Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, January 11, 2021
First Legislative Day

The Senators-elect of the 156th General Assembly of Georgia for the years 2021-2022 met pursuant to law in regular session in the Senate Chamber at 10:00 a.m. this day, and were called to order by Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan, President of the Senate.

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 28, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator Zahra Karinshak** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Judiciary Committee on **July 28, 2020.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 28, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator P.K. Martin** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Judiciary Committee on **July 28, 2020.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 28, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator John Albers** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Judiciary Committee on **July 28, 2020.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 28, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator Jen Jordan** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Judiciary Committee on **July 28, 2020.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

July 31, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to **O.C.G.A. § 31-49-2**, I hereby appoint the following member to serve on the Georgia Council on Lupus Education and Awareness. This appointment is effective immediately and shall last until **July 31, 2022,** or an appropriate replacement is

appointed.

**Sen. Tonya Anderson**
District 43
319-A CLOB
Atlanta, GA 30334

Please call on me or Collins Udekigbo if you have any questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

The following communications from His Excellency, Governor Brian P. Kemp, were received by the Secretary:

STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ATLANTA 30334-0900

Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

August 5, 2020

The Honorable David Ralston
Speaker of the Georgia House
of Representatives
332 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Speaker Ralston:

I have vetoed House Bills 935 and 991, which passed the General Assembly during the 2020 Regular Session. I have also included a signing statement on House Bill 105 with my veto messages.

Article III, Section V, Paragraph XIII of the Georgia Constitution requires that I transmit these bills to you together with the reasons for such vetoes. These bills and corresponding reasons for the vetoes are attached.

Sincerely,
/s/ Brian P. Kemp

STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ATLANTA 30334-0900

Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

August 5, 2020

The Honorable Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate
240 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

The Honorable Butch Miller
President Pro Tempore
321 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Lieutenant Governor Duncan and Senator Miller:

I have vetoed Senate Bills 306 and 504 which passed the General Assembly during the 2020 Regular Session.

Article III, Section V, Paragraph XIII of the Georgia Constitution requires that I transmit these bills to you together with the reason for such vetoes. These bills and corresponding reasons for the vetoes are attached.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brian P. Kemp

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## Governor Brian P. Kemp
## 2020 Session of the Georgia General Assembly
## Veto Messages & Signing Statements

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**Veto 1**

**House Bill 935** would create the Recorder's Court of Gwinnett County. At the request of the bill's sponsor, **I VETO HOUSE BILL 935.**

**Veto 2**

**House Bill 991** creates the Healthcare Transparency and Accountability Oversight Committee which would "have the authority to review the performance and conduct of all state healthcare plan contractors and their subcontractors." The Committee would be comprised of nine members: one physician, one pharmacist, and one consumer member who is a member of the State Health Benefit Plan. The other six members would be members of the General Assembly, with two appointments by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker respectively. The Committee would be vested with the authority to request and review records relating to state healthcare plan contractors and their subcontractors, submit written questions and compel responses from the Department of Community Health and other entities, prepare recommendations on contracting, prepare recommendations on legislative initiatives, retain third-party consultants, and request an audit of any contractor or subcontractor with the Department of Audits and Accounts. The bill would further require contractors and subcontractors to make their records available to the Committee within thirty days of the request and provide an annual report to the Committee for reports and statements relative to their performance of the state contract.

The Georgia Constitution provides that "[t]he legislative, judicial, and executive powers shall forever remain separate and distinct; and no person discharging the duties of one shall at the same time exercise the functions of either of the others except as herein provided." GA. CONST. art. I, § 2, ¶ III. Further, Code Section 16-10-9 makes it unlawful for members of the General Assembly to hold office "… in the executive branch of the state government or any agency thereof…" O.C.G.A. § 16-10-9(a)(1). A violation of such law is punishable as a misdemeanor. O.C.G.A. § 16-10-9(b).

As the Georgia Supreme Court has warned, the doctrine of the separation of powers "is the means by which 'democracy undertakes to preserve the liberties of the people from excessive concentrations of authority.'" Galer v. Bd. of Regents of the Univ. Sys., 239 Ga. 268, 270 (1977) (quoting United Public Workers v. Mitchell, 330 U.S. 75 at 91 (1947)). Despite the bill enumerating that "[n]othing in this Code section shall be construed to enable the oversight committee to act on its own to, or otherwise prevent the department or any other state agency from, entering into, renewing, or terminating a contract with a contractor for a state healthcare plan," 2020 Ga. H.B. 991 at 75-78, this statement is largely pretextual. Two-thirds of the proposed committee's members would be members of the General Assembly. Further, the powers prescribed to the proposed committee largely supplant the planning, policymaking, and oversight powers exercised by the Board of Public Health. See O.C.G.A. § 31-2-4. Since such boards are considered creatures of the executive branch of state government, it is possible that service by members of the General Assembly on the Healthcare Transparency and Accountability Oversight Committee could violate the separation of powers. See Murphy et al. v. Georgia, 233 Ga. 681 (1975); Dep't of Transp. v. Atlanta, 260 Ga. 699 (1990); Albany Surgical, P.C. v. Dep't of Cmty. Health, 257 Ga. App. 636 (2002) (discussing the Department of Community Health as an executive branch agency of state government); see also O.C.G.A. § 50-4-1, et seq.

Therefore, to ensure that members appointed to the Healthcare Transparency and Accountability Oversight Committee do not violate the separation of powers as delineated by the Constitution and laws of this state, **I VETO HOUSE BILL 991.**

**Veto 3**

**Senate Bill 306** would enact the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact (hereinafter, the "Compact") in Georgia and in doing so, would enter Georgia into the Compact. This legislation would also grant the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology the power to conduct fingerprint-based national background checks and add a new requirement for speech-language pathologist or audiologist licensure that applicants must receive satisfactory results from a fingerprint record check conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In 1986, the Georgia General Assembly established the Georgia Occupational Regulation Review Council (hereinafter, "GORRC") to weigh the necessity of new and ongoing occupational regulation by the State. Under Georgia law, GORRC must consider the following factors if the State is considering new occupational regulation: (i) whether the unregulated practice of an occupation may harm or endanger the health, safety, and welfare of citizens of this state and whether the potential for harm is recognizable and not remote; (ii) whether the practice of the occupation requires specialized skill or training and whether the public needs and will benefit by assurances of initial and continuing occupational ability; (iii) whether the citizens of this state are or may be effectively protected by other means; (iv) whether the overall cost effectiveness and economic impact would be positive for citizens of this state; and (v) whether there are means other than state regulation to protect the interests of the state. GORRC was created to protect the citizens of Georgia by reviewing state regulation and determining whether government regulation positively impacts our citizens. This legislation did not receive statutorily mandated review and approval through GORRC. See O.C.G.A. § 43-1A-1, et seq. The Compact will also only come into effect on the date when the Compact statute is enacted into law in the tenth member state. If Georgia were to enact this legislation now, it would be the sixth member state, and no other states have legislation pending to join the Compact this year. Further, this legislation received no fiscal analysis to determine the costs associated with the additional licensure requirement or Georgia's entrance into and participation in the Compact.

**For the foregoing reasons, I VETO SENATE BILL 306.**

**Veto 4**

**Senate Bill 504** would create a nonbinding advisory referendum for the purpose of ascertaining whether the electors of Glynn County desire the Glynn County Board of Commissioners to abolish the Glynn County Police Department. Senate Bill 509, which I signed, creates a similar, binding ballot referendum to be held on the same date for the same jurisdiction. If approved, the binding referendum in Senate Bill 509 would

automatically abolish the Glynn County Police Department and transfer the functions and assets of the department to the Sheriff of Glynn County. Because the presence of two similar ballot questions could lead to voter confusion**, I VETO SENATE BILL 504.**

**Statement on House Bill 105:**

In the aftermath of Hurricane Michael from 2018, Georgians continue to suffer from the storm's widespread devastation, which caused generational damage to the agriculture industry and catastrophic harm for farm families. Although the inflicted damage remains substantial, federal relief has begun to arrive, offering a desperately needed reprieve and new opportunities to rebuild for those in need.

Acting on the pleas of our constituents, the Georgia General Assembly recently passed House Bill 105 to create a tax exemption for income received as payments from a federal disaster relief or assistance grant program administered by this state or the U.S. Department of Agriculture for agricultural losses due to the hurricane. This legislation was a top priority for House leadership and, as a result, became a vehicle for additional, tax-related subject matter, including an excise tax for for-hire ground transport service providers and a narrowed scope of appropriation authority for specific tax proceeds in the State of Georgia.

Following sine die of the legislative session, legitimate questions arose as to whether this legislation ultimately passed both chambers of the General Assembly. The Georgia Constitution requires that a bill receive a majority of votes in each chamber to receive final passage. See GA.CONST. art. 3, § 5, ¶ V. When House Bill 105 was amended, it appears an incorrect legislative counsel number (i.e., tracking number) was assigned to the draft. Whereas this error is not necessarily a fatal flaw, this bill is far too important to our state to leave room for a legal challenge on its legitimacy.

Although I will sign House Bill 105 today, I do so with serious concern that if the bill is ever challenged, the measure may not withstand judicial scrutiny, resulting in the unraveling of the tax structures it created. Our farmers, especially, cannot afford further economic hardship.

In the coming weeks, I will issue a proclamation calling for a special session of the General Assembly to pass the Hurricane Michael tax exemption and other relevant portions of House Bill 105 again to ensure our farm families are protected. Such special session may also be timely to address other budgetary and oversight issues.

**For the foregoing reasons, I SIGN HOUSE BILL 105.**

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

August 5, 2020

Ms. Jennifer Williams
Legislative Fiscal Officer
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Jennifer:

Pursuant to **Senate Resolution 470**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Senate Study Committee on Music Workforce Development**. The following appointments are effective immediately and shall last until **December 31, 2020**.

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|---|---|---|
| Senator Jeff Mullis – **Chair** | Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Butch Miller |
| 453 State Capitol | 121 State Capitol | 321 State Capitol |
| Senator David Lucas | Senator Tyler Harper | Senator Freddie Powell-Sims |
| 110 State Capitol | 301-B CLOB | 110 State Capitol |

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

August 10, 2020

Ms. Jennifer Williams
Legislative Fiscal Officer
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Jennifer:

Pursuant to **Senate Resolution 981**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Senate Study Committee on Surgical Smoke Evacuation Systems**. The following appointments are effective immediately and shall last until **December 1, 2020**.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Senator Gloria Butler - **Chair**<br>420-C State Capitol | Senator Chuck Hufstetler<br>121 State Capitol | Senator Marty Harbin<br>302-A CLOB |
| Senator Nan Orrock<br>421-B State Capitol | Senator Sheikh Rahman<br>323-B CLOB | |

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

August 13, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to **O.C.G.A. § 48-8-251**, I hereby appoint the following member to serve on the

**Citizens Review Panel for the River Valley Regional Commission**. This appointment is effective immediately and shall last until a replacement is appointed.

**Katherine Carlisle**
232 Hamilton Square Street
P.O. Box 524
Hamilton, GA 31811
706-681-6561

Please call on me or Collins Udekigbo if you have any questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

August 14, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear David:

Pursuant to **Senate Resolution 1007**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Senate Law Enforcement Reform Study Committee**. The following appointments are effective immediately and shall last until **December 15, 2020**.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Senator Bill Cowsert – **Chair**<br>121 State Capitol | Senator Jesse Stone<br>325-A CLOB | Senator John Albers<br>421 State Capitol |
| Senator Harold Jones<br>323-A CLOB | Senator Gail Davenport<br>432 State Capitol | Senator Randy Robertson<br>*Ex-Officio*<br>305-A CLOB |

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

August 17, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear David:

Pursuant to **Senate Resolution 1024**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Senate COAM Study Committee**. The following appointments are effective immediately and shall last until **December 1, 2020**.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Senator John F. Kennedy – **Chair**<br>421 State Capitol | Senator Brandon Beach<br>303-A CLOB | Senator Larry Walker<br>421 State Capitol |
| Senator Brian Strickland<br>109 State Capitol | Senator Ed Harbison<br>431 State Capitol | Gretchen Corbin<br>Georgia Lottery |
| Nick Damani<br>Ultra | John F. Douglas<br>COAM License Holder | Dhaval “Bunty” Doshi<br>United Gaming |
| Jamie Boyden<br>Lucky Bucks | Chuck Brooks<br>Epic Amusement<br>*Ex-Officio* | |

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

August 18, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

Pursuant to **Senate Resolution 1035**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Senate Educating Adult Students Study Committee**. The following appointments are effective immediately and shall last until **December 1, 2020**.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Senator P.K. Martin - **Chair**<br>324-B CLOB | Senator Lindsey Tippins<br>121 State Capitol | Senator Lester Jackson<br>110 State Capitol |
| Senator Tonya Anderson<br>319-A CLOB | Kerry Pritchard<br>Georgia Board of Education | Commissioner Greg Dozier<br>Technical College System of GA |

Lauren Holcomb
State Charter Schools Commission

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**JOHN K. WILKINSON**
District 50
PO Box 2227
Toccoa, Georgia 30577

421-A State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
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The State Senate
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

**COMMITTEES:**

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs, Chairman
Education and Youth, Vice-Chairman
Appropriations
Natural Resources and the Environment
Rules, Ex-Officio

August 24, 2020

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 Capitol Building
Atlanta GA 30334

Re: Appointments to State Commissions

Dear Mr. Cook:

I am writing to confirm that, pursuant to statute, the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs duly appointed the following individuals to the following Commissions:

**Georgia Seed Development Commission**

- Mr. Jimmy Clements

**Georgia Agriculture Commodity Commission**

- Mr. Buddy Leger

The appointments were made on June 16, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ John Wilkinson
Sen. John Wilkinson (50th), Chairman

The following communication was transmitted by the Secretary

**SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA**
**NATHAN DEAL JUDICIAL CENTER**
**330 CAPITOL AVENUE S.E.**
**ATLANTA, GA 30334**

Mr. David A Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

I, Michael P. Boggs, Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, do hereby certify by my signature below that on August 28, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., at the Dublin-Laurens Welcome Center, 102 Travel Center Boulevard, Dublin, Georgia, I administered the following Oath of Office to Senator-Elect William R. (Billy) Hickman, Jr. of Bulloch County, Georgia, to fill the unexpired term in Senate District 4:

"I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of this state and of the United States and, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will so conduct myself as will, in my judgment, be most conducive to the interests and prosperity of this state.

I further swear or affirm that I am not the holder of any unaccounted for public money due this state, or due any political subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, of any other state, or any foreign state, which by law I am prohibited from holding; that I have been a resident of my district for the time required by the Constitution and the laws of this state; that I am otherwise qualified to hold said office according to the Constitution and laws of Georgia.

So help me God."

SIGNED: Michael P. Boggs
DATED: August 28th, 2020

OFFICIAL OATH OF GEORGIA STATE SENATOR
SENATOR WILLIAM R. "BILLY" HICKMAN
SENATE DISTRICT 4

I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of this state and of the United States and, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will so conduct myself as will, in my judgment, be most conducive to the interests and

prosperity of this state.

I further swear or affirm that I am not the holder of any unaccounted for public money due this state, or due any political subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, of any other state, or any foreign state, which by law I am prohibited from holding; that I have been a resident of my district for the time required by the Constitution and the laws of this state; that I am otherwise qualified to hold said office according to the Constitution and laws of Georgia.

So help me God.

This 28th day of August, 2020

/s/ William R. Hickman
HON. WILLIAM R. (BILLY) HICKMAN
GEORGIA SENATE

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

September 1, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to **House Resolution 935**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Georgia Commission on Freight and Logistics**. The following appointments are effective immediately and shall last until **December 31, 2020**.

| | |
|---|---|
| Sen. Brandon Beach – **Co-chair** | George Powers |
| Sen. Steve Gooch | Stephanie Smith |
| Sen. Burt Jones | Atlanta City Council President, Felicia Moore |
| Rebecca Brewster | Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker, Jr. |

Please call on me or John Porter if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

November 18, 2020

The Honorable David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
352 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Re: Notification of the 2021-22 Senate Democratic Party Leadership Election Outcome

Dear Secretary Cook:

Please be advised, in accordance with the 2018 Senate Democratic Bylaws, on Monday, November 16, 2020, the Senate Democratic Caucus met and held their caucus leadership elections for the 2021-22 Legislative Session which yielded the following outcome:

| | |
|---|---|
| Senate Democratic Caucus Leader: | Sen. Gloria Butler, 55th |
| Senate Democratic Caucus Chair: | Sen. Elena Parent, 42nd |
| Senate Democratic Caucus Whip: | Sen. Harold Jones, 22nd |
| Senate Democratic Caucus Vice Chair: | Sen. Lester Jackson, 2nd |
| Senate Democratic Caucus Vice Chair for Campaigns and Fundraising: | Sen. Jen Jordan, 6th |
| Senate Democratic Caucus Secretary: | Sen. Nan Orrock, 36th |

Please contact my office at 404.656.0075 if any further information is needed.

Thank you,

/s/ Gloria Butler
Senate District 55

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

November 30, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to Senate Resolution 7, and in response to a request by the Study Committee Chairman, I hereby extend the abolition date of the Study Committee on Surgical Smoke Evacuation Systems (SR 981) to December 11, 2020 to allow for finalization of committee work.

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this extension.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

November 30, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to Senate Resolution 7, and in response to a request by the Study Committee Chairman, I hereby extend the abolition date of the Coin Operated Amusement Machine Study Committee (SR 1024) to December 31, 2020 to allow for finalization of committee work.

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this extension.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

December 1, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to Senate Resolution 7, and in response to a request by the Study Committee Chairman, I hereby extend the abolition date of the Study Committee on Surgical Smoke Evacuation Systems (SR 981) to December 31, 2020 to allow for finalization of committee work.

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this extension.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

December 15, 2020

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to Senate Resolution 7, and in response to a request by the Study Committee Chairman, I hereby extend the abolition date of the Study Committee on Law Enforcement Reform (SR 1007) to December 31, 2020.

Please call on me or Macy McFall if you have questions regarding this extension. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**JOHN F. KENNEDY**
District 18
**421 State Capitol**
**Atlanta, Georgia 30334**
**Phone:** (404) 656-0045

**E-mail:** John.Kennedy@senate.ga.gov

**Georgia State Senate**
*Majority Caucus Chairman*

**COMMITTEES:**

**Banking and Financial Institutions,** *Vice-Chairman*
**Appropriations**
**Judiciary**
**Regulated Industries and Utilities**
**Rules,** *Ex-officio*
**Health and Human Services,** *Ex-officio*

December 23, 2020

Secretary David Cook
Georgia State Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

As Chairman of the Senate Majority Caucus, I am providing you with the results of the November 20, 2020 Caucus Elections.

- Senator Butch Miller will be nominated by the Caucus for President Pro Tempore;
- Senator Mike Dugan was nominated and by acclamation elected Senate Majority Leader;
- Senator Steve Gooch was nominated and by acclamation elected Senate Majority Whip;
- Senator John F. Kennedy was nominated and by acclamation elected Senate Majority Caucus Chairman;
- Senator Larry Walker was nominated and by acclamation elected Majority Caucus Vice Chairman; and
- Senator Dean Burke was elected Majority Caucus Secretary.

Please let me know if you need anything further from our office. I, and our leadership team, look forward to continuing to work with you. Thank you for all you do.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John F. Kennedy
John F. Kennedy
District 18 Senator

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 4, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

As the Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, and in accordance with Senate

Rules, I hereby re-appoint **Senator Bill Cowsert** to serve as a member on the Committee on Assignments.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 4, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

As the Chairman of the Committee on Assignments, and in accordance with Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator Larry Walker** to serve as a member on the Committee on Assignments. This appointment is effective as of January 1, 2021.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan introduced the chaplain of the day, Mr. Thomas Shipman of Canton, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following communication from the Honorable Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State, certifying the Senators-elect in the General Election of 2020 was received and read by the Secretary:

# THE STATE OF GEORGIA
## OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

I, Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify that attached are the results as shown on the consolidated returns from the General Election for the offices of State Senate, Districts 1 through 56 held on the 3rd day of November 2020; all as the same appear on file and record of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office, at the Capitol, in the City of Atlanta, this 20th day of November, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fifth.

(Seal)

/s/ **Brad Raffensperger**
**Secretary of State**

| Seat | Elected Official |
|---|---|
| District 01 | BEN WATSON |
| District 02 | LESTER G. JACKSON III |
| District 03 | SHEILA MCNEILL |
| District 04 | BILLY HICKMAN |
| District 05 | SHEIKH RAHMAN |
| District 06 | JEN JORDAN |
| District 07 | TYLER HARPER |
| District 08 | RUSS GOODMAN |
| District 09 | NIKKI MERRITT |
| District 10 | EMANUEL JONES |
| District 11 | DEAN BURKE |
| District 12 | FREDDIE POWELL SIMS |
| District 13 | CARDEN SUMMERS |
| District 14 | BRUCE THOMPSON |
| District 15 | ED HARBISON |
| District 16 | MARTY HARBIN |
| District 17 | BRIAN STRICKLAND |
| District 18 | JOHN F. KENNEDY |
| District 19 | BLAKE TILLERY |
| District 20 | LARRY WALKER III |
| District 21 | BRANDON BEACH |
| District 22 | HAROLD V. JONES II |
| District 23 | MAX BURNS |
| District 24 | LEE ANDERSON |
| District 25 | BURT JONES |

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|---|---|
| District 26 | DAVID E. LUCAS, SR. |
| District 27 | GREG DOLEZAL |
| District 28 | MATT BRASS |
| District 29 | RANDY ROBERTSON |
| District 30 | MICHAEL DUGAN |
| District 31 | JASON ANAVITARTE |
| District 32 | KAY KIRKPATRICK |
| District 33 | MICHAEL RHETT |
| District 34 | VALENCIA SEAY |
| District 35 | DONZELLA JAMES |
| District 36 | NAN ORROCK |
| District 37 | LINDSEY TIPPINS |
| District 38 | HORACENA TATE |
| District 40 | SALLY HARRELL |
| District 41 | KIM JACKSON |
| District 42 | ELENA PARENT |
| District 43 | TONYA P. ANDERSON |
| District 44 | GAIL DAVENPORT |
| District 45 | CLINT DIXON |
| District 46 | BILL COWSERT |
| District 47 | FRANK GINN |
| District 48 | MICHELLE AU |
| District 49 | CECIL T. “BUTCH” MILLER |
| District 50 | BO HATCHETT |
| District 51 | STEVE GOOCH |
| District 52 | CHUCK HUFSTETLER |
| District 53 | JEFF MULLIS |
| District 54 | CHUCK PAYNE |
| District 55 | GLORIA S. BUTLER |
| District 56 | JOHN ALBERS |

The following communication from the Honorable Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State, certifying the Senators-elect in the Special Election Runoffs of 2020 was received and read by the Secretary:

# THE STATE OF GEORGIA

**OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE**

## I, Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify that

the attached 1 page lists the results as shown on the consolidated returns on file in this office for the Special Election Runoff held on December 1, 2020, in District 39 for State Senate in Fulton County.

Having received the majority of votes cast, Sonya Halpern was duly elected to this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of my office, at the Capitol, in the City of Atlanta, this 16th day of December, in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Forty-Fifth.

(Seal)

/s/ **Brad Raffensperger**
**Brad Raffensperger, Secretary of State**

The President introduced Justice Charles Bethel, who administered the oaths of office to all Senators-elect as confirmed by the following communication:

**SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA**
**NATHAN DEAL JUDICIAL CENTER**
**330 CAPITOL AVENUE S.E.**
**AVENUE, GA 30334**

Mr. David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

I, Charles J. Bethel, Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, do hereby certify by my signature below that I have this date, January 11, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., in the Senate Chamber, Fulton County, Atlanta, Georgia, administered the following Oath of Office to the Senators-Elect of the Georgia Senate for the 2021 -- 2022 term:

"I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of this state and of the United States and, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will so conduct myself as will, in my judgment, be most conducive to the interests and prosperity of this state.

I further swear or affirm that I am not the holder of any unaccounted for public money due this state, or due any political subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, of any other state, or any foreign state, which by law I am prohibited from holding; that I have been a resident of my

district for the time required by the Constitution and the laws of this state; that I am otherwise qualified to hold said office according to the Constitution and laws of Georgia.

So help me God."

SIGNED: Charles J. Bethel
Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia
DATED: January 11, 2021

The President introduced the newly elected Senators to the Senate. The Senators were seated by the Senate without objection.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Albers | Halpern | McNeill |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Miller |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Mullis |
| Au | Harrell | Orrock |
| Beach | Hatchett | Parent |
| Brass | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Cowsert | James | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dugan | Jordan | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Goodman | Lucas | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

Payne (Excused) Tate (Excused)

The President announced the next order of business was the election of the President Pro Tempore.

Senator Dugan of the 30th nominated Senator Miller of the 49th as President Pro Tempore.

Senator Butler of the 55th seconded the nomination.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the nominations be closed and the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the entire body for Senator Butch Miller; the consent was granted.

There was no objection and Senator Miller of the 49th was elected President Pro Tempore.

The President appointed Senators Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th, and Harbison of the 15th to escort Miller of the 49th to the Rostrum of the Senate, where he addressed the Senate briefly.

The President announced the next order of business was the election of the Secretary of the Senate.

Senator Gooch of the 51st nominated the Honorable David Cook as Secretary of the Senate. Senator Jones II of the 22nd seconded the nomination.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the nominations be closed and that the Deputy Secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the entire body for Honorable David Cook.

The consent was granted, and the Honorable David Cook was declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate.

The doorkeeper escorted Secretary Cook to the rostrum.

The President administered the following oath of office to David Cook, Secretary of the Senate:

"I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will discharge my duties faithfully and to the best of my skill and knowledge. So help me God."

The Secretary addressed the Senate briefly.

The President announced the next order of business was the election of the Sergeant at Arms of the Senate.

Senator Albers of the 56th nominated Mr. Jerry Cooley as Sergeant at Arms of the Senate. Senator Anderson of the 43rd seconded the nomination.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the nominations be closed and the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote of the entire body for Mr. Jerry Cooley as Sergeant at Arms of the Senate. The consent was granted, and Mr. Cooley was declared duly elected Sergeant at Arms of the Senate.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

SR 1. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate has convened; and for other purposes.

On the adoption of the resolution, there was no objection, and the resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

SR 2. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION to notify the Governor that the General Assembly has convened; and for other purposes.

On the adoption of the resolution, there was no objection, and the resolution was adopted.

The President appointed as a Committee of Notification on the part of the Senate the following Senators: Miller of the 49th, Harbison of the 15th, Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th, Goodman of the 8th, Dixon of the 45th, and Hatchett of the 50th.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the following resolution be engrossed:

SR 3. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION

Adopting the Rules of the Senate; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the Rules of the Senate in effect at the adjournment of the 2020 Regular Session of the General Assembly are hereby adopted as the Rules of the Senate for the 2021-2022 biennium of the General Assembly unless and until otherwise provided by resolution of the Senate, with the following amendments:

**SECTION 1.**

The Rules of the Senate are amended by revising Rule 2-1.10 as follows:

"**2-1.10 Rules Committee; Calendar; Special Rules**

(a) The Committee on Rules shall arrange and fix the calendar for each day's business ~~for the last 35 days~~ after the fifth (5th) legislative day of each regular session of the General Assembly. The committee shall post the calendar as soon as practicable following the setting of the calendar.

(b) The Committee on Rules may refer any bill or resolution on the General Calendar back to the committee which has reported out such bill or resolution or to any other committee selected by the Committee on Rules.

(c) ~~During the last five (5) legislative days~~ After the thirty-fifth (35th) legislative day, the Committee on Rules may recommend that any bill or resolution on the General Calendar be amended or substituted prior to placing the bill on the Rules Calendar. Any such substitute shall be considered and agreed to or rejected prior to the consideration of a substitute reported by any other committee."

**SECTION 2.**

Said rules are further amended by revising Rule 2-8.4 as follows:

"**2-8.4 Time Limit; Discharge; Appointment of New Members**

After a Committee of Conference has been in existence for five (5) days and has failed to make a report to the Senate on the question under consideration, the Senate, on motion and by a majority vote of all members elected to the Senate, may discharge the Senate conferees and new conferees shall be appointed as provided in Rule 2-8.1, instruct said Senate conferees, or make any other motion not contrary to the Rules of the Senate; provided that, ~~during the last five (5) days of the session~~ after the thirty-fifth (35th) legislative day, the above motions may be made and passed at any time, but not more often than every twenty-four hours."

**SECTION 3.**

Said rules are further amended by revising subsection (c) of Rule 3-1.2 as follows:

"(c) No general House bill or resolution, having the effect of law shall be accepted by the Secretary of the Senate for first reading and referral to committee after a day agreed upon by the Senate and the House of Representatives which shall not be ~~earlier~~ later than the ~~twenty-fifth (25th)~~ twenty-seventh (27th) day of any regular session, which shall be known as the crossover day. If no agreement can be reached by the Senate and the House of Representatives by the twenty-fifth (25th) legislative day, the crossover day shall be the twenty-seventh (27th) legislative day. Referral of House legislation received on the crossover day may be made during the Order of Business of First Reading and Reference of House Bills and Resolutions on the next legislative day following such crossover day. The provisions of this paragraph shall in no case be suspended except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members to which the Senate is entitled; provided that this rule may be suspended by a majority vote on general and supplemental appropriations bills."

**SECTION 4.**

Said rules are further amended by revising subsection (b) of Rule 3-3.1 as follows:

"(b) Rule 3-3.1 may be suspended by a majority vote of the Senate ~~during the last ten (10) days of the session~~ after the thirty-fifth (35th) legislative day."

**SECTION 5.**

Said rules are further amended by revising subsection (a) of Rule 4-2.8 as follows:

"(a) All local bills on the Local Consent Calendar, which must be placed on each Senator's desk no less than one hour before the time of convening, shall be put to the Senate for a vote on the electronic roll call system as a group at the time provided in the order of business, and the question shall be whether all bills on the Local Consent Calendar shall pass. The "one hour before convening" provision of this Rule shall not apply to a Supplemental Local Calendar ~~during the last three days of a regular session~~ after the thirty-seventh (37th) legislative day."

**SECTION 6.**

Said rules are further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Rule 4-2.9 as follows:

"(a) All bills and resolutions shall be called in the order in which they appear on the Rules Calendar. On the days on which there is no Rules Calendar, bills shall be called in numerical order. No general Senate bill or resolution having the effect of law shall be read the third time and put upon its passage or adoption after the crossover day of any regular session. No general House bill or resolution having the effect of law shall be read the third time and put upon its passage or adoption after the thirty-ninth (39th) legislative day of any regular session except that this prohibition shall not apply to a bill or resolution which was laid on the table on the thirty-ninth (39th) legislative day. The provisions of this paragraph shall in no case be suspended except by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members to which the Senate is entitled.

(b) The Committee on Rules shall arrange and fix the calendar for each day's business ~~for the last thirty-five (35) days~~ after the fifth (5th) legislative day of each regular session of the General Assembly. Such calendar shall be a standing and continuing special order during said period. No matter shall be taken up or acted on otherwise than in the order and manner fixed by such calendar, except by a three-fourths vote of those voting, provided such three-fourths constitutes a majority of the members elected to the Senate. This Rule may not be suspended by a two-thirds vote of the Senate."

**SECTION 7.**

Said rules are further amended by revising Rule 4-2.13 as follows:

"**4-2.13 Transmittal to the House**

No bill or resolution shall be transmitted to the House on the day of passage thereof unless two-thirds of the Senators voting, provided the total vote constitutes a quorum, shall so order.~~;~~ ~~Provided, during the last three legislative days~~ provided, however, that, after the thirty-seventh (37th) legislative day of any regular session, any bill, resolution, or other matter which requires action by the House shall be immediately transmitted to the House by the Secretary of the Senate. The Secretary shall also immediately

transmit Senate bills and resolutions requiring House action on the ~~twenty-eighth (28th)legislative~~ crossover day after any notice to reconsider is disposed of."

**SECTION 8.**

Said rules are further amended by revising subsection (c) of Rule 6-7.1, relating to timing and notice of reconsideration, as follows:

"(c) A notice of motion to reconsider a bill or resolution shall take precedence over a motion to transmit and shall have the effect of defeating the motion to transmit; except on the crossover day and ~~during the last three (3) days~~ on legislative days thirty-eight (38) through forty (40) of any regular session, a Senator must give notice immediately of his or her intention to move to reconsider, and the President or the designee of the President shall set a time during the day when the motion will be entertained, so stating the time to the Senate; the time shall be at the discretion of the President or the designee of the President, but not less than ten minutes. If the Senate is considering any other business at the time the motion to reconsider has been set to be entertained, the motion will be taken up upon conclusion of that business."

**SECTION 9.**

Said rules are further amended by revising Rule 6-7.5 as follows:

"**6-7.5 Effect of Motion; Return to General Calendar**

All bills and resolutions reconsidered shall take their place at the foot of the calendar of bills then in order for a third reading; however, ~~during the last thirty-five (35) legislative days~~ after the fifth (5th) legislative day of each session, a reconsidered bill or resolution which was passed or adopted shall take its place at the foot of the Rules Calendar, and a reconsidered bill or resolution which was defeated shall be placed on the General Calendar."

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion to engross, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | N James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | E Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 21; the motion prevailed, and SR 3 was engrossed.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

SR 3. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION adopting the Rules of the Senate; and for other purposes.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | Y James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | E Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 52, nays 1, and the resolution was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th was recognized for the purpose of making a series of unanimous consent requests, giving the following address:

"Mr. President, as we all know, the COVID-19 virus is still with us. In order to allow the Senate to move forward in a safe and effective manner, I have several unanimous consent requests that would suspend the rules or otherwise change the operations of the Senate until such time as the President of the Senate reports to the Senate these precautions are no longer needed."

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend that portion of Senate Rule 5-1.5 (a) which requires that the electronic voting machine be set for a 60 second time period and locks when that time period is reached. In lieu of that rule, the voting machine would be left open for a period of time sufficient to allow Senators to make their way to the Senate floor and cast their vote on the electronic voting machine while maintaining social distancing. The period of time to vote would be left to the discretion of the President who would close the vote when he has assured himself that all members wishing to vote have voted.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 8-1.1 which requires Senators to seek recognition from their desk. In addition to seeking recognition from their desk, Senators could seek recognition from the back of the chamber in order to allow for social distancing. Senators would continue to ask questions from their desk and speak from the well.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 9-1.9 related to the press gallery on the Senate floor so as to move the Senate press gallery to the Senate gallery in order to ensure appropriate social distancing. It would be within the discretion of the President to allow a limited number of members of the press on the Senate floor for a limited period of time while maintaining appropriate social distancing.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend those portions of Senate Rules 9-1.16 and 9-1.9 related to the Senate Gallery so as to close the Senate Gallery to the public and reserve the Gallery for the press and media so that the press and media could operate in an environment that maintains appropriate social distancing. Tripods and cameras would be permitted in the Gallery. Senator Dugan of the 30th stressed that the public would continue to be able to watch sessions of the Senate on closed circuit television in the Capitol as well as on the internet.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to reduce the space normally available to the press and the public so that Senators are able to attend meetings in committee rooms with appropriate social distancing. All committee meetings would be open to the press and public with appropriate social distancing as space permits. The Senate would continue to broadcast committee meetings as usual on closed circuit television in the Capitol and on the internet.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rules 2-3.3 (a) & (b) which requires members to attend all committee meetings.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 9-1.8 which authorizes the Senate Page Program.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 9-1.10 which permits spouses or family on the floor of the Senate unless authorized by the President.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

The time having arrived for the motion, Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the following resolution be engrossed:

SR 4. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION relative to officials, employees, and committees in the Senate; and for other purposes.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion to engross, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | N James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | E Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 21; the motion prevailed, and SR 4 was engrossed.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

SR 4. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION relative to officials, employees, and committees in the Senate; and for other purposes.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | Y James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | E Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 53, nays 0, and the resolution was adopted.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Brett Cannon, M.D.

The following communications were transmitted by the Secretary:

Office of Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

David A. Cook (404) 656-5040
Secretary of the Senate Fax (404) 656-5043

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Members of the Senate

**From:** David Cook

**Date:** January 11, 2021

**Re:** Judicial qualifications commission appointments for confirmation

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Georgia law provides for Senate confirmation of appointments to the Judicial Qualifications Commission. Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-3.1, I am notifying the Senate that the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Supreme Court of Georgia have timely submitted to the Senate the names of their appointments for confirmation. The appointees for confirmation are:

- Mr. James Balli appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- Hon. Robert McBurney appointed by the Supreme Court of Georgia.

The letters requesting confirmation of the appointees are attached.

Pursuant to Senate rules, these appointments will be referred to the Committee on Assignments today. The Committee on Assignments will, in due course, report its recommendations on the appointments to the Senate for consideration.

*House of Representatives*

**DAVID RALSTON**
**SPEAKER**
**332 STATE CAPITOL**
**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334**
**(404) 656-5020**
**(404) 656-5644 (FAX)**

July 7, 2020

**BY HAND DELIVERY**

David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

I have included my letter reappointing Mr. James Balli to the Judicial Qualifications Commission as an attorney member of the Investigative Panel effective July 7, 2020, to serve a four year term ending June 30, 2024. I respectfully request that the Senate confirm Mr. Balli's appointment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at 404.656.5020 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Ralston
David Ralston, Speaker
Georgia House of Representatives

*House of Representatives*

**DAVID RALSTON**
**SPEAKER**
**332 STATE CAPITOL**
**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334**
**(404) 656-5020**
**(404) 656-5644 (FAX)**

July 7, 2020

Ms. Jennifer Williams
Legislative Fiscal Officer
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Jennifer,

Pursuant to O. C. G. A. 15-1-21, I am reappointing Mr. James Balli, effective July 7, 2020, as an attorney member of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, to serve four years, ending June 30, 2024.

Mr. Balli's contact information is 404.975.8176.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Sincerely,

/s/ David Ralston
David Ralston, Speaker
Georgia House of Representatives

Supreme Court
State of Georgia
NATHAN DEAL JUDICIAL CENTER
Atlanta 30334

June 29, 2020

**BY HAND DELIVERY**
David A. Cook, Secretary of the Senate
Secretary of the Senate's Office
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook,

I write at the request of Presiding Justice David E. Nahmias to provide you with a certified copy of the order issued by the Supreme Court of Georgia re-appointing the Honorable Robert C. I. McBurney, Judge of the Superior Court of the Atlanta Circuit, as the judge member of the Hearing Panel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission. The appointment is effective July 1, 2020 for a four-year term ending June 30, 2024. The Court respectfully requests that the Senate confirm Judge McBurney's appointment at its next regular session.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

/s/ Therese S. Barnes
Therese S. Barnes, Clerk

## SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA

**FILED**
Administrative Minutes
Atlanta June 29, 2020
Thérèse S. Barnes
Clerk/Court Executive
SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA
/s/ Thérèse S. Barnes

The Honorable Supreme Court met pursuant to adjournment.

The following order was passed:

It is ordered that the Honorable Robert C. I. McBurney, Judge of the Superior Court of the Atlanta Circuit, is hereby re-appointed by this Court as the judge member of the Hearing Panel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, effective July 1, 2020, for a four-year term ending June 30, 2024.

This appointment is made pursuant to OCGA § 15-1-21 (4) (A) (ii). The Clerk of this Court shall submit a certified copy of this order to the Senate forthwith, pursuant to OCGA § 15-1-21 (g) (1).

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA**

Clerk's Office, Atlanta

I certify that the above is a true extract from the minutes of the Supreme Court of Georgia.
Witness my signature and the seal of said court hereto affixed the day and year last above written.

/s/ Thérèse S. Barnes

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA**
CLERK'S OFFICE

**June 29, 2020**

I, Therese "Tee" Barnes, Clerk, of the Supreme Court of Georgia, do hereby certify that the appointment order, hereto attached, is a true and correct copy as appears from the records and files in this office.

Witness my signature and the seal of the said court hereto affixed the day and year first above written.

/s/ Therese S. Barnes, Clerk

The President referred the Judicial Qualifications Commission appointments to the Committee on Assignments.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolutions of the House and Senate:

HR 6. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives has convened; and for other purposes.

HR 9. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION calling a joint session of the House of Representatives and the Senate for the purpose of hearing a message from the Governor; inviting the Justices of the Supreme Court and the Judges of the Court of Appeals to be present at the joint session; and for other purposes.

HR 10. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

SR 2. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Walker III of the 20th:

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A RESOLUTION to notify the Governor that the General Assembly has convened; and for other purposes.

The Speaker has appointed as a Committee of Notification on the part of the House the following members:

Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Wiedower of the 119th, Frye of the 118th, Reeves of the 34th, Lott of the 122nd, LaRiccia of the 169th, and Bonner of the 72nd.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, January 12, 2021
Second Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication from His Excellency, Governor Brian P. Kemp, was received by the Secretary:

STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ATLANTA 30334-0900

Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

January 11, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
Georgia State Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please accept this letter as formal notification of my selection of the Honorable Clint Dixon, the Honorable Russ Goodman, and the Honorable Bo Hatchett as my Floor Leaders in the Georgia State Senate during the 2021 Session of the Georgia General Assembly. Please afford them all due rights and compensation in accordance with these positions, effective January 11, 2021.

If I can be of further service, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brian P. Kemp
Brian P. Kemp

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 1. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-53-40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to the Georgia All-Payer Claims Database, so as to provide that entities that receive certain tax credits and that provide self-funded, employer sponsored health insurance plans are submitting entities; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SR 5. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A RESOLUTION condemning the disgraceful actions of right wing violence and sedition that took place at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Dugan of the 30th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dugan was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Thompson of the 14th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Thompson was excused.

Senator Parent of the 42nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that Senator Cowsert of the 46th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Cowsert was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Jones of the 10th asked unanimous consent that Senator Seay of the 34th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Seay was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Albers | Harbin | McNeill |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Miller |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Mullis |
| Au | Hatchett | Parent |
| Beach | Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, B. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, E. | Tillery |
| Ginn | Jones, H. | Tippins |
| Gooch | Jordan | Walker |
| Goodman | Kennedy | Watson |
| Halpern | Kirkpatrick | |

Not answering were Senators:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cowsert (Excused) | Dugan (Excused) | Lucas (Excused) |
| Payne (Excused) | Seay (Excused) | Sims (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Thompson (Excused) | Butler |
| Davenport | James | Orrock |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

Senators: James of the 35th Orrock of the 36th Davenport of the 44th
Butler of the 55th

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the chaplain of the day, Mr. Eddie Staub of Flowery Branch, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

HR 9. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION calling a joint session of the House of Representatives and the Senate for the purpose of hearing a message from the Governor; inviting the Justices of the Supreme Court and the Judges of the Court of Appeals to be present at the joint session; and for other purposes.

On the adoption of the resolution, there was no objection, and the resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

House Resolution 10
By: Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

PART I

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that, except as otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly, meetings of the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly during the period of Monday, January 11, 2021, through Tuesday, January 26, 2021, shall be held in accordance with the following schedule:

Monday, January 11 ..... convene for legislative day 1
Tuesday, January 12 ..... convene for legislative day 2
Wednesday, January 13 ..... convene for legislative day 3
Thursday, January 14..... convene for legislative day 4

Tuesday, January 26 ..... convene for legislative day 5

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House of Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours for convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the Senate. Each house, upon its own adjournment for a legislative day, shall remain in a period of adjournment until it convenes for the next legislative day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on and after the latest legislative day specified above, the schedule for meetings of the 2021 regular session may be as provided by another resolution of the General Assembly adopted subsequent to the adoption of this resolution.

PART II

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, and the Governor has by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with Code Section 38-3-52, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at such temporary location or locations in accordance with Code Sections 38-3-52 and 38-3-53 on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, but the Governor has not by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with the above, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall provide for prompt notice of the same to all members of the House of Representatives and all members of the Senate, respectively, by such means as such officers deem practical and efficient; and each house shall be and remain in adjournment until convening for the next legislative day on the date certain jointly specified by such officers. Following such reconvening, the General Assembly may provide by joint resolution for a new schedule for meetings and adjournments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as to any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the adoption of this resolution by the General Assembly shall constitute the consent of both the House of Representatives and the Senate for purposes of Article III, Section IV, Paragraph I(b) of the Constitution.

On the adoption of the resolution, there was no objection, and the resolution was adopted.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 13, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, January 13, 2021
Third Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were transmitted by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator John Albers** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Public Safety (Chair)
Finance (Vice Chair)
Appropriations
Education and Youth
Regulated Industries and Utilities – Ex Officio
Rules – Ex Officio

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Jason Anavitarte** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Education and Youth (Vice Chair)
Banking and Financial Institutions
Ethics
Science and Technology
Transportation

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Lee Anderson** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

State and Local Governmental Institutions (Chair)
Agriculture and Consumer Affairs (Vice Chair)
Economic Development and Tourism – Ex Officio
Public Safety
Rules (Secretary)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Tonya Anderson** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Economic Development and Tourism
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Regulated Industries and Utilities
Special Judiciary (Secretary)
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Michelle Au** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and

shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Health and Human Services
Retirement
Science and Technology
State and Local Governmental Operations

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Brandon Beach** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Science and Technology (Vice Chair)
Appropriations
Economic Development and Tourism
Higher Education

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Matt Brass** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Banking and Financial Institutions (Chair)
Economic Development and Tourism (Vice Chair)
Education and Youth – Ex Officio
Natural Resources and the Environment – Ex Officio
Regulated Industries and Utilities (Vice Chair)
Rules

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Dean Burke** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Insurance and Labor (Chair)
Agriculture and Consumer Affairs – Ex Officio
Appropriations (Secretary)
Ethics (Vice Chair)
Health and Human Services (Vice Chair)
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Rules

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Max Burns** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Ethics (Chair)
Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
Higher Education
Special Judiciary

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Gloria Butler** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Ethics
Health and Human Services
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Regulated Industries and Utilities
Rules
State and Local Governmental Operations (Secretary)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Bill Cowsert** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Regulated Industries and Utilities (Chair)
Finance – Ex Officio
Health and Human Services
Judiciary (Vice Chair)
Reapportionment and Redistricting (Vice Chair)
Rules (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |
| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker | |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker | |
| District 46 | District 20 | |

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Gail Davenport** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Natural Resources and the Environment
Retirement
State Institutions and Property
Urban Affairs (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |
| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker | |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker | |
| District 46 | District 20 | |

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Clint Dixon** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Banking and Financial Institutions
State and Local Governmental Operations
State Institutions and Property
Transportation (Secretary)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Greg Dolezal** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Science and Technology (Chair)
Education and Youth
Government Oversight
Health and Human Services (Secretary)
Reapportionment and Redistricting

Sincerely,

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |
| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker | |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker | |
| District 46 | District 20 | |

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Mike Dugan** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and

shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Ethics
Government Oversight
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Rules
Transportation

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Frank Ginn** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Transportation (Chair)
Appropriations
Economic Development and Tourism
Natural Resources and the Environment – Ex Officio
Regulated Industries and Utilities

Sincerely,

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| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |

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| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker |
| District 46 | District 20 |

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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Steve Gooch** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations (Vice Chair)
Ethics
Finance
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Regulated Industries and Utilities
Rules – Ex Officio
Transportation (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

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| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Russ Goodman** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs (Secretary)
Natural Resources and the Environment
Special Judiciary
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Sonya Halpern** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Banking and Financial Institutions
Education and Youth
Health and Human Services
State Institutions and Property

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Marty Harbin** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Government Oversight (Chair)
Appropriations
Insurance and Labor (Secretary)
Natural Resources and the Environment
Reapportionment and Redistricting

Sincerely,

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| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |
| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker | |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker | |
| District 46 | District 20 | |

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Ed Harbison** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and

shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

State Institutions and Property (Chair)
Banking and Financial Institutions (Secretary)
Ethics
Insurance and Labor
Interstate Cooperation
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

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|---|---|---|
| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |

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| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker |
| District 46 | District 20 |

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Tyler Harper** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Natural Resources and the Environment (Chair)
Agriculture and Consumer Affairs – Ex Officio
Appropriations
Public Safety (Vice Chair)
Rules

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Sally Harrell** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Ethics
Higher Education
Natural Resources and the Environment
Retirement
State Institutions and Property

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Bo Hatchett** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
Ethics
Government Oversight
Health and Human Services
Judiciary

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Billy Hickman** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Finance
Government Oversight (Secretary)
Higher Education
Retirement

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Chuck Hufstetler** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Finance (Chair)
Appropriations – Ex Officio
Health and Human Services
Higher Education – Ex Officio
Retirement (Vice Chair)
Rules

Sincerely,

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| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |

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| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker |
| District 46 | District 20 |

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Kim Jackson** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
Government Oversight
Natural Resources and the Environment
Public Safety

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Lester Jackson** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Urban Affairs (Chair)
Education and Youth
Finance
Health and Human Services

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Donzella James** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Interstate Cooperation (Chair)
Economic Development and Tourism
Education and Youth
Special Judiciary

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
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/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Burt Jones** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Finance
Government Oversight
Transportation

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Emanuel Jones** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Banking and Financial Institutions
Economic Development and Tourism (Secretary)
Interstate Cooperation (Secretary)
State and Local Governmental Operations

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Harold Jones** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Economic Development and Tourism
Ethics (Secretary)
Judiciary
Public Safety
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Rules

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Jen Jordan** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Special Judiciary (Chair)
Appropriations
Banking and Financial Institutions
Higher Education
Interstate Cooperation

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator John F. Kennedy** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Reapportionment and Redistricting (Chair)
Appropriations – Ex Officio
Banking and Financial Institutions (Vice Chair)
Health and Human Services – Ex Officio
Judiciary (Secretary)
Regulated Industries and Utilities (Secretary)
Rules – Ex Officio

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Kay Kirkpatrick** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security (Chair)
Appropriations – Ex Officio
Health and Human Services
Insurance and Labor
Judiciary

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator David Lucas** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and

shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Insurance and Labor
Regulated Industries and Utilities
Transportation
Urban Affairs

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Sheila McNeil** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Education and Youth
Natural Resources and the Environment (Vice Chair)
State Institutions and Property
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security (Secretary)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Nikki Merritt** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Government Oversight
Insurance and Labor
Natural Resources and the Environment
Special Judiciary

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Butch Miller** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Banking and Financial Institutions
Ethics
Finance
Government Oversight – Ex Officio
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Regulated Industries and Utilities
Rules – Ex Officio

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Jeff Mullis** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Rules (Chair)
Appropriations
Economic Development and Tourism
Regulated Industries and Utilities

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Nan Orrock** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Finance
Health and Human Services
Higher Education
Urban Affairs

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Elena Parent** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Education and Youth
Judiciary
Rules
Special Judiciary (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Chuck Payne** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Education and Youth (Chair)
Appropriations – Ex Officio
Finance (Secretary)
Higher Education (Secretary)
Public Safety – Ex Officio
State and Local Governmental Operations (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Sheikh Rahman** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
Economic Development and Tourism
Government Oversight
Special Judiciary
Urban Affairs (Secretary)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Michael 'Doc' Rhett** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Finance
Higher Education – Ex Officio
Judiciary
Reapportionment and Redistricting
Regulated Industries and Utilities
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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January 12, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Randy Robertson** to

serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Retirement (Chair)
Ethics
Government Oversight – Ex Officio
Insurance and Labor
Public Safety (Secretary)
State and Local Governmental Operations

Sincerely,

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| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |
| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker | |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker | |
| District 46 | District 20 | |

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Valencia Seay** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Government Oversight
Public Safety
Science and Technology (Secretary)
Transportation – Ex Officio

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Freddie Powell Sims** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
Appropriations
Education and Youth (Secretary)
Insurance and Labor – Ex Officio
Interstate Cooperation (Vice Chair)
Natural Resources and the Environment

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Brian Strickland** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Judiciary (Chair)
Appropriations
Banking and Financial Institutions
Ethics
Higher Education (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Carden Summers** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
Economic Development and Tourism
Public Safety
Retirement (Secretary)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Horacena Tate** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations
Economic Development and Tourism
Special Judiciary
Urban Affairs
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Bruce Thompson** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately

and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Economic Development and Tourism (Chair)
Appropriations
Banking and Financial Institutions – Ex Officio
Finance
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
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/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Blake Tillery** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Appropriations (Chair)
Government Oversight (Vice Chair)
Judiciary
Reapportionment and Redistricting
State Institutions and Property (Vice Chair)

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Lindsey Tippins** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Higher Education (Chair)
Appropriations
Education – Ex Officio
Natural Resources and the Environment (Secretary)
Transportation

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Larry Walker** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Agriculture and Consumer Affairs (Chair)
Appropriations
Health and Human Services – Ex Officio
Insurance and Labor (Vice Chair)
Retirement – Ex Officio
Rules

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan
President of the Senate

/s/ Butch Miller
Senator Butch Miller
President Pro-Tempore

/s/ Mike Dugan
Senator Mike Dugan
Majority Leader

/s/ Bill Cowsert
Senator Bill Cowsert
District 46

/s/ Larry Walker
Senator Larry Walker
District 20

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Mr. David Cook
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Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Ben Watson** to serve on the following Senate Committees. These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Health and Human Services (Chair)
Appropriations
Insurance and Labor – Ex Officio
Judiciary
Transportation
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

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| /s/ Geoff Duncan | /s/ Butch Miller | /s/ Mike Dugan |
| Lt. Governor Geoff Duncan | Senator Butch Miller | Senator Mike Dugan |
| President of the Senate | President Pro-Tempore | Majority Leader |

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| /s/ Bill Cowsert | /s/ Larry Walker |
| Senator Bill Cowsert | Senator Larry Walker |
| District 46 | District 20 |

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 2. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th, Rahman of the 5th and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to disposition of property seized, so as to provide law enforcement agencies the option to destroy or sell certain firearms; to revise procedures for the disposition of certain firearms in custody of law enforcement agencies; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 3. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th, Rahman of the 5th and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to raise the age of mandatory education from 16 to 17; to revise provisions relating to adult literacy for purposes of conformity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 4. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Robertson of the 29th, Rhett of the 33rd, Burke of the 11th and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drug abuse treatment and education programs, so as to prohibit patient brokering; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for enforcement; to provide for venue; to provide for reasonable expenses; to provide for cumulative actions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to provide that excessive, fraudulent, or high-tech drug testing of certain individuals is considered a fraudulent insurance act; to provide for investigation by the Commissioner of Insurance; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 5. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Au of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide patient protection measures for patients undergoing sedation in certain settings; to provide for patients under conscious sedation in dental settings and for dental procedures in medispas; to provide for patients under varying levels of sedation in physician offices and medispas; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 11. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Brass of the 28th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax returns and furnishing of information, so as to authorize Georgia taxpayers to make certain voluntary contributions through the income tax payment and refund process to aid and assist service disabled veterans through a qualified service disabled veterans benefit organization; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions and limitations; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th asked unanimous consent that Senator Tillery of the 19th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tillery was excused.

Senator Harrell of the 40th asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Davenport of the 44th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | McNeill |
| Anavitarte | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Miller |
| Au | Harbison | Mullis |
| Beach | Harrell | Rahman |
| Brass | Hatchett | Rhett |
| Burke | Hickman | Robertson |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Seay |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Strickland |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Summers |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Thompson |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Tippins |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Walker |

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| Ginn | Kennedy | Watson |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anderson, T. (Excused) | Dugan (Excused) | Lucas (Excused) |
| Payne (Excused) | Sims (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Tillery (Excused) | Harper | Jackson, L. |
| James | Orrock | Parent |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

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| Senators: | Harper of the 7th | Jackson of the 2nd | James of the 35th |
| | Orrock of the 36th | Parent of the 42nd | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Brass of the 28th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Doctor Stephen Peeples of Roopville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The President introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Keith Raziano, M.D.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 14, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, January 14, 2021
Fourth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

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January 13, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints **Senator Lee Anderson** to serve on the following Senate Committee. This appointment is effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

**Appropriations – Ex Officio**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

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January 13, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

The Senate Committee on Assignments hereby designates the following Senators to serve in the following positions on the **Veterans, Military and Homeland Security Committee.** These appointments are effective immediately and shall run concurrent with the Senate term.

Senator Ed Harbison (Vice Chair)
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Senator Ben Watson – Ex Officio
Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be

attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 7. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Jones of the 25th, Albers of the 56th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the University System of Georgia, so as to provide that designated research universities shall ensure that at least 90 percent of early action admissions are offered to Georgia resident students; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 8. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

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

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 9. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Burns of the 23rd, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; to provide for the transfer of certain funds from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for and allocate circuit-wide costs and expenditures; to conform the county salary supplements for the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the call of the roll be dispensed with. The consent was granted, and the roll call was dispensed with.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Butler of the 55th introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Lee May of Decatur, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 6. By Senators Seay of the 34th and Butler of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jabari Smith Jr.; and for other purposes.

SR 8. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jim Galloway upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate stand in recess for the purpose of convening a joint session on the State of the State, and upon the dissolution of the Joint Session, the Senate stand adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

The President announced the motion prevailed at 10:46 a.m.

The President introduced Governor Brian P. Kemp, who addressed the Senate briefly.

The hour for convening the Joint Session of the Senate and House having arrived, the President, accompanied by the President Pro Tempore, Senate Majority Whip, and Senate Minority Leader, proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives, and the Joint Session, called for the purpose of hearing a message by His Excellency, Governor Brian P. Kemp, was called to order by the President of the Senate. HR 9 authorizing the Joint Session of the Senate and House was read by the Clerk of the House.

His Excellency, Governor Brian P. Kemp, addressed the Joint Session of the Senate and the House of Representatives as follows:

Lieutenant Governor Duncan, Speaker Ralston, Speaker Pro Tem Jones, members of the General Assembly, Chief Justice Melton, Chief Judge McFadden, and my fellow Georgians:

In my first State of the State address, I talked about building on a sure foundation. We applauded the leadership of Governors Perdue and Deal who guided our state through difficult storms. I extended my gratitude to the Georgia General Assembly, who helped pour the concrete with key investments in education and economic development.

During that first address, which quite honestly, seems like an eternity ago, I retold the famous parable of two builders: one who built a beach house and the other who picked a better lot on higher, more stable ground. The rains came. The flood waters rose, and the house built on a sure, solid foundation weathered the storm. And then last year, I talked about our house plans — the blueprint for a safer, stronger Georgia. Each side of the structure protected those who lived inside; windows faced to the future; and a front door, open for all those who were looking for safety, opportunity, and a better tomorrow.

One year ago, I had no idea what we would experience in 2020 — what we would endure, the storms we would face. One year ago, our economy was growing at a rapid pace, with unemployment the lowest in the state's history. We had full faith and confidence that our best days were still to come.

When I stood at this rostrum on January 16th, 2020, I didn't know that a deadly, global pandemic was on the horizon. We didn't know that businesses would be shuttered, unemployment would skyrocket, and opportunity would slow under the weight of COVID-19.

We didn't know that our prosperity and our economy would be undermined at the same time that our health and well-being was threatened. We didn't know all of the challenges ahead; all of the impossible decisions to make; all of the struggle, pain, and grief. My family didn't know that we would have to say goodbye to Harrison Deal, the love of Lucy's life, like a brother to Jarrett and Amy Porter, and a son we never had to Marty and me. We didn't know that political division would generate ridiculous and harmful conspiracies, lawlessness, and death. Friends, standing here 12 months ago, I had no idea that 2020 would present more challenges than any year in my lifetime.

There is no doubt that this virus has impacted all of us beyond what we could ever have imagined. Too many families are now missing loved ones – a heartbreaking, devastating loss that I know many Georgians are still grieving today. And at this time, I'd like to observe a moment of silence to honor the life of every Georgian, every American, taken from us too soon by COVID-19. Those great Georgians may be gone, but they will not be forgotten. We will win this fight against COVID-19 and their legacies will live on for generations to come.

In Georgia, our people are the foundation. Despite incredible loss and unprecedented challenges, Georgia is still standing. Our house, built on a sure foundation, survived the storm. This state, while battered, is not broken. A better, brighter future is right around the corner. Yes, we still have challenges ahead, a virus to beat, an economy to rebuild and restore. But my fellow Georgians, the State of the State is resilient, and we will endure.

As you know, agriculture is Georgia's oldest and largest industry, supporting nearly 400,000 jobs and $76 billion in economic impact throughout the Peach State. While we

often take these hardworking Georgians for granted, we were reminded of their importance in the wake of Hurricane Michael. With winds topping 70 miles per hour, this storm destroyed thousands of acres of pecans, cotton, and timber; leveling homes, store fronts, and structures; literally upending lives and livelihoods. When the dust settled, I traveled down to Southwest Georgia to talk with local farmers and support the state's recovery efforts. I remember many conversations while I was there, and most of them went roughly the same way. These families were facing the destruction of their livelihoods, with bills piling up and federal assistance far away. I would always ask how they would move forward. Would they be able to continue feeding, clothing, and producing for our state – and the world? Nearly every person said they would clear the fields, repair what they could, and start planting.

As we begin a new year, a new legislative session, there are some who want to look to the past, assign blame, settle old scores, and relive and relitigate 2020. Today, I think we should take the advice of those wise farmers. Let's clear the fields and start planting.

While Jesus was a carpenter like his Dad, he had some timeless wisdom on farming and life. In Matthew 13, Jesus shares a few best practices with the crowd that had gathered:

"A farmer went out to sow his seed. As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop — a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. Whoever has ears, let them hear."

This parable, told over 2,000 years ago, is just as relevant today. A good harvest starts with good soil. Our future as a state – for decades or more – will be determined by the decisions we make in the days to come. To ensure a strong harvest in the years ahead, our top priority over the next few months must be to continue protecting both lives –and livelihoods – against COVID-19.

From the beginning of this pandemic, I stressed the need to balance those two priorities: the health and wellbeing of our people, and their ability to put food on the table for them and their families. In March and April of 2020, that was not easy. Many problems we confronted as a state led to long days and sleepless nights. It seems like forever ago, but in the early days of our fight against COVID-19, protecting lives was a minute by minute battle against a virus we knew little about.

Our first test was in Albany and the southwest part of our state. A few super-spreader events led to the first surge in virus cases and hospitalizations throughout the region. The local health care infrastructure was being strained to the breaking point, and community spread of the virus was rampant. In response, the state quickly deployed National Guard infection control teams to local nursing homes, contracted with additional hospital staff to aid local frontline health care workers, and dispatched a state-purchased mobile hospital unit to help with patient overflow. We stood up additional bed capacity and purchased

critical PPE supplies and ventilators to aid in the critical care of infected Georgians. Alongside local leaders, we made every resource available and worked tirelessly to provide lifesaving medical treatment, protect the most vulnerable, and flatten the curve.

The local community stepped up to the plate and bought into what local and state leaders asked them to do – they wore a mask, practiced social distancing, avoided large crowds, and followed public health guidance. The community – not the government – flattened the curve and slowed the spread of COVID-19. And while every part of our state continues to see higher cases, more hospitalizations, and more deaths at the hands of this virus, the Dougherty County community has shown what is possible when we all work together and choose to be a part of the solution instead of part of the problem.

Here with us today is a gentleman who led a team of health care heroes through some of the worst this virus has thrown at our state. During one of the darkest times in recent memory, Scott Steiner and the hardworking Georgians at Phoebe Putney Health System held the line. They worked with local community partners to educate the public when so much about this virus was unknown. They provided lifesaving treatment to thousands of their neighbors, friends, and coworkers, and like so many nurses, doctors, and health care professionals across the state, the Phoebe team worked long hours under extraordinary circumstances – not just because it was their job, but because they have a deep, abiding passion for their work. Thank you, Scott, and thank you to your team for your dedication and service to the people of our state!

Learning from Albany, as we moved into the summer months, the state launched a strategic plan to address the effects of COVID-19 and its impacts on our health care infrastructure and communities as a whole. Thanks to help from our federal partners, the state purchased four mobile hospital units to respond to increased hospitalizations in real time. Working with the General Assembly and Grady Memorial Hospital, we ramped up the Georgia Coordinating Center to allow for statewide coordination of hospital capacity, and we brought in additional bed capacity at the Georgia World Congress Center, allowing metro Atlanta hospitals the ability to quickly adapt to changing conditions on the ground. We kept hospitals open, accepting patients, and keeping Georgians healthy.

Like every other state across the country, the pandemic introduced the dire need for rapid, accurate, and widely available testing – an infrastructure the Department of Public Health literally created from scratch. But we persevered through significant supply chain challenges. We brought in the Georgia National Guard and contracted with Augusta University to boost testing, set up mega sites and drive thru testing operations, and engage hard-to-reach communities to help identify cases and slow the spread of the virus.

As of today, there have been a staggering 5.7 million tests administered in the state of Georgia. As we all know, COVID-19 has hit our most vulnerable Georgians the hardest, especially those residing and working in nursing homes. From the start of the pandemic, Dr. Toomey and our team recognized that nursing homes – and their residents and staff – would be among the toughest challenges we faced. The state sprang into action and was the first in the nation to utilize National Guard infection control strike teams to conduct

missions in facilities in nearly every community. All told, the Guard's 65 infection control teams conducted missions in more than 2,400 facilities.

Speaking of the National Guard, I'd like to pause here for a moment and recognize their truly remarkable efforts throughout this pandemic. In addition to spearheading our early testing and infection control efforts, our very own men and women in uniform also helped Atlanta-area schools deliver 948,000 meals to children who were out of the classroom throughout the spring and summer of 2020. Guard members assisted overwhelmed food banks from Savannah to Atlanta and answered the call to help keep our communities safe. At this time, I'd like to thank General Tom Carden and every Georgian serving in the Georgia National Guard for their tireless work on behalf of our state and nation.

The state prioritized the fight against COVID-19 in two other specific areas: PPE procurement and additional health care personnel staffing. Activating the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency's statewide network, the state secured entire warehouses of PPE from hundreds of vendors which was immediately sent to hospitals, nursing homes, doctors' offices, and other health care providers on the frontlines. Because of their around-the-clock efforts, under the leadership of former Director Homer Bryson and Director Chris Stallings, the state now has at least an 80-day supply of all critical PPE categories.

As our hospitals and nursing homes confront the fiercest part of this pandemic, the frontline health care workers in these facilities have literally faced hell on earth. They've worked under brutal conditions, for multiple shifts, over months now. There's no doubt that Georgia's health care heroes have done their job with a grit and determination that has inspired 11 million Georgians. Never has it been clearer how important your job is and how vital all of you are to keeping our state healthy and prosperous. Thank you for sacrificing your time with loved ones. Thank you for going above and beyond each and every day.

To lend a hand to these heroes, the state has spared no expense. Through the end of 2020, Georgia allocated $250 million in CARES Act funds to augment staff at nursing homes and hospitals across the state with an additional 70 million planned thru early March. These nurses and health care professionals have been absolutely vital to our battle against COVID-19, often serving as a lifeline for these facilities and patients. I want to thank them for their willingness to do so.

These have been dark times for our state, for our country, and for the world. We have overcome so much, and together we can now see the light at the end of this tunnel. Thanks to the efforts of Operation Warp Speed, we have a miracle of modern science that is quickly being administered, with over 283,000 Georgians vaccinated as of yesterday. We still have a long way to go, but we are making steady, significant progress. This is certainly good news, but our fight is far from over. The pandemic is still infecting and killing fellow Georgians and Americans. We must all continue wearing a mask, practicing social distancing, washing our hands, and heeding the regulations of the

executive order still in place. But we also know that there are 283,000 reasons for hope and optimism. We will get through this. We will get there, together.

It's pretty common for us to refer to 2020 and the pandemic as a fight, or maybe even a battle. I know it has certainly felt like one for many Georgians, myself included. And in any fight or battle, victory or defeat is often determined by leadership. I have thanked God countless times for sending Georgia a remarkable leader to see us through these challenging moments. Because it is only through God's grace and eternal wisdom that we have Dr. Kathleen Toomey. If I recited Dr. Toomey's resume, we'd be here all day: Harvard-trained, decades of experience in epidemiology. On paper, no one would be better prepared for the job of confronting a once-in-a-lifetime global pandemic, but the resume does not live up to the woman all of us have seen at countless press conferences, interviews, and fly-around tours. Her knowledge is unmatched, her work ethic is unparalleled, and her passion for public health and serving the people of our state is nothing short of remarkable. Dr. Toomey has become a friend and someone I trust completely. God sent Georgia the right person at the right time. Doc, thanks for everything.

Thanks to the partnership of both legislative chambers and the outstanding work of the best economic development team in the country, led by Commissioner Pat Wilson, Georgia's economy was able to hold its own during 2020. In a year riddled with economic hardship from coast to coast, Vice President Mike Pence said it best, "Georgia helped lead the way back to a prosperous American economy." And if the first half of the new fiscal year has been any indication, the Peach State is well-positioned to emerge from this dark period of economic crisis stronger and more prosperous than before.

For an unprecedented eighth consecutive year, Georgia earned the title of #1 State for Business, affirming and solidifying our status as the leading competitor for jobs and investment right here in the United States and around the world. At a time in our nation's history when jobless claims have skyrocketed, our unemployment rate in Georgia sits at 5.7 percent, well below the national average.

And in the midst of a global pandemic, Georgia's economic development numbers have shattered record after record. Since the start of Fiscal Year 2021, our Department of Economic Development has announced the creation of more than 16,000 new jobs and more than $6 billion in new investment, with more than half of those jobs going to communities outside the metro area. Whether it was Georgia-based Wincore Windows growing their operation by 100 jobs in Swainsboro; Nestle Purina doubling down on their investment in Hartwell by 130 jobs; or major brands like Papa Johns and Home Depot relocating their headquarters and expanding their footprint, creating thousands of jobs in the metro area; those numbers constitute a 40 percent increase in new jobs created and a 47 percent increase in new investments compared to the first six months of Fiscal Year 20.

But what they represent is so much more than that. They represent decades of hard-fought battles, foresight, and strong, conservative leadership under this Gold Dome. They

serve as a beacon of hope to Georgians who had to worry about keeping food on the table, or if their kids could build a career in their home state when the dust settles from the pandemic. They show that rural Georgia – not just Atlanta – is ripe for investment and opportunity, and they speak to the strength of our business community – the hardworking Georgians who faced very long odds to stay in business and keep their teams on the payroll.

I faced just a little criticism — from all sides — when we chose to safely and methodically reopen the state. For news cycle after news cycle, it seemed like the only voices given a megaphone were from the elites, those who could work from home long-term, and those who had the resources to shelter in place for months on end. But the voices I heard were the voices of men and women from Bainbridge to Bolingbroke to Baldwin, who had spent years building their business, creating jobs, sowing a harvest they hoped to one day reap for themselves and their families literally days away from losing it all. I heard their fear, the uncertainty, not knowing what tomorrow may hold, and it was familiar to me. You see, as a small business owner in the construction industry during the Great Recession, Marty and I had similar conversations together in our kitchen – living week to week, day to day, hour to hour, like many other hardworking Georgians. It was not uncommon for the guys on the job site working for me to have more money in their pocket than I had in my bank account.

I can tell you those memories came to me often in the early days of the pandemic: the phone calls, texts, and emails I received from folks holding out for a miracle. They weren't that different from the thoughts going through my head on more than one night all those years ago. These hardworking Georgians were struggling, not because their business was a failure or because their products or services were no longer needed. No, they faced devastation because of a virus, through no fault of their own.

While some disagreed with me, I know our decision to work with Dr. Toomey and her team to give these people a fighting chance — a glimmer of hope — meant everything to them. Salon, barbershop, restaurant owners, and so many more who sacrificed time and resources to implement new, COVID-safe protocols in their stores when we reopened. These new regulations upended their daily operations, but kept many from closing stores, laying off workers, and losing businesses that sometimes had been in families and communities for generations. Hundreds of thousands of waiters and waitresses, contractors, hospitality and tourism workers, and farmers — the pandemic came for them too. This virus took something precious away from each one of them, and not all of them ended up in the spotlight. My message to those great Georgians has been the same every day since we announced our measured reopening: your state hears you, your Governor hears you, and we have your back.

That decision allowed Georgia's small business community to live to fight another day and some of our largest companies – like Kia and Bridgestone – to have record success. It has never been clearer that we must honor our commitment to the job creators in this state. That commitment has held true these last 10 months, in communities rallying around local businesses who overhauled to adhere to public health guidelines and keep

customers safe, and in the work done by leaders in both legislative chambers to make it easier to stay in business in the era of COVID-19.

You see, in the heat of the summer, when we were facing some of our toughest days in the fight with COVID, when access to testing was crucial, and the state struggled to meet demand for critical PPE, it was Georgia businesses – large and small – who stepped up to meet the moment. From craft breweries in Albany, to local mattress manufacturers in Rome, to a plastics business that began as a small startup in a garage in Newnan 13 years ago, our very own pitched in to build up the state's stockpile, limit the need to compete with other states, and ensure our health care heroes had the resources they need to care for Georgia's most vulnerable.

One of those businesses, America Knits, cut the ribbon to mark the official opening of their facility in Swainsboro in late 2019 with 52 jobs in their community. Their ribbon cutting heralded the return of American-made apparel manufacturing to Swainsboro, more than 20 years after many cut-and-sew plants closed throughout the U.S. And of course, it meant good jobs and more opportunities were on the way to hardworking Georgians and their families. Like all of us seated here today, I'm sure no one on the team at America Knits anticipated the COVID-19 pandemic and how hard it would hit our economy, but when the pandemic hit, they didn't slow down. They rolled up their sleeves and kept choppin'.

These American heroes shifted their entire operation to begin producing masks and gowns for frontline health care professionals, and while their products may not bear the names of major brands, they caught the attention of those in high places, receiving FDA approval in a matter of days to sew and send lifesaving garments to our frontline heroes. Steve Hawkins, the president of America Knits, joins us in the chamber today. Steve, I know at this time last year, you could not have fathomed that your plant would shift to 20-hour days, bring on more staff, and work harder than you thought possible to fight a virus we knew so little about. You and your team's commitment to that mission represents the best of Georgia's business community and reminds us all of what is possible in rural Georgia. On behalf of all Georgians, thank you!

As state leaders, we knew we had to support these businesses as strongly as they were supporting Georgia. That's why I was proud to work alongside Speaker Ralston, Lieutenant Governor Duncan, and leaders in both legislative chambers last session to support the passage of a PPE tax credit to incentivize in-state production and ensure that we aren't forced to rely on anyone but our own Georgia Made entrepreneurs for critical supplies.

That piece of legislation was exactly the type of common sense, business-friendly policy that we should champion here in the No. 1 State for Business — to stand alongside businesses who are working hard each and every day to provide for their employees and communities and leverage state programs to support their efforts. That is why, as part of my legislative agenda this session, I am proposing a natural next step to the PPE Tax Credit by expanding the letter of the law to cover pharmaceutical and medical equipment

manufacturers. Georgia is home to some of health care's strongest pillars with the CDC, several major health care systems, and premier medical research institutions like Augusta University and Emory. And as we look to a future on the other side of COVID-19, we should focus our efforts on planting more seeds in that good soil by spurring job creation from those industries that are critical to health care and building on Georgia's momentum to become a leader in all sectors of the health care industry. We've learned many lessons as a result of COVID-19, and one that we learned early on is that we cannot waste time in bidding wars with other states or foreign adversaries. No one nation should hold a monopoly on lifesaving medicines and medical supplies, and we should bring these critical industries and the jobs that come with them back to America and here to Georgia.

Despite the challenges of 2020, I'm exceptionally proud of what we were able to accomplish working together last year. For the first time in our state's history, the General Assembly enacted a Public Health State of Emergency, granting my office with the flexibility and tools needed to lead our state through the COVID-19 crisis. I know that decision was not made lightly, and I want to thank each of you for placing that trust in me. Working alongside Chairman England, Chairman Tillery, and our state budget director, Kelly Farr, we were able to make the difficult choices to balance our state budget when the session reconvened last June. Through diligent work, we passed a balanced budget that reflected our priorities: health care, public safety, education, and economic opportunity. And while the media and politicians in California, New York, and others spent their 2020 throwing stones in glass houses, here in Georgia, I'm proud to report that, unlike them, the Peach State will not be facing budget cuts this year.

In fact, our careful planning and measured approach was rewarded in spades. When the pandemic's effect on our state's revenue projections looked its worst, we worked closely with Chairman England, Chairman Tillery, Speaker Ralston, Lieutenant Governor Duncan, and the House and Senate budget offices to prepare for the worst. However, thanks to the passage of the CARES Act, conservative budgeting, and our measured reopening of Georgia's economy, our rainy-day fund remains strong. Other states are looking at further cuts to employees and essential services. For aid, they are now forced to turn to a dysfunctional and distracted Washington, D.C. But because we acted swiftly and early, the budgets my administration will propose in the coming days include no new cuts to state agencies and departments, no furloughs, and no widespread layoffs of state employees. And, I might add: no new taxes to pay for it all.

This sound fiscal management enabled Georgia to maintain our coveted AAA bond rating, and we find ourselves in a position that many other states should envy as economic experts point to Georgia's ability to weather the economic fallout from COVID-19 as better than most. But now, as we begin a new legislative session, our state still faces headwinds due to uncertainty in the national and global markets, but it is our job to till the earth, pass budgets that put hardworking Georgians first, and get ready for planting.

Continuing to invest in soil ready to grow Georgia's economy means we have to stay laser-focused on promoting development in all 159 counties – not just our capital city.

This has been a top priority of mine since the campaign trail and for many under this Gold Dome. We've delivered on those promises by championing pro-growth legislation for rural Georgia and establishing the Rural Strike Team to bring local developers, elected officials, and industry leaders together to bring projects of regional significance to communities looking to grow, but this is no time to let up. We know that we can land major investments and job creation in rural communities throughout Georgia, but we also know that will not happen if we don't invest heavily in the infrastructure and resources necessary to encourage that growth.

Many of the economic, medical, and other challenges that are facing rural Georgia cannot be fixed with a top-down, one-size-fits-all approach. These issues are best addressed through targeted, innovative, public-private solutions that meet the needs of specific communities not just today or tomorrow, but five, 10, or 25 years down the road. That's why I have included in my budget nearly $40 million to establish a Rural Innovation Fund to provide a readily available pool of resources that empowers rural Georgia businesses and entrepreneurs to get started, expand, and thrive.

This pandemic highlighted many challenges for communities outside of metro Atlanta, but maybe none more-so than the critical need for high-speed internet access for better health care and educational outcomes, for job opportunities, and something as simple as keeping in touch with loved ones. That is why I'm proud to announce that we're including $20 million for this fiscal year and $10 million per year moving forward to boost access to rural broadband grants so local leaders can continue a growing and vital partnership with the private sector and quickly improve internet access for the people of rural Georgia.

In a year where doctors, nurses, medical staff, public health workers, and other health care professionals have shown themselves to be the best of Georgia and the best of America, there is no question that we must direct every resource available to the expansion of health care access in Georgia to our most vulnerable, to the families who have seen their income cut, and to hardworking Georgians trying their best to make ends meet. We've made great strides toward this goal already, passing and signing over 50 health care bills in the last two years to expand access, spur innovation, and cut costs for better coverage, including the Patients First Act. Georgia has one of the highest uninsured rates in the country, and many who are insured are struggling to pay for care. In the midst of a pandemic, that is, quite honestly, unacceptable. More action is needed. That is why my budget proposal for the coming Fiscal Year includes $76 million to implement Georgia Pathways and Access to make health care accessible for the first time to thousands and affordable for millions more by scaling back dependence on the failed promises of healthcare.gov, giving low-income Georgians a hand up, and increasing competition in the private sector to drive down costs.

We'll also make use of state resources to shore up Georgia's health care programs, with $329 million for Medicaid and PeachCare to fund projected costs in the coming year. When it comes to meaningful, innovative reforms in health care, Georgia is leading the nation. We are putting our money where it truly matters. To plant the seeds that will grow

in our state for years to come, we must add important nutrients and strengthen vital, lifesaving programs and invest our resources in keeping Georgia healthy and prosperous for generations to come.

Our oldest daughter, Jarrett, is in school at the University of Georgia to become a teacher. Earlier this week, she actually started her student teaching assignment. Marty, her sisters, and I are so proud that she has chosen this career path, and her passion for educating has only strengthened my commitment to the teachers of our state.

The state was proactive and aggressive in easing the overwhelming challenges that faced teachers and administrators last year, including allocating $30 million to help ensure student connectivity, slashing the requirements on testing, allocating $19 million to support childcare for working parents, and providing over 8.3 million units of PPE to school systems across our state. But the daunting task of teaching Georgia's next generation in the midst of COVID-19 has been anything but easy. So many educators went the extra mile to help the children in their classroom who don't have the best home life, or maybe it was to do whatever it took to make sure their kids had meals to last them through the day. In a day and age where so much is thrown at those investing in our children on the front lines, the additional burdens of remote learning, social distancing, wearing a mask, adapting to the new normal honestly made educating overwhelming.

But the great men and women running Georgia's schools didn't miss a beat. From principals, teachers, custodians, bus drivers and support staff on down, their actions have inspired us all. And today, I'm proud to announce that, working closely with State School Superintendent Richard Woods, the state will provide additional support to school system re-opening efforts, equating to a one-time supplement of $1,000 per teacher and other employees. Richard Woods and his team have been tireless champions for our schools, teachers, and students even before the pandemic, and I appreciate his friendship and leadership. At this time, I'd like to ask those in the Chamber and those joining us via livestream to join me in thanking our educators, administrators, cafeteria workers, and school staff who faced COVID-19 with heart, passion, and perseverance!

But ladies and gentlemen, I believe it is the responsibility of those serving under this Gold Dome to send a clear message that we support our educators, students, and parents. That's why for this year's amended budget, I am recommending $647 million to restore funding to school systems across our state, fully fund enrollment growth, and hold schools harmless for enrollment reductions – with $573 million allocated to continue those efforts in next year's budget as well. Those funds mean schools will be able to prioritize our students' safety, ensure quality instruction continues, and stand with our educators in the months and years to come. In a year when other states may face no other option but to slash education dollars, furlough teachers, and cut back on essential student programs, Georgia is restoring funding to schools, backing our teachers, and launching new initiatives to keep kids enrolled.

Like many families, our three daughters have had to get used to distance learning. Having seen this firsthand as a dad, I think I speak for parents, students, and teachers when I say

that having class through a computer screen is leaving too many kids behind. Experts in education and pediatrics have been sounding the alarm for months, and I believe the toll the pandemic is taking on the next generation is reaching a crisis point. These challenges are most concerning for our special-needs children whose educational achievement, personal development, and emotional wellbeing have been severely impacted. To prioritize assistance to these at-risk students and families, my office will be working with the Department of Education to set aside $10 million in Governor's Emergency Education Relief funds to reimburse expenses parents and guardians have incurred while providing a quality education to their loved ones during COVID-19. Pandemic or not, it is my commitment that we will make every resource available to give each student the opportunity to succeed.

As many of you have read in news reports over the last few months, COVID-19 has also had a negative impact on enrollment in some of our colleges and universities. The institutions hit the hardest have often been those serving minority students. With an additional $5 million, a pilot program through the University System of Georgia can keep up to 10,000 juniors and seniors with unmet financial obligations enrolled in college. These hardworking Georgians have nearly crossed the finish line of their higher education journey, and I believe the least we can do is ensure financial hardship at the hands of COVID-19 does not stand in the way of achieving their dreams. The future wellbeing of our state and any harvest we hope to enjoy in the years to come will be determined by our shared commitment to education – to our students, parents, teachers, and school staff. As your 83rd governor, that commitment will never waiver.

In addition to the pandemic, our country faced another crisis throughout the summer and early fall of 2020. In the tragic deaths of George Floyd and Ahmaud Arbery, the entire nation witnessed injustice with our own eyes. I was proud to support the peaceful protests that drew the world's attention to these terrible acts, and those voices demanded change to protect the lives of every Georgian regardless of race, creed, or political preference. In a bipartisan way, leaders under this Gold Dome stood side by side and answered the call. Together, we passed meaningful hate crimes legislation that reaffirmed Georgia's commitment to be a welcoming state that values the life of each and every one of its citizens. I'd like to thank Speaker Ralston, Lieutenant Governor Duncan, Dean Smyre, Chairman Efstration, Senator Cowsert, Senator Harold Jones, and others for their work on this important issue. Oftentimes, the best of what is accomplished in this building is achieved when we put politics aside and simply do what is right. When I signed HB 426 into law last year, I called it a "sign of progress" and "a milestone worth applauding," but we know – thanks to the example set for all of us by titans like C.T Vivian and John Lewis – that our work is far from finished.

On May 5th, 2020, a viral video shocked the world. The horrific killing of Ahmaud Arbery shook a Georgia community to its very core. We all felt anger, disbelief, and a deep sorrow, but none more than Ahmaud's family and loved ones. Ahmaud was the victim of a vigilante-style of violence that has no place in our state. The deranged behavior that led to this tragedy was excused away because of an antiquated law that is

ripe for abuse and enables sinister, evil motives. That's why my administration plans to introduce significant reforms to our state's citizen's arrest statute, and working with legislative leaders and members of both parties, I believe that we can take another step toward a better, safer, and more just future for our state. We can again send a clear message: Georgia is a state that protects all of its people and fights injustice wherever it is found.

Peaceful demonstrations across our state in honor of Ahmaud, George Floyd, and others were made possible by our dedicated men and women in law enforcement. They worked long hours to protect protestors and to ensure, if anyone had a different motive involving violence, that our communities and streets remained safe. Unfortunately, many of our law enforcement personnel were faced with events that turned destructive throughout the summer months of 2020. I don't believe it's ever been more dangerous or more challenging to wear a law enforcement uniform, but police officers across our state have made us proud. Our state cannot prosper or reap a good harvest without safe communities, safe streets, and safe families. In a day and age where many vilify the men and women who protect our communities each and every day, my message is clear: in Georgia, as long as I'm governor, we back the blue!

Atlanta Police Officer Max Brewer is an 18-year law enforcement veteran and a self-described "Motor Man for Life," and serves in the Atlanta Police Motorcycle Unit. On Saturday, May 30th, he was on duty in the city of Atlanta on the corner of Marietta and Spring Streets, assisting in traffic flow and ensuring demonstrators were kept safe. Around 10:30 that night, Officer Brewer was struck by a drunk maniac on an ATV and suffered serious, life-threatening injuries. Going in and out of consciousness and losing a significant amount of blood, Officer Brewer's need was critical. The call went out for help. The closest available assistance was a Georgia National Guard unit under the leadership of Sergeant First Class Jason Rustin. Sergeant Rustin's team responded quickly to the scene, applying a tourniquet to Officer Brewer's leg and providing lifesaving medical treatment at a moment's notice. The actions of Sergeant Rustin and his fellow Georgia Guardsmen literally saved Officer Brewer's life. Once stable, but in critical condition, Max was transported by the Guard unit to Grady where health care heroes continued to save his legs and his life. These two gentlemen, and countless other first responders, answered the call of duty in 2020. Officer Brewer wanted to join us today, but is still receiving treatment for his injuries. Both Sergeant Rustin and Officer Brewer went above and beyond that call, and for that, my family and our state are incredibly grateful. Today, Sergeant Rustin is in the chamber with us. Thank you both!

As state leaders, we spend a lot of time talking about Georgia's status as the best place in the country to live, work, and raise a family. We talk about it because, for so many Georgians, that phrase reflects the reality of how blessed we are to live in the Peach State. Georgia is rich with good soil, but it is our job to weed out the evils which seek to steal that promise from all those who call our state home. It is abundantly clear that no industry embodies that theft of innocence, childhood, and opportunity more than the sinister enterprise of human trafficking. During our first days in office, we hit the ground

running to crack down on traffickers, care for victims, and eradicate modern day slavery in our state. And before I go any further, let me just say this: I don't think any First Lady in the country has done more to end human trafficking than our First Lady, Marty Kemp, and the people of Georgia – and myself included – are lucky to have her.

Marty and the GRACE Commission have done incredible work these first two years. Implementing statewide training programs so Georgians know the signs and how to report instances of human trafficking; passing bi-partisan, meaningful legislation that toughens penalties for those who participate in the sale of a person's innocence for profit; and working with organizations on the front lines in communities throughout Georgia to ensure survivors of human trafficking find their voice and transition back into society, but, as Marty and all those who are fighting tooth and nail to end that industry will tell you, there is far more work to be done.

On the heels of a year that sowed division along party lines more than any in recent history, I am asking the members of the General Assembly to unite once more. Let's build on the great work done by the GRACE Commission by implementing more training programs that equip Georgians to recognize and prevent instances of sex slavery. Let's make common sense reforms to our laws, so survivors seeking a name change to build a new life no longer have to take out an ad in the paper that puts their safety at risk, and let's strengthen our statutes to add a civil remedy that allows victims to seek court action against their traffickers or those who knowingly aided in trafficking.

There is no shortage of issues on policy or politics to debate this year, but taking common sense steps to keep people safe and bring an end to modern day slavery is a goal that each of us can work together to achieve. You see, there is so much more that unites us than divides us. And working together, we can continue taking necessary, bipartisan action to champion the voices of the vulnerable in Georgia; protect our children; implement adoption reforms that make it easier to put them in safe, loving homes; and ultimately, secure the promise of Georgia for generations to come.

As I come before you today, my memories of 2020 will not just be the struggles, the many challenges I spoke about today, the countless tough decisions, or the sleepless nights. Like many of you, I will remember time spent with my family that otherwise would not have been possible. I will remember standing shoulder to shoulder – well, six feet apart – with the best private sector, political, and civic leaders in our state to face a once in a lifetime pandemic. I will remember my travels across the state to visit Georgia companies and workers who proved innovation and hard work are the backbone of our economy and wellbeing as a people. And I will remember the countless sacrifices and hardships faced by the people of our state and how we pulled through, how we weathered the storm, how we emerged resilient and stronger than ever.

The reason you build a house with a strong foundation is not for the good times, not for the sunny days. You do it to weather the storm when times get tough. I spent my summers working on a farm. It's hot. It's hard work, but it's also rewarding. Watching the seeds you planted, grow over the days, weeks, and months – literally enjoying the

fruits of your labor. I know that many in this room, and those watching, are worn out, tired, and burdened. It's a New Year, but it all feels the same. There is no doubt that this "new normal" isn't really normal, and frankly, it's not clear when things will return to business as usual. But my fellow Georgians, we have the opportunity – and responsibility – to make strategic decisions now that will impact generations to come. We have the opportunity to act and to accomplish what we were sent here to do.

In five years, 10 years, or 20 years, we can look back and tell our kids, grandkids, and their kids that we invested in health care, education, and the safety of our communities. We upheld our sworn oath and stood up for what was right, even when it wasn't popular. We prioritized jobs and prosperity in all parts of our state. We championed legislation to make our state a more welcoming place to live, work, and raise a family. We protected the lives – and livelihoods – of what makes Georgia great: our people.

It's time to put our differences aside put 2020 in the rearview. Let's stand together as Georgians and clear the destruction caused by the storms of life. Let's clear away the conspiracy theories and the division. Let's focus on the bountiful harvests to come. Let's find the good soil together and start planting. May God bless you, and may God continue to bless the Great State of Georgia. Thank you!

Senator Miller of the 49th moved that the Joint Session be hereby dissolved.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session dissolved.

Pursuant to the provisions of a previously adopted motion, the Senate stood adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, January 26, 2021
Fifth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 19, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and with unanimous consent of the Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Butch Miller** to serve on the following Senate Committee:

**Transportation – Ex Officio**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

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**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 19, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and with unanimous consent of the Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Steve Gooch** to serve on the following Senate Committee:

**Natural Resources and the Environment – Ex Officio**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 19, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and with unanimous consent of the Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Lindsey Tippins** to serve on the following Senate Committee:

**Regulated Industries and Utilities – Ex Officio**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 19, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and with unanimous consent of the Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Ed Harbison** to serve on the following Senate Committee:

**Regulated Industries and Utilities – Ex Officio**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

**SUPREME COURT OF GEORGIA**
**NATHAN DEAL JUDICIAL CENTER**
**330 CAPITOL AVENUE S.E.**
**AVENUE, GA 30334**

Mr. David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

I, Charles J. Bethel, Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia, do hereby certify by my signature below that I have this date, January 11, 2021, at 4:00, at the Whitfield County Courthouse, Whitfield County, Dalton, Georgia, administered the following Oath of Office to the Senators-Elect of the Georgia Senate for the 2021 -- 2022 term:

"I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of this state and of the United States and, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will so conduct myself as will, in my judgment, be most conducive to the interests and prosperity of this state.

I further swear or affirm that I am not the holder of any unaccounted for public money due this state, or due any political subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, of any other state, or any foreign state, which by law I am prohibited from holding; that I have been a resident of my district for the time required by the Constitution and the laws of this state; that I am otherwise qualified to hold said office according to the Constitution and laws of Georgia.

So help me God."

SIGNED: /s/ Charles J. Bethel
Charles J. Bethel
Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia

DATED: January 11, 2021

OFFICIAL OATH OF GEORGIA STATE SENATOR
SENATOR HORACENA TATE
SENATE DISTRICT 38

I do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of this state and of the United States and, on all questions and measures which may come before me, I will so conduct myself as will, in my judgment, be most conducive to the interests and prosperity of this state.

I further swear or affirm that I am not the holder of any unaccounted for public money due this state, or due any political subdivision or authority thereof; that I am not the holder of any office of trust under the government of the United States, of any other state, or any foreign state, which by law I am prohibited from holding; that I have been a resident of my district for the time required by the Constitution and the laws of this state; that I am otherwise qualified to hold said office according to the Constitution and laws of Georgia.

So help me God.

This 18th day of January, 2021
/s/ Horacena Tate
HORACENA TATE, SENATOR
DISTRICT 38

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 10. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for an offense of promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; to provide for an offense of knowingly attending an illegal drag race or laying drags exhibition; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for classification and registration of high-performance vehicles; to provide for the issuance of special license plates for high-performance vehicles; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 14. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Rahman of the 5th, Seay of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to employment security benefits, so as to allow applicants for benefits to obtain their personnel files when their claims are contested by their former employers; to provide for definitions; to require the Department of Labor to modify the separation notice; to sanction employers who fail to timely deliver personnel files; to prohibit the admissibility of an uncontested claim; to require the Commissioner of Labor to enact rules or regulations relating to uncontested claims for benefits; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 15. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Seay of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-142.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to coursework in the founding philosophy and principles of the United States of America, so as to create a new category of coursework dealing with the history of Black people and their contributions to American society; to provide for instructional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 16. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 12 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Commission on Women, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Black Women and Girls; to provide for its membership; to provide for powers and duties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 17. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th and Harrell of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for a certification program for whole child model schools; to provide for reports on implementation and progress; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 18. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, James of the 35th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to limitations on prosecution, so as to revise the statute of limitations on the offenses of rape, aggravated sodomy, and aggravated sexual battery; to provide that a prosecution for the offenses of rape, aggravated sodomy, and aggravated sexual battery may be commenced at any time; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 19. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Rahman of the 5th, Orrock of the 36th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and construction of hospitals and other health care facilities, so as to require hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to utilize surgical smoke evacuation systems during surgical procedures to protect patients and health care workers from the hazards of surgical smoke; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SR 11. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Miller of the 49th, Harper of the 7th, Hickman of the 4th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Georgia Recyclers Association, the Georgia Recycling Coalition, and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries and their employees as essential and commending them for their economic contributions to Georgia; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following communications were transmitted by the Secretary:

Office of Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

David A. Cook (404) 656-5040
Secretary of the Senate Fax (404) 656-5043

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Members of the Senate

**From:** David Cook

**Date:** January 26, 2021

**Re:** GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS

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Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-3.1, I am notifying the Senate that the appointments made by the Governor that require Senate confirmation have been received and referred to the Committee on Assignments. They are attached for your review.

The Committee on Assignments will report its recommendations on the appointments to the Senate after which the Senate may proceed to consider confirmation.

STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ATLANTA 30334-0900

Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

January 25, 2021

***VIA HAND DELIVERY***

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Cook:

Attached is the list of appointments to various boards, commissions, authorities and other entities requiring Senate confirmation. This list is submitted pursuant to Senate Rules 3-3.1, *et seq*. If we can provide you with any additional information to assist your office in the confirmation process, please let us know.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
/s/ Brian P. Kemp
Brian P. Kemp

The Honorable Richard Hyde of Cobb County, as a member of the Hearing Panel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/14/2020, and ending 6/30/2021.

The Honorable Bobb Barr of Cobb County, as a member of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/14/2020, and ending 6/30/2023.

The Honorable Hal Jones of DeKalb County, as the Chairman of Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission, for the term of office beginning 2/25/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Patricia Ann Rosenthal of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/2/2020, and ending 3/2/2023.

The Honorable Myra Tolbert of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Michael Allen Smith of Lowndes County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Aimee Simpson of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Kristie Louise Sharp of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Elaine Pritchard of Houston County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Rosla Garrett Plant of Meriwether County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Lisa Perry of Colquitt County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Ethan Michael Pender of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable June Sharon O'Neal of Bibb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Paul Harvey Matthews of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Evan Karanovich of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Cynthia Jenkins of Coweta County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable David Andrew Hamilton of Oconee County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Jennifer Guynn of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Quinntez Gurndy of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Cayanna Good of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Christy Ellerbee of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Kathy Colbenson of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Matthew Mann Campbell of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Semba Brittian of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023.

The Honorable Marisa Simpson of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Allen Hodge of Washington County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable James Carter III of Henry County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 10th District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Garnett Lewis Johnson of Richmond County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 12th District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Jay Jerome Wells of Miller County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 2nd District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Brenton Drew Ellenburg of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 11th District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Mulham Shbeib of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Alton Russell of Muscogee County, as a member of the Board of Corrections, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025.

The Honorable Duke C. Blackburn of Coweta County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 3, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/4/2025.

The Honorable Jimmie Cason Bowen, Jr. of Tift County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 8, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025.

The Honorable James Nicholas Ayers of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027.

The Honorable Winburn E. "Brother" Stewart, Jr. of Bibb County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 8, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027.

The Honorable Delos Yancey of Floyd County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 14, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027.

The Honorable Alfred "Bill" Jones of Glynn County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 14, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027.

The Honorable Patrick Brian Denney of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 3, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027.

The Honorable William G. Sloan, Jr. of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2023.

The Honorable Anne Cardella of Lowndes County, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2023.

The Honorable Kenneth Dyer of Dougherty County, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2023.

The Honorable John F. Godbee, Jr. of Bulloch County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Foresters, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025.

The Honorable Jesse Walter Johnson of Oglethorpe County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Foresters, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025.

The Honorable Robert Sebastian Cowles III of Greene County, as a member of the Board of Public Health, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2023.

The Honorable Kathryn Kilpatrick Cheek of Muscogee County, as a member of the Board of Public Health, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2023.

The Honorable John M. Haupert of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Public Health, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2023.

The Honorable Kenneth Eugene Sheppard of Toombs County, as a member of the State Forestry Commission, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 1/1/2025.

The Honorable Benjamin Lamar Gillis of Laurens County, as a member of the State Forestry Commission, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 1/1/2023.

The Honorable Neera Bahl of Cobb County, as a member of the State Board of Workers' Compensation, for the term of office beginning 8/17/2020, and ending 7/8/2024.

The Honorable Wilson Benjamin Garrett of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 7/1/2022.

The Honorable William Russell of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/18/2024.

The Honorable Brian Daniel of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/18/2024.

The Honorable Stanley Aaron McWhorter of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/18/2024.

The Honorable Janelle Lashaun King of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 6, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/19/2025.

The Honorable William Bryan White of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 11, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/19/2025.

The Honorable Barry H. Babb of Fayette County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 13, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/19/2025.

The Honorable Mandi Ballinger of Cherokee County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Rich Vandever of Fulton County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Douglas Silvia of Gordon County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Gerard Armorer of DeKalb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Shannon K. Dunlap of Troup County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Rachel Davidson of DeKalb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Burt Reeves of Cobb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Martin Patrick Ferrell of Cobb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Katie Marie Gropper of Cobb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Megan Bambrey Horton of Coweta County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Ellison G. Wood of Bulloch County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable J. Craig Tully of Miller County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Joseph M. Terrell of Habersham County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Nicholas Dwayne Ellis of Wayne County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Leonard Meadows of Ware County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Brandon Shaw Seigler of DeKalb County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Carol Williams of Clarke County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Holley Morris Roberts of Baldwin County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable James Victor Atkins, Jr. of Richmond County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Elizabeth Jordan Frobos of Hall County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Thomas Jeffrey Clark of Columbia County, as a member of the Fort Gordon Citizens Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Sheila Mobley McNeill of Glynn County, as a member of the Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Peter Lincoln Jones of Muscogee County, as a member of the Fort Benning Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Kay Kirkpatrick of Cobb County, as a member of the Dobbins Air Reserve Base Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2022.

The Honorable Justin Keith Strickland of Dougherty County, as a member of the Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable John Woodward Gayle of Lowndes County, as a member of the Moody Air Force Base Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Henry Childs of Houston County, as a member of the Robbins Air Force Base Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Allen Brown of Liberty County, as a member of the Fort Stewart Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2023.

The Honorable Everett C. Kennedy III of Bulloch County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia for Congressional District 12, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable Harold Reid Reynolds of Greene County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia for Congressional District 10, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable T. Dallas Smith of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable Lowery Houston May of Floyd County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia for Congressional District 14, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable Joe Cade Joiner of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable Glenn Maron of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Dentistry, for the term of office beginning 9/15/2020, and ending 8/29/2024.

The Honorable Nicholas Marine of Cobb County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Master Plumbers and Journeyman Plumbers, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024.

The Honorable Roland S. Weekley of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Electrical Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024.

The Honorable Earl Graham of Barrow County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Electrical Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024.

The Honorable Laura W. English of Butts County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Utility Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024.

The Honorable Bruce Kevin Price of Oconee County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Tammy Bryant of Thomas County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023.

The Honorable Merry W. Fort of Bibb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023.

The Honorable Stephanie Renee Dickerson of Jasper County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 6/1/2022.

The Honorable Roger Jerome Pierce, Jr. of Grady County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023.

The Honorable Maceo McDonald Tanner of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023.

The Honorable Van Dupree Council of Cherokee County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023.

The Honorable Barbara Jo Neville of Fulton County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023.

The Honorable Tomieka R. Daniel of Houston County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023.

The Honorable Janét Paulsen of Cobb County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023.

The Honorable Braford Lee Rigby of Crisp County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023.

The Honorable David James Burge of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 5th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Donna Armstrong Lackey of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 3rd Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Tung Quang Le of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 7th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2023.

The Honorable Charlie M. Addox of Clarke County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 10th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Hershel Vincent Clanton of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Superior Court Clerks' Retirement Fund of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2023.

The Honorable John Hampton Irby of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Lottery Corporation, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/22/2025.

The Honorable Mark Wenzel Hennessey of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/22/2025.

The Honorable Leonte Bernard Leonta of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of Education for the 13th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 1/1/2023.

The Honorable Bob Martin of Irwin County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 5, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025.

The Honorable Vikki Townsend Consiglio of Henry County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 4, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 4/15/2021.

The Honorable Kerry Van Moore of Coffee County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 3, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025.

The Honorable Edwin Ray Nix of White County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 2, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025.

The Honorable Jason Winters of Chattooga County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 1, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025.

The Honorable Patrick Matthew Davey of Fulton County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025.

The Honorable Lana Poynor Cavassa of Fulton County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025.

The Honorable Stephen Michael Bauman of Fulton County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025.

The Honorable Jason Douglas Dickens of Oconee County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025.

The Honorable Saxena Rajeev of Laurens County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers-Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024.

The Honorable Gary Keith Massey of Newton County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers-Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024.

The Honorable Darryl Anthony Hicks of Fayette County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers-Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024.

The Honorable James Stephen Lydon of Pierce County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers-Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024.

The Honorable Virgil Ergle of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023.

The Honorable Philamenia Rivers of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023.

The Honorable T. Kay Kendrick of McDuffie County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023.

The Honorable Amy Cooper Smith of Columbia County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023.

The Honorable Jacqueline Brooke Jones of Lumpkin County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023.

The Honorable Shawnzia Thomas of DeKalb County, as a member of the State Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Equal Opportunity Commission, for the term of office beginning 10/15/2020, and ending 10/14/2023.

The Honorable Lisa Colbert of Chatham County, as a member of the Board of Juvenile Justice for Congressional District 1, for the term of office beginning 10/19/2020, and ending 7/6/2026.

The Honorable Gary A. Yandura of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Juvenile Justice for Congressional District 6, for the term of office beginning 10/19/2020, and ending 7/6/2021.

The Honorable Coy Heath Elliott of Seminole County, as a member of the Board of Community Supervision, for the term of office beginning 10/19/2020, and ending 6/30/2022.

The Honorable Richard Bennett of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dentistry, for the term of office beginning 10/20/2020, and ending 10/14/2025.

The Honorable Dave Meldrum of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2024.

The Honorable Gloria Jean Ethridge of Carroll County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2024.

The Honorable Secundia Angelic Moore of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2024.

The Honorable Kathy Cooper of Hall County, as a consumer member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2025.

The Honorable Jeanmarie Holmes of Habersham County, as a member of the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Commission, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 7/1/2025.

The Honorable Jerry Warsham of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Commission, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2025.

The Honorable William Todd Groce of Chatham County, as a member of the State Board for the Certification of Librarians, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025.

The Honorable Alicia Brown MacKinney of Forsyth County, as a member of the State Board for the Certification of Librarians, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025.

The Honorable Casey Shaefer Vance of Carroll County, as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024.

The Honorable Amy Washinger Arnold of Oconee County, as a member of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2023.

The Honorable Leigh Perdue Hunnicutt of Habersham County, as a member of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2023.

The Honorable Kelley Luthi Claas of Oconee County, as a member of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2023.

The Honorable Nancy Kennedy of Hancock County, as a member of the State Board of Funeral Service, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2026.

The Honorable Julianne Busbee of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025.

The Honorable William Alexander Wright of Lowndes County, as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025.

The Honorable Tripp Mitchell of Carroll County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024.

The Honorable Anthony J. Biello of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/28/2024.

The Honorable Thomas Neils Culpepper of Bartow County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024.

The Honorable Timothy Michael Smith of Newton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024.

The Honorable George Douglas Bratcher of Columbia County, as a consumer member of the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025.

The Honorable Lawton Thomas Lord of Oconee County, as a member of the State Board of Cemeterians, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2026.

The Honorable Dorothy Harris of Ben Hill County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Evan Nodvin of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Nandi Isaac of Bibb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Teresa Heard of Lee County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Sukie Glick of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Lisa Marie Newbern of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Nicholaus Perez Perry of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Wesley Fountain Ford of Newton County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Rena Laurel Harris of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Judy Lynn Gardner of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 10/28/2024.

The Honorable Barby J. Simmons, D.O., of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 10/28/2024.

The Honorable Thomas Mills Fleming of Chatham County, as a member of the Bona Fide Coin Operator Amusement Machine Operator Advisory Board, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 4/10/2021.

The Honorable Wes Lewis of Putnam County, as a member of the Board of Human Services, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2023.

The Honorable Randall P. Smith of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Human Services, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2023.

The Honorable Deborah Hibben of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2024.

The Honorable Kelvin King of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Joseph Alonso of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Humanities Council-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Kelly McAloon of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 10/4/2023.

The Honorable Ashoo Sharma of Cherokee County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Robert Dawkins of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Karen Johnston of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Russell Crutchfield of Coweta County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Roger Folsom of Laurens County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Russ Childers of Sumter County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Norman L. Boyd of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Allana Cummings of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Kenneth Davis of Floyd County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Francis "Abit" Massey of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Humanities Council-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Travis Stegall of Glynn County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Angela Hsu of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Sugandha Yadav of Camden County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023.

The Honorable Pedro Piercie Cherry of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Katherine K. Monti of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Carl Lee Powell of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Dr. Steve Wrigley of Clarke County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable Greg Dozier of Newton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable Lynne Riley of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable Greg Griffin of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable Kelly Farr of Forsyth County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable David Curry of Henry County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable Steve McCoy of Forsyth County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position.

The Honorable Andrew H. Krantz of Cherokee County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025.

The Honorable David Wren of Lee County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025.

The Honorable James Douglas Hollandsworth of Walton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025.

The Honorable Ronald Alpert of Butts County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025.

The Honorable Mary E. Watkins of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025.

The Honorable Brian Strickland of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their term in office.

The Honorable Bonnie Rich of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their term in office.

The Honorable Houston Gaines of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their term in office.

The Honorable Shawn LaGrua of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 5/9/2024.

The Honorable Emory Palmer of Coweta County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 5/9/2024.

The Honorable Cassius F. Butts of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 6/1/2024.

The Honorable Matthew B. Connolly of Fulton County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 8/31/2024.

The Honorable Anna Chafin of Bryan County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Committee, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2026.

The Honorable Don Anthony Grantham, Jr. of Columbia County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Committee, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 12/1/2021.

The Honorable William Pope Hightower of Haralson County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Committee, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2026.

The Honorable James L. Adkins, Jr. of Columbia County, as a member of the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 1/6/2024.

The Honorable Kathleen Meyer Patterson of Oconee County, as a member of the Non-Public Postsecondary Education Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 6/1/2023.

The Honorable Faye Perdue of Meriwether County, as a member of the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Services Board, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2023.

The Honorable Vincent F. Martin of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Services Board, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2023.

The Honorable Brenda Rice Thompson of Madison County, as a member of the Georgia Real Estate Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2025.

The Honorable Abigail Morgan Coggin of Newton County, as a member of the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2023.

The Honorable Stephen Brian Stirmans of Lanier County, as a member of the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2021.

The Honorable Mark Cundiff Johnson, M.D. of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia Behavioral Health Reform and Innovation Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/10/2020, and ending 9/25/2021.

The Honorable Thomas Mills Fleming of Chatham County, as a member of the Bona Fide Coin Operator Amusement Machine Operator Advisory Board, for the term of office beginning 11/10/2020, and ending 4/10/2021.

The Honorable Kent Fountain of Wayne County, as a member of the Georgia Seed Development Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 6/1/2022.

The Honorable Ben Copeland, Jr. of Macon County, as a member of the Georgia Seed Development Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 6/1/2022.

The Honorable Rashelle Centor Berry of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 5/30/2024.

The Honorable Amy Owen Reeves of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Healthcare Workforce, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2026.

The Honorable Michael Joseph Groover of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Healthcare Workforce, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2026.

The Honorable Joe Wilkinson of Fulton County, as a member of the Jekyll Island State Park Authority, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2024.

The Honorable William H. Gross of Camden County, as a member of the Jekyll Island State Park Authority, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2024.

The Honorable Cecil Hamby Cordle of Tift County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/21/2021.

The Honorable Charles Edward Page of Cherokee County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 10/31/2025.

The Honorable Robert Moore Weaver of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Trustee of the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund, for the term of office beginning 11/15/2020, and ending 11/12/2026.

The Honorable Yi Jeng Lin of Fulton County, as a member of the State Properties Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending 4/1/2021.

The Honorable Calder Benjamin Clay III of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending 11/12/2025.

The Honorable Chris Wells of Cobb County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Tyrone Oliver of Newton County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Greg Dozier of Newton County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable John Charles Kubinec of Houston County, as a member of the Veterans Service Board, for the term of office beginning 11/23/2020, and ending 11/23/2027.

The Honorable Tyler Adams of Fulton County, as a member of the Capitol Arts Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/23/2020, and ending 10/14/2022.

The Honorable Rachel Louise Dodsworth of Cobb County, as a member of the Capitol Arts Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/23/2020, and ending 10/14/2022.

The Honorable Andrew Paul Carrier of Richmond County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/31/2023.

The Honorable Annjeanen Trisa Smith of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/31/2023.

The Honorable Jacqueline Michelle Brown Pinkney of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/31/2023.

The Honorable John Christopher Bleacher, M.D. of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/6/2024.

The Honorable Downing Musgrove Barber of Oconee County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 5/21/2022.

The Honorable Joshua Y. Batson of Lowndes County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/11/2023.

The Honorable J. Kenneth Morrow of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Agricultural Education Advisory Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/11/2023.

The Honorable Wayne E. Shannon of Tift County, as a member of the Agricultural Education Advisory Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/11/2023.

The Honorable Micah Story of Clarke County, as a member of the Agricultural Education Advisory Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/11/2023.

The Honorable Perry T. Walden of Walton County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 8/14/2025.

The Honorable Larry "Bo" Benton of Jones County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 8/14/2025.

The Honorable Tom C. Rawlings of DeKalb County, as a member of the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Honorable Jon Mikel Williams of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Landscape Architects, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/1/2024.

The Honorable Charles Garbutt of Laurens County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 11/11/2025.

The Honorable Ted Noe of Floyd County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 11/11/2025.

The Honorable Ray Lambert, Jr. of Henry County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/1/2028.

The Honorable Gary Clark Vowell, Sr. of Irwin County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 8/3/2027.

The Honorable Anne Kaiser of Fulton County, as a member of the Technical College Systems of Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 6/30/2025.

The Honorable Mary P. Flanders of Chatham County, as a member of the Technical College Systems of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 6/30/2025.

The Honorable Baoky Vu of DeKalb County, as a member of the Technical College Systems of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 6/30/2025.

The Honorable Robert Joseph of Fulton County, as a member of the State Personnel Board, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/3/2026.

The Honorable Sachin Shailendra of Clayton County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 1/1/2028.

The Honorable Clayton Huffman of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 6/30/2023.

The Honorable Charles Cole of Forsyth County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 6/30/2024.

The Honorable Craig Smith of Hall County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 6/30/2024.

The Honorable Donna Seagraves of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Public Defender Council, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 12/31/2024.

The Honorable James E. “Trey” Allen of Columbia County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Lottery Corporation, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 12/31/2025.

The Honorable Ashley Addison of Bryan County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 6/30/2024.

The Honorable Jason Ivey Reeves of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration of Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 12/31/2024.

The Honorable Duff Ayers of Jenkins County, as a member of the Ogeechee Circuit Public Defender Supervisory Panel, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 12/31/2025.

The Honorable Matt Wilson Donaldson of Emanuel County, as a member of the State Board of Education for Congressional District 12, for the term of office beginning 1/4/2021, and ending 1/1/2028.

The Honorable Stanley Wade DeJarnett of Morgan County, as a member of the State Board of Education for Congressional District 10, for the term of office beginning 1/4/2021, and ending 1/1/2028.

The Honorable Don Anthony Grantham, Jr. of Columbia County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Commission for Congressional District 12, for the term of office beginning 1/5/2021, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable Anne K. Smith of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/5/2025.

The Honorable David M.G. Maschke of Dougherty County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/5/2025.

The Honorable Melissa Cantrell of Pickens County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/5/2025.

The Honorable Craig R. Buckley of Emanuel County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/15/2023.

The Honorable Patricia J. Brown of Fayette County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 1/7/2026.

The Honorable Neil S. Wyche of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2024.

The Honorable Taylor Wright of Cobb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 8/28/2025.

The Honorable William Womack of DeKalb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 8/28/2025.

The Honorable Darien M. Sykes of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2023.

The Honorable Elmo Richardson of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2025.

The Honorable L. Russell Pennington of DeKalb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2023.

The Honorable L. Dan Davis of Fayette County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2021.

The Honorable Julianne C. Busbee of Fayette County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/20/2025.

The Honorable Daniel Edwin Rampey of Barrow County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Bryan Vincent Hunter of Peach County, as a member of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards Training Council, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 4/7/2021.

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The Honorable Kimberly Ann Pitsenbarger of Houston County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Edward “Chap” Nelson III of Jones County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Mark Shane Mobley of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Barbara Byron Mitchell of Sumter County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Shanna Boss Dupree of Bleckley County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Staci McNeely Kennedy of Bulloch County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024.

The Honorable Timothy Wayne Trotter of Bibb County, as a member of the State Constitution Licensing Board- Division of Low-Voltage Contractors, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2025.

The Honorable Linda P. McWhorter of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/1/2027.

The Honorable Stephen Branson Adams of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 7/10/2022.

The Honorable Jake Albert Futch of Bulloch County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Funeral Service, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2027.

The Honorable Margaret Ellen Heap of Chatham County, as a member of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles, for the term of office beginning 1/19/2021, and ending 12/31/2027.

The Honorable Todd Martin Tolbert of Monroe County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 6/30/2025.

The Honorable Jerrold Lewis Page of Hall County, as a member of the State Board of Registration of Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 6/30/2022.

The Honorable Randy L. Dellinger of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 7, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 1/1/2028.

The Honorable Eric Ray Burrell of Franklin County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Commission for Congressional District 9, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 3/15/2022.

The Honorable Alton Laman Lawson of Emanuel County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 1/21/2026.

The Honorable Thomas C. Bobbitt III of Laurens County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Magistrates Retirement Fund of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 7/1/2021.

The Honorable James Richard Lientz, Jr. of Fulton County, as a member of the Private Colleges and Universities Authority, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 1/1/2026.

The Honorable James Edmund Kitchens of Coffee County, as a member of the Board of Community Supervision, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 6/30/2021.

The Honorable Michael Robert Crane of Coweta County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 1/22/2026.

The Honorable Thomas “Mike” Phelps, Jr. of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 1/22/2026.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-1.3, all appointments were referred to the Committee on Assignments.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Kirkpatrick was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Goodman of the 8th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Goodman was excused.

Senator Thompson of the 14th asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbin of the 16th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbin was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Miller |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Parent |
| Au | Hatchett | Payne |
| Beach | Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Ginn | McNeill | Walker |
| Gooch | Merritt | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Goodman (Excused) | Harbin (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Lucas (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Kristin Heiden of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Orrock of the 36th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Anurag Sahu, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 9. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Pastor Alexander Ikomoni and Pastor Angela Ikomoni on their 30th wedding anniversary and vow renewal; and for other purposes.

SR 10. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 10th, Jackson of the 2nd, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Lola Mae Carmichael; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the House:

HB 61. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Tarvin of the 2nd and Ridley of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize Whitfield County, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 26, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, January 27, 2021
Sixth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolution of the House:

HR 31. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 20. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 11 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Child Advocate for the Protection of Children Act," so as to revise the composition of the Child Advocate Advisory Committee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 21. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of

Stonecrest in DeKalb County, approved April 21, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3538), as amended, so as to limit the mayor to voting only in the event of a tie of the council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 22. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to provide a code of ethics; to establish a board of ethics; to revise the authority, roles, and responsibilities of the chairperson, the board of commissioners, and the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 23. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th, Harrell of the 40th, Halpern of the 39th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state and other flags, so as to provide that local governments may relocate, remove, conceal, obscure, or alter certain monuments; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 24. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to minimum wage, so as to revise certain provisions regarding the minimum wage law; to provide for an increase in the minimum wage; to provide for annual minimum wage increases to match the rising cost of living; to provide a credit toward the minimum wage for employers of tipped workers; to eliminate various eligibility exemptions from the minimum wage; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 25. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 2nd, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, and computation of income tax, so as to increase the value of a tax credit based on the federal tax credit for certain child and dependent care expenses to 100 percent of such federal tax credit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 26. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Au of the 48th, Jones II of the 22nd, Merritt of the 9th, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for absentee ballot drop boxes at every advance voting location; to provide for requirements and procedures regarding such drop boxes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SR 20. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that legislative and congressional reapportionment be done by an independent nonpartisan commission instead of the General Assembly; to provide for related matters; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Reapportionment and Redistricting.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 61. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Tarvin of the 2nd and Ridley of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize Whitfield County, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to

provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Goodman of the 8th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Goodman was excused.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that Senator Walker III of the 20th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Walker III was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Orrock |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Ginn | McNeill | Watson |
| Gooch | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Goodman (Excused) | James (Excused) | Lucas (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Walker III (Excused) | Hickman |
| Payne | | |

Senator Hickman of the 4th was off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wished to be recorded as present.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Brass of the 28th introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Tamarkus Cook of Newnan, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Harrell of the 40th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Alex Gross, M.D.

The President introduced the Mayor of Atlanta, Keisha Lance Bottoms. Mayor Bottoms addressed the Senate briefly.

The President recognized former President Pro Tempore of the Senate, Tommie Williams, who addressed the Senate briefly.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 12. By Senator Butler of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Richard I. Berkowitz upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 13. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ann Caggins; and for other purposes.

SR 14. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ann Watson on her outstanding service as a longtime Marion School Board member; and for other purposes.

SR 15. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Stanley Goodroe on his outstanding service; and for other purposes.

SR 16. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ashlei Brown; and for other purposes.

SR 17. By Senators Seay of the 34th, James of the 35th, Jones of the 10th, Anderson of the 43rd and Davenport of the 44th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of JoAnn A. Johnson-Reaves; and for other purposes.

SR 18. By Senators Seay of the 34th, James of the 35th, Jones of the 10th, Anderson of the 43rd and Davenport of the 44th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Velma Edith Smith; and for other purposes.

SR 19. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Pastor Michael Coley on the occasion of his 23rd pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

SR 21. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Strickland of the 17th and Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing 2021 as the Newton County, Georgia, bicentennial and celebrating the 200th anniversary of Newton County; and for other purposes.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

House Resolution 31
By: Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

PART I

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that, except as

otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly, meetings of the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly during the period of Wednesday, January 27, 2021, through Monday, February 8, 2021, shall be held in accordance with the following schedule:

Wednesday, January 27 ..... convene for legislative day 6
Thursday, January 28..... convene for legislative day 7
Friday, January 29 ..... convene for legislative day 8

Monday, February 1 ..... convene for legislative day 9
Tuesday, February 2 ..... convene for legislative day 10
Wednesday, February 3..... convene for legislative day 11
Thursday, February 4..... convene for legislative day 12

Monday, February 8 ..... convene for legislative day 13

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House of Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours for convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the Senate. Each house, upon its own adjournment for a legislative day, shall remain in a period of adjournment until it convenes for the next legislative day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on and after the latest legislative day specified above, the schedule for meetings of the 2021 regular session may be as provided by another resolution of the General Assembly adopted subsequent to the adoption of this resolution.

PART II

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, and the Governor has by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with Code Section 38-3-52, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at such temporary location or locations in accordance with Code Sections 38-3-52 and 38-3-53 on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting

from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, but the Governor has not by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with the above, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall provide for prompt notice of the same to all members of the House of Representatives and all members of the Senate, respectively, by such means as such officers deem practical and efficient; and each house shall be and remain in adjournment until convening for the next legislative day on the date certain jointly specified by such officers. Following such reconvening, the General Assembly may provide by joint resolution for a new schedule for meetings and adjournments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as to any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the adoption of this resolution by the General Assembly shall constitute the consent of both the House of Representatives and the Senate for purposes of Article III, Section IV, Paragraph I(b) of the Constitution.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| E Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 48, nays 0, and the resolution was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 28, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, January 28, 2021
Seventh Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 27. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Hatchett of the 50th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

SB 28. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Strickland of the 17th, Dixon of the 45th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 and Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code and domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children; to require annual training for juvenile court intake officers; to provide for the consideration of evidence, including hearsay evidence, in certain juvenile proceedings; to revise provisions relative to the Juvenile Code and the reporting of child abuse; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 29. By Senator Anavitarte of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the submission of certain forms of identification by electors with absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 30. By Senators Beach of the 21st and Harbison of the 15th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide for pari-mutuel horse racing in this state at a limited number of licensed equestrian centers; to create the Georgia Horse Racing Commission; to provide for the comprehensive regulation of pari-mutuel and related activities; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to enter into the Interstate Compact on Licensure of Participants in Live Racing with Pari-mutuel Wagering; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 31. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Hickman of the 4th, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Dolezal of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the care and protection of indigent and elderly patients, so as to provide for the establishment of a pilot program to conduct a simulated exchange for health care facilities to purchase and sell charity care credits to meet their charity care requirements; to provide for definitions; to provide for the design of the simulated exchange; to provide for a report; to provide for penalties for nonparticipation; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 32. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Robertson of the 29th, Burke of the 11th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure not required, so as to exempt certain personal records of state and federal employees from public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 33. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding torts, so as to provide a cause of action against perpetrators for victims of human trafficking; to provide for definitions; to provide a cause of action against certain perpetrators of human trafficking by the Attorney General on behalf of the state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 34. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to name change, so as to provide that victims of human trafficking may petition for name change under seal; to provide for a definition; to provide for determination by the court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 35. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 10th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the qualifications of poll officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 36. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Jordan of the 6th, Harrell of the 40th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide a definition; to provide for the development of a pilot program for the provision of grants for rural counties for the purpose of establishing and funding the operation of advance voting location in such counties; to provide for criteria for such grants and the assessment of the effectiveness of such pilot program; to provide for certain reports; to provide for a funding contingency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 37. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jordan of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections, so as to enact the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote; to allow states to join together to establish an interstate compact to elect the president by national popular vote; to provide for the implementation of such compact; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 38. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 2nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide for a permanent absentee voter list; to provide for procedures regarding such list; to provide for maintenance of such list; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 39. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jackson of the 41st, Rahman of the 5th, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 21-2-216 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to qualifications of electors generally, reregistration of electors purged from list, eligibility of nonresidents who vote in presidential elections, retention of qualification for standing as elector, evidence of citizenship, and check of convicted felons and deceased persons databases, so as to provide that convictions for offenses involving the purchase, possession, or

control of certain controlled substances shall not prevent persons from registering, remaining registered, or voting; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 40. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the time and method for opening and tabulating absentee ballots; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 41. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd and Jackson of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 47 and 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to retirement and pensions and revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to create the Tax Commissioners Retirement Fund of Georgia; to provide for a board; to provide for a charge on delinquent or defaulted tax notices; to provide for the collection and remittance of such amounts; to provide for refunds of contributions with interest; to provide for conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide that a portion of title ad valorem tax fees, penalties, and interest shall be remitted to the retirement fund instead of the county general fund; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SB 42. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harbison of the 15th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," so as to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SR 26. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Tillery of the 19th, Kennedy of the 18th, Dugan of the 30th, Harbin of the 16th and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the state to incur general obligation debt in order to make loans or grants to certain counties, municipalities, consolidated governments, local authorities, and local commissions that own airports for the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of such airports; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SR 27. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Jones of the 25th, Brass of the 28th, Dolezal of the 27th, Harper of the 7th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Dr. Charles Frazier Stanley and dedicating a road in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 28. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A RESOLUTION requesting that the United States Congress call a convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SR 29. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION applying for a convention of the states under Article V of the United States Constitution; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SR 30. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A RESOLUTION appointing Matthew Mashburn to the State Election Board; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 6 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 9 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 61 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Butler of the 55th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Butler was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Goodman of the 8th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Goodman was excused.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Jackson of the 2nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 10th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Parent |
| Au | Hatchett | Payne |
| Beach | Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Gooch | McNeill | Watson |
| Halpern | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Butler (Excused) | Goodman (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Lucas (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Tippins (Excused) | | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Warren Dillon of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Jordan of the 6th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Randy Rizor, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 22. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Multi-Agency Alliance for Children; and for other purposes.

SR 23. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Strickland of the 17th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Hemophilia of Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 24. By Senators Albers of the 56th and Payne of the 54th:

A RESOLUTION commending Lindsey King, Curriculum Associates' 2021 National Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

SR 25. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Beach of the 21st, Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 9, 2021, as Chase Elliott Day; and for other purposes.

SR 31. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend Jasper W. Williams Jr. upon the grand occasion of his 57th pastoral anniversary; and for other purposes.

SR 32. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Robertson of the 29th, Payne of the 54th, Strickland of the 17th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending NewLife Radio upon the grand occasion of its 25th anniversary; and for other purposes.

SR 33. By Senators Payne of the 54th and Tippins of the 37th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing January 27 and 28, 2021, as Advanced Placement Days at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 35. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Gooch of the 51st and Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION commending the Georgia Institute of Technology and the Northeast Georgia Health System and expressing appreciation for their efforts to provide a COVID-19 Surveillance Testing Program for the Georgia General Assembly; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess until such time that it receives a message from the House that it has passed the amended Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Bill, and that the Senate reconvene upon receipt of the message for the purpose of first reading and assigning the bill to committee, after which the Senate stand in recess until 4:00 p.m., at which time the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 29, 2021.

The consent was granted and the President announced that the motion prevailed at 10:39 a.m.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 28, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Marty Harbin** to serve as an **Ex-Officio for the Senate Veterans, Military and Homeland Security Committee** for the meeting on January 28, 2021 at 8am.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

At 1:30 p.m. the President called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof, and read:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the House:

HB 80. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 80. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SR 30 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Pursuant to a previous motion, the President announced at 1:32 p.m. that the Senate stood in recess until 4:00 p.m., then would adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 29, 2021.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Friday, January 29, 2021
Eighth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

Date: 1/14/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 11.

Signed: /s/ Bruce Thompson District: 14

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Michael Rhett
(Primary Author)

Date: 1/28/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 42.

Signed: /s/ Billy Hickman District: 4

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Jeff Mullis
(Primary Author)

Date: 1/28/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 28 and SB 29.

Signed: /s/ Kay Kirkpatrick District: 32

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Bill Cowsert
(Primary Author)

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 43. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, so as to provide that certain actions by health care insurers offering eye care benefit plans constitute unfair trade practices; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 44. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Mullis of the 53rd, McNeill of the 3rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, so as to establish a specialty license plate honoring Support Our Troops, Inc.; to provide for related matters; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 45. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of professions and businesses, so as to provide for individuals who move to the state and establish residency to obtain a license by endorsement to practice certain professions and occupations in this state; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 46. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to authorize certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; to provide for vaccination information to third parties under certain public health conditions; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, so as to revise certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccines under vaccine protocol agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 47. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts;

to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 48. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Harbin of the 16th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for two types of special and distinctive license plates for disabled veterans; to authorize parking in specially designated parking areas upon display of certain special and distinctive license plates for disabled veterans; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 49. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 24th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to standards and requirements for construction, alteration, etc. of buildings and other structures, so as to provide procedures for alternative plan review, permitting, and inspection by private professional providers so as to allow applicants to elect whether to retain, at their own expense, a private professional provider to provide required plan reviews or inspections of certain buildings; to provide for fees; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SR 36. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Dolezal of the 27th, Harbin of the 16th, Jones of the 25th and Summers of the 13th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that members of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia chosen from each congressional district of the state shall be elected by members of the General Assembly and at-large members of the board of regents shall be appointed by the Governor; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other

purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SR 37. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th, Harbin of the 16th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Gooch of the 51st and Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that members of the Senate shall serve four-year terms of office; to provide that members of the House of Representatives shall be limited to serving six consecutive terms of office; to provide that members of the Senate shall be limited to serving three consecutive terms of office; to provide that no person shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms as Lieutenant Governor; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 11 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 6 SB 9 SR 30

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the call of the roll be dispensed with. The consent was granted, and the roll call was dispensed with.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Orrock of the 36th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Taryn Strauss of

Atlanta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Rana Munna, M.D.

The President recognized former Senator Don Balfour.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 38. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Tony Ingle; and for other purposes.

SR 40. By Senator Jackson of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Malcolm Gilbert Thomas Sr.; and for other purposes.

SR 41. By Senator Jackson of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ralph Edgar Hardy Jr.; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Friday January 29, 2021
Eighth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 61 Payne of the 54th
**WHITFIELD COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize Whitfield County, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| E Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 46, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Payne of the 54th moved that HB 61 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 61 was immediately transmitted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 31 until 10:00 a.m. Monday, February 1, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, February 1, 2021
Ninth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

January 14, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint the following Senate members to serve the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Overview "MARTOC" Committee:

**Senator Lee Anderson**
**Senator Nan Orrock**
**Senator Clint Dixon**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 50. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd and Sims of the 12th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for a program of premium assistance to enable eligible individuals to obtain health care coverage; to provide for definitions; to require personal responsibility premiums from eligible individuals; to provide for a compliance pool; to provide for any necessary state plan amendments or federal waivers; to provide for termination of the program under certain circumstances; to provide for the Legislative Oversight Committee for Health Care Premium Assistance; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 51. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Harbin of the 16th, Payne of the 54th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to other educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to authorize home study students in grades six through 12 to participate in extracurricular and interscholastic activities in the student's resident public school system; to provide that home study students shall complete one qualifying course during any semester the student participates in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity in the student's resident public school system; to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the O.C.G.A., relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 52. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for legislative findings; to provide standards for cybersecurity programs to protect businesses from liability; to provide for affirmative defenses for data breaches of private information; to provide for related matters; to provide for an

effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

SB 53. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Albers of the 56th, Butler of the 55th, Hickman of the 4th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Technology Authority, so as to provide such authority with the power and duty to establish standards for state agencies' website design, navigation, and accessibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

SB 54. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Jordan of the 6th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 9 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding child custody proceedings, so as to provide judicial discretion in determining the right of a surviving parent to custody of a child when such surviving parent is criminally charged with the murder or voluntary manslaughter of the other parent; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 55. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the O.C.G.A., relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the creation of a program to compensate in part for the wage loss sustained by any individual who is unable to work due to such individual's own sickness or injury, the sickness or injury of a family member, or the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of a new child; to create the Family Medical Leave Fund; to provide for contributions to such fund; to provide for filing determination and payment of claims; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations by the Department of Labor; to provide for related matters; to provide a contingent effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 56. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Jordan of the 6th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to require an economic analysis prior to the introduction or amendment of legislation containing tax incentives or modifying or extending existing tax incentives; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 57. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for economic analyses to be conducted by the state auditor for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 58. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jordan of the 6th, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable earned income tax credit; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SR 39. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Honorable Charlotte Nash and dedicating an intersection in her honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 42. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to create the Family Medical Leave Fund; to authorize the dedication of certain revenues to be deposited into such fund; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 11

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 25th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbin of the 16th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbin was excused.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that Senator Burke of the 11th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Burke was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbison | Miller |
| Anavitarte | Harper | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harrell | Parent |
| Anderson, T. | Hatchett | Payne |
| Au | Hickman | Rahman |
| Beach | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Brass | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jones, E. | Sims |
| Butler | Jones, H. | Strickland |
| Cowsert | Jordan | Summers |
| Davenport | Kennedy | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Tillery |
| Ginn | Lucas | Tippins |
| Gooch | McNeill | Walker |
| Goodman | Merritt | Watson |
| Halpern | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Burke (Excused) | Harbin (Excused) | Jackson, L. (Excused) |
| James (Excused) | Jones, B. (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) |
| Seay (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Dixon |
| Dolezal | | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Parent of the 42nd introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. Beth LaRocca-Pitts of Decatur, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 43. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Park Place Restaurant; and for other purposes.

SR 44. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jim's Family Restaurant; and for other purposes.

SR 45. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Choo Choo Bar-B-Que; and for other purposes.

SR 46. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Gordon Lee softball team for winning the 2021 GHSA Class A State Softball Championship; and for other purposes.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved to engross SB 6, which was on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 31, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and SB 6 was engrossed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2021
NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 6 "Tax Credit Return on Investment Act of 2021"; enact (FIN-56th)

SB 9 Courts; the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia (Substitute)(JUDY-24th)

SR 30 State Election Board; Matthew Mashburn; appoint (RULES-46th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 6, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 9. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Burns of the 23rd, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; to provide for the transfer of certain funds from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for and allocate circuit-wide costs and expenditures; to conform the county salary supplements for the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 9:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; to provide for the judges and the district attorney of said new circuit and their terms, selection, and compensation; to transfer certain judges from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for the transfer of certain funds from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for and allocate circuit-wide costs and expenditures; to conform the county salary supplements for the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to provide for the composition, terms of court, and number of judges of the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Effective July 1, 2021, there is created a new judicial circuit of the superior courts of this state to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit, which circuit shall be composed of Columbia County. There shall be a district attorney and three judges of the Columbia Judicial Circuit. The offices of the judges and district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall be subject to the following provisions:

(1) The district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall be appointed by the Governor for a term beginning July 1, 2021, and expiring December 31, 2022. A successor to the district attorney so appointed shall be elected by the voters of the Columbia Judicial Circuit at the 2022 general election, and at the general election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for appointment or election to this office in 2021 or thereafter shall be a resident of Columbia County;

(2) The Honorable James G. Blanchard, Jr., the Honorable Sheryl B. Jolly, and the Honorable J. Wade Padgett, currently judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit and residents of Columbia County, shall become judges of the Columbia Judicial Circuit. Each judge, respectively, shall serve out their current term of office for which he or she was selected, and his or her successor shall be elected by the voters of the Columbia Judicial Circuit at the nonpartisan judicial election next preceding the expiration of their term of office, and at the nonpartisan judicial election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for election to these offices shall be a resident of Columbia County; and

(3) The active judge who is senior in time of service shall serve as chief judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit.

**SECTION 1-2.**

All proceedings and litigations, civil, equitable, and criminal, pending in the Superior Court of Columbia County at such time as it was a part of the Augusta Judicial Circuit, including all complaints, pleadings, petitions, indictments, special presentments, summonses, processes, motions, writs, and mesne and final proceedings, together with all books and records of any kind or character belonging to or issued, returnable, filed, pending, or commenced in such county, shall relate to, become a part of, and be transferred to the Columbia Judicial Circuit and its jurisdiction.

**SECTION 1-3.**

In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, each judge of the superior court of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Columbia County an additional supplement to such salary and expenses in an amount equal to the aggregate total of additional supplements to the

salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by the counties of the Augusta Judicial Circuit on January 1, 2021.

**SECTION 1-4.**

In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, the district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Columbia County an additional supplement to such salary and expenses equal to the aggregate total of additional supplements to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by the counties of the Augusta Judicial Circuit on January 1, 2021.

**SECTION 1-5.**

The governing authority of Columbia County shall be authorized, but not required, to authorize the employment of assistant district attorneys, deputy district attorneys, or other attorneys, investigators, paraprofessionals, clerical assistants, victim and witness assistance personnel, and other employees or independent contractors, as authorized under Code Section 15-18-20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

**SECTION 1-6.**

(a) Effective with the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall transfer to the Columbia Judicial Circuit the sum equal to 25 percent of the amount it holds as of January 1, 2021, for costs collected pursuant to Code Section 15-23-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for court connected or court referred alternative dispute resolution programs.

(b) Effective with the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall pay over to the district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit the sum equal to the amount he or she holds as of January 1, 2021, that was secured pursuant to condemnation or forfeiture actions from criminal cases that originated from a violation of law in Columbia County.

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Effective with the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the five remaining judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit, namely, the Honorable Carl C. Brown, Jr., the Honorable Daniel J. Craig, the Honorable John Flythe, the Honorable Ashley Wright, and the successor to the Honorable Michael N. Annis, and their successors. Each judge, respectively, shall serve out their current term of office for which he or she was selected, and his or her successor shall be elected by the voters of the Augusta Judicial Circuit at the nonpartisan judicial election next preceding the expiration of their term of office, and at the nonpartisan judicial election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for election to these offices shall be a resident of Richmond County or Burke County.

**SECTION 2-2.**

(a) Except as provided for under Sections 2-3 and 2-4 of this Act:

(1) Ninety percent of the circuit-wide costs and expenditures of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be paid by Richmond County; and

(2) Ten percent of the circuit-wide costs and expenditures of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be paid by Burke County.

(b) The percentages provided for under subsection (a) of this section may be revised by an agreement in writing executed between the governing authority of Richmond County and the governing authority of Burke County.

**SECTION 2-3.**

(a) In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, each judge of the superior court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Richmond County and Burke County additional supplements in proportions provided for under subsection (b) of this section.

(b)(1) Richmond County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Richmond County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Eighty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

(2) Burke County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Burke County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Twenty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

**SECTION 2-4.**

(a) In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Richmond County and Burke County an additional supplement in proportions provided for under subsection (b) of this section.

(b)(1) Richmond County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Richmond County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Eighty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

(2) Burke County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Burke County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Twenty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Senior or retired judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit who, as of June 30, 2021, receive a retirement supplement or have been paid a retirement supplement from Columbia County, Richmond County, and Burke County shall continue to receive such supplements from such counties in the same amounts and in the same ratios as such supplements are paid as of June 30, 2021.

**SECTION 3-2.**

Any judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit who is in active service as of July 1, 2021, or who shall be appointed or elected as a judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit on or after July 1, 2021, shall, upon his or her retirement from active service and eligibility for retirement payments under a State of Georgia retirement system, receive a retirement supplement from the county or counties that comprise the Augusta Judicial Circuit as of the date such judge discontinues active service. Such retirement supplement shall be in an amount equal to the percentage that his or her State of Georgia retirement payments are to his or her last salary from the State of Georgia as an active judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit, multiplied by the aggregate county salary supplement then paid to active judges as of the date of such judge's retirement from active service.

**SECTION 3-3.**

Any judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit who is in active service as of July 1, 2021, or who shall be appointed or elected as a judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit after July 1, 2021, shall, upon his or her retirement from active service and eligibility for retirement payments under a State of Georgia retirement system, receive a retirement supplement from the county or counties that comprise the Columbia Judicial Circuit as of the date such judge discontinues active service. Such retirement supplement shall be in an amount equal to the percentage that his or her State of Georgia retirement payments are to his or her last salary from the State of Georgia as an active judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, multiplied by the aggregate county salary supplement then paid to active judges as of the date of such judge's retirement from active service.

**SECTION 3-4.**

Any retirement supplements due under this part by a judicial circuit made up of more than one county shall be paid in the same proportions as those counties divide the

payment of salary supplements to active judges of that judicial circuit.

**PART IV**
**SECTION 4-1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, is amended by revising paragraph (5) of, and adding a new paragraph to, Code Section 15-6-1, relating to composition of judicial circuits, as follows:

"(5) Augusta Judicial Circuit, composed of the Counties of Burke~~, Columbia,~~ and Richmond;"

"(11.1) Columbia Judicial Circuit, composed of the County of Columbia;"

**SECTION 4-2.**

Said article is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of, and adding a new paragraph to, Code Section 15-6-2, relating to number of superior court judges, to read as follows:

"(5) Augusta Circuit ..... ~~8~~ 5"

"(11.1) Columbia Circuit ..... 3"

**SECTION 4-3.**

Said article is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of, and adding a new paragraph to, Code Section 15-6-3, relating to terms of court, as follows:

"(5) **Augusta Circuit:**

(A) Burke County — Fourth Monday in April and October.

(B) ~~Columbia County — Fourth Monday in March and September.~~

~~(C)~~ Richmond County — Third Monday in January, March, May, July, September, and November."

"(11.1) **Columbia Circuit:**

Columbia County — Fourth Monday in March and September."

**PART V**
**SECTION 5-1.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Jones II of the 22nd and Anderson of the 24th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend the committee substitute to SB 9 by replacing line 81 with:

“Michael N. Annis, and their successors. The District Attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be Jared T. Williams and his successors. Each Judge and the District Attorney, respectively, shall serve out their”.

Senators Jones II of the 22nd and Anderson of the 24th offered the following amendment #2:
Amend committee substitute to SB 9 by inserting after line 74

Section 1-7

All staffing for all Judicial Circuit referenced herein shall be governed pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-18-28.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the Jones II amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, there were no objections, and the Jones II amendment #2 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 9, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SR 30. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A RESOLUTION appointing Matthew Mashburn to the State Election Board; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 49, nays 1.

SR 30, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, February 2, 2021
Tenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were transmitted by the Secretary:

**SECRETARY OF THE SENATE**
**353 STATE CAPITOL**
**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334**

**DAVID A. COOK**
**SECRETARY OF THE SENATE**

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February 1, 2021

The Honorable Brad Raffensperger
Secretary of State
214 State Capitol
206 Washington St. S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Secretary Raffensperger:

I have the honor to report to you the actions taken by the Georgia Senate on the appointment submitted by the Senate, pursuant to Senate Resolution 30. The following action was taken on February 1, 2021:

The Honorable Matthew Mashburn of Bartow County, as a member of the State Election Board, for the term of office beginning the day following the adjournment of the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly, and ending two years from that date. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 49, nays 1, and the nominee was confirmed.

Sincerely,

/s/ David A. Cook
David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**

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**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

February 1, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to **O.C.G.A. § 17-12-10.1**, the Senate Committee on Assignments hereby appoints the following members to serve on the **Public Defender Council Legislative Oversight Committee**. These appointments are effective immediately and shall last until an appropriate replacement is appointed.

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| **Sen. Bill Cowsert** | **Sen. Brian Strickland** | **Sen. Elena Parent** |
| **432 CAP** | **324-CLOB** | **121-A Cap** |

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 59. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 60. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th, Payne of the 54th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 5 of Chapter 9 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as revise when indemnification shall be paid in instances of a heart attack, stroke, or vascular rupture suffered by a public safety officer resulting in certain disabilities or death; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 61. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st, Merritt of the 9th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 8-3-201 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, Chapter 1 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, and Article 2 of Chapter 19 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to fair housing, general provisions regarding education, general provisions regarding labor and industrial relations, and fair employment practices, respectively, so as to prohibit discrimination based on hairstyles associated with race, color, or national origin; to provide for definitions; to provide for a civil cause of action; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 62. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Ginn of the 47th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that the name and designation of the precinct appears on every ballot; to provide for the use of holographic security devices on ballots; to provide for the storage and retention of absentee ballots by precinct with chain of custody; to provide for the manner of handling and processing ballots requiring duplication for processing; to provide for the maintenance of certain lists of absentee voters; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 63. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Kennedy of the 18th, Burns of the 23rd, Albers of the 56th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to prohibit certain actions by digital application distribution platforms with regard to application store processing services; to provide for definitions; to provide for class actions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

SB 64. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Seay of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to revise the holidays observed in Georgia; to designate the Tuesday following the first Monday in November of each year as a state holiday; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 65. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Tillery of the 19th, Harper of the 7th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to provide for the funding of the deployment of certain communications services throughout this state; to change and provide for certain definitions; to change certain provisions relating to the Universal Access Fund so as to modernize such

Act and to provide for a certain portion of such fund to be used for the deployment of broadband services in unserved areas; to provide for certain powers and duties of the Public Service Commission so as to fund contributions and distributions; to provide for limitations and sunset provisions; to provide for administration of the fund; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 66. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 and Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to education and revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to authorize a nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for the expiration of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation's authority to promote public-private partnerships and to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for grant criteria; to provide for the dissolution of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation; to revise definitions; to provide for an income tax credit for qualified education donations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 67. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the submission of identification in connection with absentee ballot applications; to provide for the submission of photocopies of voter identification documents for absentee ballot applications; to provide for requesting of absentee ballot applications through a web portal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 68. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to

revise the manner of delivery of voted absentee ballots; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 69. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide that persons desiring to register to vote or update their voter registration through an application for a driver's license or identification card shall be required to affirmatively indicate such desire on such application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 70. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that a person who votes in a general election for the office of United States Representative or United States Senator in another state and subsequently moves to this state shall be ineligible to vote in a runoff for any such offices in this state in the same election cycle; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 71. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Hickman of the 4th, McNeill of the 3rd, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the definition of "absentee elector"; to provide for reasons for voting by absentee ballot; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 72. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that county registrars shall obtain monthly from the coroner, judge of the probate court, and funeral homes in the county identifying information about persons who died in the county during the previous month; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 73. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to limit the distribution of absentee ballot applications to certain election officials and candidates; to provide for certain disclosures; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 74. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the ability of poll watchers at tabulating centers to observe the vote counting process; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SR 49. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jordan of the 6th, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A RESOLUTION urging the United States representative for Georgia's 14th Congressional District, Marjorie Taylor Greene, to resign from the 117th Congress; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 20 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Butler of the 55th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 10th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

Senator Harrell of the 40th asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Halpern | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Parent |
| Au | Harper | Payne |
| Beach | Harrell | Rahman |
| Brass | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Sims |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Strickland |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Summers |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Thompson |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Tillery |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Ginn | Lucas | Watson |
| Gooch | McNeill | |

Not answering were Senators:

| | | |
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| Dixon (Excused) | Hatchett (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Jones, E. (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Seay (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Jordan | Robertson |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

Senators: Robertson of the 29th Jordan of the 6th

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Harbin of the 16th introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Billy Smith of Zebulon, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Kelly DeGraffenreid, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 47. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harper of the 7th and Robertson of the 29th:

A RESOLUTION honoring and commending the firefighters of Georgia and recognizing February 2, 2021, as Firefighters Recognition Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 48. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending The Serving Spoon; and for other purposes.

SR 50. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Kennedy of the 18th, Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Together Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 51. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th, Lucas of the 26th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Tom McMichael upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 52. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th, Lucas of the 26th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Larry Thomson upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 3, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, February 3, 2021
Eleventh Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication were transmitted by the Secretary:

Date: 2/2/20

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 81.

Signed: /s/ Nikki Merritt District: 9th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Jeff Mullis of the 53rd
(Primary Author)

Date: 2/2/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 77.

Signed: /s/ Nikki Merritt District: 9th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Harold V. Jones II
(Primary Author)

Date: 2/2/21

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SR 28 & SR 29.

Signed: /s/ Max Burns District: 23

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Bill Cowsert
(Primary Author)

Date: 2/3/21

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 41

Signed: /s/ Carden Summers District: 13

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Chuck Hufstetler
(Primary Author)

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 75. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 44-7-23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to termination of residential lease after issuance of civil family violence order or criminal family violence order, notice, and occupancy, so as to provide for lease terminations for victims of stalking; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 76. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 and Part 4 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the O.C.G.A., relating to emergency communications authority and emergency telephone number 9-1-1 system, respectively, so as to provide for Next Generation 911 systems and services; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 35 and Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., relating to employment and training of peace officers and general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, respectively, so as to revise training requirements for communication officers; to provide for related matters; to condition effectiveness upon approval by two-thirds' majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 77. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to controlled substances, so as to provide that possession of certain quantities of marijuana constitutes a misdemeanor; to revise provisions regarding punishment; to amend Title 15, Title 16, Chapter 7 of Title 17, and Code Section 36-32-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, crimes and offenses, pretrial proceedings, and municipal court jurisdiction in marijuana possession cases, respectively, so as to provide for conforming cross-references; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 78. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 79. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to registration of voters, so as to enumerate the felonies involving moral turpitude whereby a person being convicted of such shall not register to, remain registered to, or vote; to provide for a definition; to provide that any person convicted of a felony and serving a term of incarceration, during such incarceration, shall not register to, remain registered to, or vote; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 80. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Walker III of the 20th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide for standards for utilization review; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 81. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 43rd, Dugan of the 30th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-4-37 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Office of College and Career Transitions and powers and duties, so as to change the name of the Office of College and Career Transitions to the Office of College and Career Academies; to provide for increased technical skills; to provide for collaboration between the Technical College System of Georgia and certain entities to support efforts to recruit new industries and expand existing industries; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 82. By Senators Au of the 48th, Watson of the 1st, Burke of the 11th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services, so as to clarify that the prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to also clarify that the prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SR 53. By Senators Beach of the 21st and Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide for pari-mutuel betting in this state under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 5 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 20

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Seay of the 34th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Seay was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Hatchett of the 50th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hatchett was excused.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Butler of the 55th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Butler was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Parent |
| Au | Harrell | Payne |
| Beach | Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Thompson |

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| Dugan | Jordan | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Butler (Excused) | Dixon (Excused) | Hatchett (Excused) |
| James (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Seay (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Lucas | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Halpern of the 39th introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Eric Thomas of Atlanta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The President recognized former Senator P.K. Martin.

Senator Orrock of the 36th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Florence LeCraw, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 54. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Butler of the 55th, Strickland of the 17th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Rhett of the 33rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Reverend Dr. Randy Valimont; and for other purposes.

SR 55. By Senators Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th, Burke of the 11th, Harper of the 7th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Kevin Raymond Moore on his outstanding service as an assistant principal in Lanier County; and for other purposes.

SR 56. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Thompson of the 14th, Burke of the 11th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Technology Association of Georgia Digital Health, the Georgia Chapter of the Healthcare Information Management and Systems Society, and the health information technology industry of Georgia and recognizing January 28, 2021, as Health Information Technology Day at the

state capitol; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 4, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, February 4, 2021
Twelfth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 103. By Representative Williams of the 145th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the election of members of the board of education of Baldwin County, approved April 3, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 3325), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 6143), so as to revise the compensation of the members of such board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 157. By Representatives Erwin of the 28th and Anderson of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Mount Airy; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the town; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 172. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th and Washburn of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the City of Culloden in the County of Monroe, approved October 24, 1887 (Ga. L. 1886-87, Vol. II, p. 655), as amended, particularly by an Act approved December

24, 1888 (Ga. L. 1888, p. 229), an Act approved April 4, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 5207), and an Act approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3685), so as to reduce the city council to five members; to define the term "councilmember"; to provide for four-year terms of office for the mayor and councilmembers; to provide for quorum and voting requirements of the city council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 196. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Terrell County, approved April 13, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3555), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4100), so as to change the compensation of the members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 83. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Lucas of the 26th, Au of the 48th, Rhett of the 33rd, Jones of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public assistance, so as to provide for a Medicaid public option program to provide healthcare coverage to individuals not eligible for Medicare, Medicaid, or the PeachCare for Kids Program; to provide for definitions; to provide for the establishment of the PeachCare Public Option Program; to provide requirements for the design of the program; to provide requirements for the administration and implementation of the program; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a design and actuarial study; to provide for contingent effectiveness and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SB 84. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Harper of the 7th and Robertson of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 17 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund, so as to provide that certain communications officers shall be eligible for membership in such fund; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions

for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SB 85. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-5-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hazing, so as to provide for an expanded definition of hazing; to provide for inclusion of minors as the subject of hazing; to provide for penalties; to provide for the Attorney General to bring civil actions against certain organizations regarding hazing incidents; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, so as to provide for mandatory reports of hazing related violations at schools in the state; to provide for and revise definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 86. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Payne of the 54th, Hickman of the 4th, Albers of the 56th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 87. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Tillery of the 19th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax returns and furnishing of information, so as to authorize Georgia taxpayers to make certain voluntary contributions through the income tax payment and refund process to aid and assist service disabled veterans through a qualified service disabled veterans benefit organization; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions and limitations; to require surety; to provide for the remittance of recovered funds to

the general fund; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SB 88. By Senators Goodman of the 8th, Jackson of the 2nd, Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Burns of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide that the Georgia Teacher of the Year shall be invited to serve as an advisor ex officio to the State Board of Education; to provide for a nontraditional teacher certification program for members and veterans of the United States armed forces; to provide for the Professional Standards Commission to require that teacher education programs include mandatory coursework in differentiated instruction and reading fundamentals and to promote increased student enrollment in and completion of teacher education programs offered at historically black colleges and universities in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 89. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for a chief elections assistance officer; to provide for the qualifications, appointment, supervision, and duties of such officer; to provide for election assistance coaches; to provide for the qualifications and duties of such coaches; to provide for the identification of low-performing county election superintendents; to provide for comprehensive on-site evaluation of election management practices and procedures of such low-performing counties to determine root causes of such low performance and lack of adherence to election laws and procedures; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 90. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Miller of the 49th, Jones of the 10th, Mullis of the 53rd and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to create the Georgia Commission on African American History and Culture; to provide for duties and objectives; to provide for membership and terms of office; to provide for reporting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Urban Affairs.

SR 62. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th and Rahman of the 5th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing United States Olympian Tommie Smith for his protest for human rights during the 1968 Summer Olympic Games; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 103. By Representative Williams of the 145th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the election of members of the board of education of Baldwin County, approved April 3, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 3325), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 6143), so as to revise the compensation of the members of such board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 157. By Representatives Erwin of the 28th and Anderson of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Mount Airy; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the town; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 172. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th and Washburn of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the City of Culloden

in the County of Monroe, approved October 24, 1887 (Ga. L. 1886-87, Vol. II, p. 655), as amended, particularly by an Act approved December 24, 1888 (Ga. L. 1888, p. 229), an Act approved April 4, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 5207), and an Act approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3685), so as to reduce the city council to five members; to define the term "councilmember"; to provide for four-year terms of office for the mayor and councilmembers; to provide for quorum and voting requirements of the city council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 196. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Terrell County, approved April 13, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3555), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4100), so as to change the compensation of the members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President:

The Committee on Assignments has had under consideration the appointments made by the Governor that require Senate confirmation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

That the appointments be confirmed as submitted with the exception of the first two names on the list, to wit: Hon. Richard Hyde and Hon. Bob Barr, who are currently serving terms of office on the Judicial Qualifications Commission and therefore do not require Senate confirmation.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Hon. Geoff Duncan, Chairman

Mr. President:

The Senate Committee on Assignments has had under consideration the following

appointments to the Judicial Qualifications Commission:

- Mr. James Balli appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- Hon. Robert McBurney appointed by the Supreme Court of Georgia.

and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

That the appointments be confirmed as submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Hon. Geoff Duncan, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Appropriations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 80 Do Pass by substitute
SR 26 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tillery of the 19th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 4 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 5

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Seay of the 34th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Seay was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbin of the 16th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbin was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Cowsert of the 46th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Cowsert was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Strickland of the 17th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Hatchett of the 50th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hatchett was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | McNeill |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Miller |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Mullis |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hickman | Payne |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rahman |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Rhett |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Robertson |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dugan | Jordan | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Goodman | Lucas | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Cowsert (Excused) | Hatchett (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Orrock (Excused) | Seay (Excused) | Strickland (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Dixon | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Jackson of the 41st introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Moressa Pendermon of Decatur, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Carmen Echols, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 57. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Irwin County Indians football team for winning the 2020 GHSA Class A State Football Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 58. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Albers of the 56th and Robertson of the 29th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Sheriff Randy Royal; and for other purposes.

SR 59. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Rhett of the 33rd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Jordan of the 6th and Tillery of the 19th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Barbara Truluck as a top five finalist for the American School Counselor Association's 2021 Counselor of the Year; and for other purposes.

SR 60. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A RESOLUTION commending and congratulating Lt. Colonel Crawford Hicks; and for other purposes.

SR 61. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th, Halpern of the 39th, Parent of the 42nd, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the School Social Workers Association of

Georgia for its work; and for other purposes.

SR 63. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th and Rahman of the 5th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Lewis Debreczen Vaughns Sr.; and for other purposes.

SR 64. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Henrietta Laster Jones; and for other purposes.

SR 65. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Harbison of the 15th and Rahman of the 5th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Robert Lee Davenport Sr.; and for other purposes.

SR 66. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Hickman of the 4th, Watson of the 1st, Tillery of the 19th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Centennial Celebration in Twin City, Georgia; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2021
TWELFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 20 Child Advocate Advisory Committee; composition; revise (ED&Y-54th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 20. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 11 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of

the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Child Advocate for the Protection of Children Act," so as to revise the composition of the Child Advocate Advisory Committee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

SB 20, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 31 until 10:00 a.m. Monday, February 8, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, February 8, 2021
Thirteenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore.

At 10:00 a.m. Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, announced that the Senate would stand in recess until 1:00 p.m.

At 1:00 p.m. the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/4/21

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please remove my name as a cosponsor of SB 63.

/s/ Beach of the 21st
Cc: Brass of the 28th

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 91. By Senator James of the 35th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 16 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to require local boards of education to provide feminine hygiene products to students at no charge to the students; to authorize the Department of Education to promulgate model policies and guidance for local boards of education; to provide for a

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

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 92. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties regarding the regulation of controlled substances, so as to prohibit the sale to and by minors of drug products containing dextromethorphan; to provide for definitions; to provide for proper identification; to provide for a list of finished drug products; to provide for penalties; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for state regulation; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 93. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harbin of the 16th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the use of portable and movable polling facilities in certain circumstances; to provide for standards for such facilities; to provide for certain approvals; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 94. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd, Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to rivers and river basins relative to dam safety, so as to prohibit the building of structures capable of being occupied in the inundation zone of a category II dam or a dam not classified pursuant to Code Section 12-5-375 without prior certification from a licensed engineer; to provide for definitions; to provide for licensed professional to perform and certify a breach of the inundation zone of a category II dam or a dam not classified pursuant to Code Section 12-5-375; to provide for filing of

the certified breach analysis; to provide for liability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 95. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 96. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th and Rahman of the 5th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to notaries public, so as to provide that the identification of persons for whom notaries perform notarial acts shall be evidenced satisfactorily by a valid Veterans Health Identification Card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

SB 97. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th, Rahman of the 5th and Jones II of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-66 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to determination of in-state resident status of students for tuition or fees, so as to codify the university system policy of out-of-state tuition differential waivers; to require that a certain percentage of such waivers be allowed for certain institutions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 98. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Jones of the 25th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 of the O.C.G.A., relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations for public and private financing of projects; to revise definitions; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the O.C.G.A., relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; filling of vacancies; election of chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary-treasurer; and quorum, so as to add the commissioner of transportation as an ex officio member of the Georgia Ports Authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SB 99. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Harrell of the 40th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that all advance voting locations shall be open and available for voting on the day of a primary, election, or runoff for any elector of the county to vote; to provide for procedures and requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 100. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th, Au of the 48th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe standard time year round until such time as Congress authorizes the states to observe daylight savings time; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 101. By Senators Parent of the 42nd and Jones II of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-34 of the O.C.G.A., relating to disclosure and dissemination of criminal records to private persons

and businesses, resulting responsibility and liability of the Georgia Crime Information Center, and provision of certain information to the FBI in conjunction with the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, so as to provide for a judicial procedure for purging a person's involuntary hospitalization information received by the center for the purpose of the National Instant Criminal Background Check System under certain circumstances; to change provisions relating to the retention of a person's involuntary hospitalization information; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 102. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Dugan of the 30th, Brass of the 28th, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 103. By Senators James of the 35th, Rhett of the 33rd, Butler of the 55th and Orrock of the 36th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to provide that diagnostic examinations for breast cancer shall not be treated less favorably than screening examinations for breast cancer with respect to cost-sharing requirements and treatment limitations; to provide for definitions; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SR 76. By Senator Jackson of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Study Committee on Employee Misclassification; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 44 Do Pass
SB 60 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

HB 80 SB 4 SR 26

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Butler of the 55th asked unanimous consent that Senator Halpern of the 39th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Halpern was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Hatchett of the 50th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hatchett was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Gooch | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Goodman | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Mullis |

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| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Parent |
| Au | Harper | Payne |
| Beach | Harrell | Rahman |
| Brass | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Seay |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Ginn | McNeill | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Halpern (Excused) | Hatchett (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Tippins (Excused) |
| Jones II | Lucas | |

Senator Lucas of the 26th was off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wished to be recorded as present.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Bishop Designate Matthew Brown of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Burns of the 23rd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. George Nixon, M.D.

Senator Gooch of the 51st objected to SR 77, which was removed from the Consent Calendar for Privileged Resolutions.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SR 77. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Pastor Creflo Dollar and Pastor Taffi Dollar; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 67. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Linda Gayle Porter; and for other purposes.

SR 68. By Senators Hickman of the 4th, Burns of the 23rd, Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending SFC Brad Colbert; and for other purposes.

SR 69. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Anderson of the 24th, Ginn of the 47th and Jones II of the 22nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending McDuffie County upon the grand occasion of its 150th anniversary; and for other purposes.

SR 70. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Jones II of the 22nd and Parent of the 42nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend John H. and First Lady Maudriella Mason; and for other purposes.

SR 71. By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Goodman of the 8th, Harper of the 7th, Summers of the 13th, McNeill of the 3rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Robin Nail upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 72. By Senators Hickman of the 4th, McNeill of the 3rd, Watson of the 1st, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the 75th anniversary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Swainsboro, Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 73. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Albers of the 56th, Ginn of the 47th, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Kim Cobb on her outstanding service as a Paulding County Board of Education member; and for other purposes.

SR 74. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Halpern of the 39th, Harrell of the 40th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Francine Moore on her outstanding public service; and for other purposes.

SR 75. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Virginia C. Barnett Tate; and for other purposes.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that the following bill be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities and committed to the Senate Committee on Public Safety:

SB 76. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 and Part 4 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the O.C.G.A., relating to emergency communications authority and emergency telephone number 9-1-1 system, respectively, so as to provide for Next Generation 911 systems and services; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 35 and Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., relating to employment and training of peace officers and general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, respectively, so as to revise training requirements for communication officers; to provide for related matters; to condition effectiveness upon approval by two-thirds' majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 76 was committed to the Senate Committee on Public Safety.

Pursuant to a previously agreed upon special order of business, the names of the appointments made by the Governor to various bodies were read, along with the committee report from the Committee on Assignments, previously read February 4, 2021.

The President asked unanimous consent that the Governor's appointments to various bodies be placed on the Table due to clerical errors. There was no objection, and the appointments were placed on the Table.

Pursuant to a previously agreed upon special order of business, the names of the appointments to the Judicial Qualifications Commission by the Supreme Court and the House of Representatives were read, along with the committee report from the Committee on Assignments, previously read February 4, 2021.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that one roll call suffice for the confirmation of the appointments in their entirety.

There was no objection and the Senate agreed to consider the appointments with one roll call.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the appointments be confirmed as submitted.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | E Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the appointments were confirmed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2021
THIRTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

Confirmation of the Governor’s Appointments

Confirmation of the Appointments to the Judicial Qualifications Commissions

SB 5 Professions and Businesses; patient protection measures for patients undergoing sedation in certain settings; provide (H&HS-32nd)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 5. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Au of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide patient protection measures for patients undergoing sedation in certain settings; to provide for patients under conscious sedation in dental settings and for dental procedures in medispas; to provide for patients under varying levels of sedation in physician offices and medispas; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Jordan of the 6th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SB 5 (LC 33 8466) by:

Renumbering “Section 3" as section “Section 4" and adding a new “Section 3" at Line 169 to revise Code Section 43-11-21.1 (3) as follows:

By striking the “.” at the end of Section 43-11-21.1 (3) and adding “and has demonstrated an understanding of the increased risk of nonmedical harms, like sexual assault, that can occur due to a patient or patients’ inability to protect themselves while under the effects of anesthesia.”

Senator Miller of the 49th, President Pro Tempore, assumed the Chair.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President Pro Tempore asked unanimous consent.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, Senator Jordan of the 6th called for the yeas and nays; the call was sustained, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Au | E Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | E Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 18, nays 26, and the amendment was lost.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/8/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on the amendment to SB 5. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Au of the 48th

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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|---|---|---|
| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 45, nays 0.

SB 5, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 9, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, announced the Senate adjourned at 2:19 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, February 9, 2021
Fourteenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were transmitted by the Secretary:

**SECRETARY OF THE SENATE**
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**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334**

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February 9, 2021

Honorable David Ralston
Speaker of the Georgia House
of Representatives
State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Speaker Ralston:

I have the honor to report to you the actions taken by the Georgia Senate on the appointment submitted by you that requires confirmation by the Senate. The following action was taken on February 8, 2021:

The Honorable James Balli of Cobb County, as a member of the Judicial Qualifications

Commission, for the term of office beginning 7/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 50, nays 0, and the nominee was confirmed.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Cook
David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate

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February 9, 2021

The Honorable David E. Nahmias
Chief Justice, Supreme Court of Georgia
Nathan Deal Judicial Center
330 Capitol Avenue SE
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Justice Nahmias:

I have the honor to report to you the actions taken by the Georgia Senate on the appointment submitted by the Supreme Court that requires confirmation by the Senate. The following action was taken on February 8, 2021:

The Honorable Robert C. I. McBurney of Fulton County, as a member of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, for the term of office beginning 7/1/2020, and ending 6/30/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 50, nays 0, and the nominee was confirmed.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Cook
David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 104. By Senator James of the 35th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to waste management, so as to prohibit the distribution of certain bags made of plastic film and items made of polystyrene foam by certain retail establishments; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 105. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Thompson of the 14th, Anderson of the 43rd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, and Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state-wide probation system, so as to revise the conditions and procedures under which probation may be terminated early; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 106. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Dugan of the 30th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-742 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to multi-tiered system of supports prior to suspension or expulsion for certain students, so as to include wraparound services in the multi-tiered system of supports to be provided prior to expelling or assigning a student in preschool through third grade to out-of-school suspension for more than five consecutive or cumulative days during a school year; to provide a definition of wraparound services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 107. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, so as to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including mandatory rooming and board fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 108. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, Sims of the 12th, Jones of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 30 of the O.C.G.A., relating to handicapped persons, so as to create the Commission for the Blind and the Visually Impaired; to transfer the direction and supervision of Georgia Industries for the Blind from the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency to the commission; to amend Chapter 9 of Title 49 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the transfer of the Division of Rehabilitation Services to the Department of Labor, so as to establish the role of the commission in facilitating the operation by blind persons and other persons with disabilities of vending facilities on state property; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 109. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Ginn of the 47th, Hickman of the 4th, Dugan of the 30th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding writing off small amounts due to the state; to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the University

System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 110. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Jones of the 25th, Merritt of the 9th, Parent of the 42nd and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 15 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to miscellaneous provisions under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to prohibit the assignment of graded homework for students in grades kindergarten through two; to provide for a short title; to provide for a definition; to provide for exceptions; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 111. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to health, so as to repeal in its entirety Chapter 26, relating to the practice of midwifery; to amend Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide for the licensure and regulation of community midwives; to amend Code Section 43-26-12 of the O.C.G.A., relating to exceptions to the operation of the "Georgia Registered Professional Nurse Practice Act," so as to provide for an exception relating to the practice of midwifery; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 86 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Walker III of the 20th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 32 Do Pass by substitute
SB 33 Do Pass
SB 34 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Science and Technology has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 52 Do Pass by substitute
SB 53 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Dolezal of the 27th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations (General) has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 49 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 44 SB 60

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Seay of the 34th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Seay was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Hatchett of the 50th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hatchett was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Albers of the 56th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Albers was excused.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Walker III of the 20th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Walker III was excused.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Beach of the 21st be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Beach was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Anavitarte | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Au | Harper | Parent |
| Brass | Harrell | Payne |
| Burke | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Cowsert | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Davenport | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Dixon | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dugan | Jordan | Thompson |

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| Ginn | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Albers (Excused) | Beach (Excused) | Hatchett (Excused) |
| James (Excused) | Lucas (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Walker III (Excused) | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Thompson of the 14th introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Justin Holcomb of Cartersville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

SR 80. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Summers of the 13th, Strickland of the 17th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Pastor Douglas Eugene "Doug" Harris; and for other purposes.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 78. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Summers of the 13th, Strickland of the 17th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the work and life of Pastor Bill Cline; and for other purposes.

SR 79. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Summers of the 13th, Strickland of the 17th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Pastor Mike Stephens; and for other purposes.

SR 81. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Family and Consumer Sciences; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021
FOURTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SR 26 | General Obligation Debt; make loans or grants; counties, municipalities, consolidated governments, and local authorities; airports; authorize the state -CA (APPROP-7th) |
| HB 80 | Supplemental appropriations; State Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 (Substitute)(APPROP) Ralston-7th |
| SB 4 | Drug Abuse Treatment and Education Programs; patient brokering; prohibit; definitions; exceptions; penalties; provide (H&HS-32nd) |

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 26. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Tillery of the 19th, Kennedy of the 18th, Dugan of the 30th, Harbin of the 16th and others:

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the state to incur general obligation debt in order to make loans or grants to certain counties, municipalities, consolidated governments, local authorities, and local commissions that own airports for the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of such airports; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article VII, Section IV of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph I as follows:

"**Paragraph I. Purposes for which debt may be incurred.** The state may incur:

(a) Public debt without limit to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, and defend the state in time of war.

(b) Public debt to supply a temporary deficit in the state treasury in any fiscal year created by a delay in collecting the taxes of that year. Such debt shall not exceed, in the aggregate, 5 percent of the total revenue receipts, less refunds, of the state treasury in the fiscal year immediately preceding the year in which such debt is incurred. The debt incurred shall be repaid on or before the last day of the fiscal year in which it is incurred out of taxes levied for that fiscal year. No such debt may be incurred in any fiscal year under the provisions of this subparagraph (b) if there is then outstanding unpaid debt from any previous fiscal year which was incurred to supply a temporary deficit in the state treasury.

(c) General obligation debt to acquire, construct, develop, extend, enlarge, or improve land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment, or facilities of the state, its agencies, departments, institutions, and of those state authorities which were created and activated prior to November 8, 1960.

(d) General obligation debt to provide educational facilities for county and independent school systems and to provide public library facilities for county and independent school systems, counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, and, when the construction of such educational or library facilities has been completed, the title to such facilities shall be vested in the respective local boards of education, counties, municipalities, or public library boards of trustees for which such facilities were constructed.

(e) General obligation debt in order to make loans to counties, municipal corporations, political subdivisions, local authorities, and other local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems or for regional or multijurisdictional solid waste recycling or solid waste facilities or systems. It shall not be necessary for the state or a state authority to hold title to or otherwise be the owner of such facilities or systems. General obligation debt for these purposes may be authorized and incurred for administration and disbursement by a state authority created and activated before, on, or after November 8, 1960.

(f) Guaranteed revenue debt by guaranteeing the payment of revenue obligations issued by an instrumentality of the state if such revenue obligations are issued to finance:

(1) Toll bridges or toll roads.

(2) Land public transportation facilities or systems.

(3) Water facilities or systems.

(4) Sewage facilities or systems.

(5) Loans to, and loan programs for, citizens of the state for educational purposes.

(6) Regional or multijurisdictional solid waste recycling or solid waste facilities or systems.

(g) General obligation debt in order to make loans or grants to counties, municipalities, consolidated governments, local authorities, and local commissions that own airports for the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of such airports, but excluding any airport that has had more than 750,000 takeoffs and landings during a calendar year."

**SECTION 2.**

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to allow the state to incur general obligation debt in order to make loans or grants to certain
( ) NO counties, municipalities, consolidated governments, local authorities, and local commissions that own airports with less than 750,000 takeoffs and landings during a calendar year for the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of such airports?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.

Senator Harper of the 7th asked unanimous consent that SR 26 be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and SR 26 was placed on the Table.

HB 80. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tillery of the 19th.

## SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE TO H.B. 80
## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:
## PART I

An Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, is amended by striking everything following the Part I designation up to but not including the Part II designation and by substituting in lieu thereof the following:

The sums of money hereinafter provided are appropriated for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, as prescribed hereinafter for such fiscal year:

| HB 80 (FY 2021A) | | Governor | House | SAC |
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| **Revenue Sources Available for Appropriation** | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | | $26,566,711,626 | $26,566,711,626 | $26,566,711,626 |
| State General Funds | | $22,434,345,852 | $22,434,345,852 | $22,434,345,852 |
| Revenue Shortfall Reserve for K-12 Needs | | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $1,902,958,412 | $1,902,958,412 | $1,902,958,412 |
| Lottery Proceeds | | $1,301,318,614 | $1,301,318,614 | $1,301,318,614 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | | $160,559,061 | $160,559,061 | $160,559,061 |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | | $157,267,497 | $157,267,497 | $157,267,497 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | | $353,741,510 | $353,741,510 | $353,741,510 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | | $15,619,138,174 | $15,617,112,727 | $15,617,112,727 |

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| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,068,787,202 | $4,068,382,766 | $4,068,382,766 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $98,106,456 | $98,066,457 | $98,066,457 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $8,633,149,796 | $8,631,568,784 | $8,631,568,784 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $452,679,375 | $452,679,375 | $452,679,375 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $327,879,822 | $327,879,822 | $327,879,822 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $325,690,440 | $325,690,440 | $325,690,440 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $7,053,814,446 | $7,056,564,612 | $7,067,664,612 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,079,706,775 | $3,079,706,775 | $3,090,806,775 |
| Hospital Authorities | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $285,415,499 | $285,415,499 | $296,515,499 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 |
| Royalties and Rents | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 |
| Sales and Services | $3,535,371,151 | $3,538,121,317 | $3,538,121,317 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $954,115,387 | $956,865,553 | $956,865,553 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,421,664,038 | $4,422,218,263 | $4,422,218,263 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,402,644,278 | $4,402,644,278 | $4,402,644,278 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $17,544,709 | $17,544,709 | $17,544,709 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Merit System Assessments | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| Retirement Payments | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $16,529,887 | $17,084,112 | $17,084,112 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $16,529,887 | $17,084,112 | $17,084,112 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $687,746 | $687,746 | $687,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $49,239,664,246 | $49,240,388,965 | $49,251,488,965 |
| **Changes in Fund Availability** | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $654,294,246 | $654,294,246 | $654,294,246 |
| State General Funds | $292,878,485 | $292,878,485 | $292,878,485 |
| Revenue Shortfall Reserve for K-12 Needs | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $159,119,054 | $159,119,054 | $159,119,054 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | ($50,000,000) | ($50,000,000) | ($50,000,000) |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $101,741 | $101,741 | $101,741 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | ($2,894,185) | ($2,894,185) | ($2,894,185) |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $392,021,704 | $389,996,257 | $389,996,257 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,131,022 | $726,586 | $726,586 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $2,248,535 | $2,208,536 | $2,208,536 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $354,136,808 | $352,555,796 | $352,555,796 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $34,359,467 | $34,359,467 | $34,359,467 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $145,872 | $145,872 | $145,872 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $145,872 | $145,872 | $145,872 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $13,928,266 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $0 | $0 | $11,100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $0 | $0 | $11,100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $21,523,687 | $22,077,912 | $22,077,912 |
| State Funds Transfers | $21,523,687 | $21,523,687 | $21,523,687 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | ($100,000) | ($100,000) | ($100,000) |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $0 | $554,225 | $554,225 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $0 | $554,225 | $554,225 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,067,917,737 | $1,069,196,681 | $1,080,296,681 |

**Reconciliation of Fund Availability to Fund Application**

***Section 1: Georgia Senate***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 |
| State General Funds | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,305,736 | $11,305,736 | $11,630,736 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,305,736 | $11,305,736 | $11,630,736 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,385,688 | $11,385,688 | $11,710,688 |

| **Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| State General Funds | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |

**1.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $60,000 | $60,000 | $160,000 |

| **1.100 Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,267,423 | $1,267,423 | $1,367,423 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,267,423 | $1,267,423 | $1,367,423 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,267,423 | $1,267,423 | $1,367,423 |

| **Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| State General Funds | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |

| **2.100 Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |

| Senate | | Continuation Budget | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 |
| State General Funds | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 |

**3.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations. (S:Restore funds for legislative session operations and technology)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $385,400 | $385,400 | $610,400 |

| **3.100 Senate** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,873,543 | $8,873,543 | $9,098,543 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,873,543 | $8,873,543 | $9,098,543 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,953,495 | $8,953,495 | $9,178,495 |

***Section 2: Georgia House of Representatives***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| State General Funds | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,243,432 | $18,265,456 | $18,265,456 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,243,432 | $18,265,456 | $18,265,456 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,690,009 | $18,712,033 | $18,712,033 |

| **House of Representatives** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| State General Funds | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 |

**4.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $333,733 | $355,757 | $355,757 |

| **4.100 House of Representatives** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,243,432 | $18,265,456 | $18,265,456 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,243,432 | $18,265,456 | $18,265,456 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,690,009 | $18,712,033 | $18,712,033 |

***Section 3: Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 |
| State General Funds | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,467,664 | $12,708,210 | $12,917,664 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,467,664 | $12,708,210 | $12,917,664 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,630,761 | $12,871,307 | $13,080,761 |

**Ancillary Activities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |
| State General Funds | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |

**5.1** *Transfer funds from the Ancillary Activities program to the Legislative Fiscal Office program to reflect a realignment of funding for operations. (H:NO; Maintain funds for legislative session operations)(S:Increase funds for legislative session operations)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($150,000) | $0 | $150,000 |

**5.2** *Increase funds for one-time funds to host the 2021 National Black Caucus of State Legislators in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $75,000 | $150,000 |

**5.100 Ancillary Activities** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,565,606 | $6,790,606 | $7,015,606 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,565,606 | $6,790,606 | $7,015,606 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,565,606 | $6,790,606 | $7,015,606 |

**Legislative Fiscal Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |

**6.1** *Transfer funds from the Ancillary Activities program to the Legislative Fiscal Office program to reflect a realignment of funding for operations. (H and S:Restore funds for session operations)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 | $150,000 | $100,000 |

**6.100 Legislative Fiscal Office** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,384,950 | $1,384,950 | $1,334,950 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,384,950 | $1,384,950 | $1,334,950 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,384,950 | $1,384,950 | $1,334,950 |

**Office of Legislative Counsel** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 |
| State General Funds | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 |

**7.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $15,546 | $50,000 |

**7.100 Office of Legislative Counsel** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,517,108 | $4,532,654 | $4,567,108 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,517,108 | $4,532,654 | $4,567,108 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,680,205 | $4,695,751 | $4,730,205 |

***Section 4: Audits and Accounts, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| State General Funds | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 |

**Audit and Assurance Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to perform special examinations and investigations; to conduct performance audits and evaluations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; to audit Medicaid provider claims; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| State General Funds | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 |

**8.100 Audit and Assurance Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to perform special examinations and investigations; to conduct performance audits and evaluations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; to audit Medicaid provider claims; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| **State General Funds** | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 |

**Departmental Administration (DOAA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| State General Funds | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |

**9.100 Departmental Administration (DOAA)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |

**Legislative Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| State General Funds | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |

**10.100 Legislative Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |

**Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| State General Funds | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |

**11.100 Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |

***Section 5: Appeals, Court of***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 |
| State General Funds | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,451,997 | $23,679,610 | $23,679,610 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,451,997 | $23,679,610 | $23,679,610 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,601,997 | $23,829,610 | $23,829,610 |

**Court of Appeals** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 |
| State General Funds | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 |

**12.1** *Increase funds to reflect the salary and travel/per diem expenses for a temporary judge.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $114,117 | $114,117 |

**12.2** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $108,185 | $108,185 |

| **12.100 Court of Appeals** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,959,337 | $22,181,639 | $22,181,639 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,959,337 | $22,181,639 | $22,181,639 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,109,337 | $22,331,639 | $22,331,639 |

| **Georgia State-wide Business Court** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support a state-wide business court in matters of resolving commercial dispute and litigation.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| State General Funds | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |

**13.1** *Increase funds for one clerk position. (H and S:Increase funds to reflect the corrected salary for the clerk position)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $19,949 | $19,949 | $19,949 |

**13.2** *Increase funds for court mailing costs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,550 | $1,550 | $1,550 |

**13.3** *Increase funds for rent.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $74,221 | $74,221 | $74,221 |

**13.4** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $5,311 | $5,311 |

| **13.100 Georgia State-wide Business Court** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support a state-wide business court in matters of resolving commercial dispute and litigation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,492,660 | $1,497,971 | $1,497,971 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,492,660 | $1,497,971 | $1,497,971 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,492,660 | $1,497,971 | $1,497,971 |

***Section 6: Judicial Council***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 |
| State General Funds | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| Sales and Services | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,359,385 | $14,404,286 | $14,404,286 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,359,385 | $14,404,286 | $14,404,286 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,683,063 | $18,727,964 | $18,727,964 |

**Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| State General Funds | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

**14.100 Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| **State General Funds** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

**Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| Sales and Services | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

**15.100 Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **Sales and Services** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

**Institute of Continuing Judicial Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| State General Funds | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| Sales and Services | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 |

**16.100 Institute of Continuing Judicial Education** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| **State General Funds** | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **Sales and Services** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 |

**Judicial Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of the appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, the State Court Judges, and the Georgia Council of Court Administrators; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, and the Commission on Interpreters; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 |
| State General Funds | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| Sales and Services | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 |

**17.1** *Increase funds to upgrade and maintain the Georgia Courts Registrar.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $18,750 | $18,750 |

**17.100 Judicial Council** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of the appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, the State Court Judges, and the Georgia Council of Court Administrators; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, and the Commission on Interpreters; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,572,003 | $11,590,753 | $11,590,753 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,572,003 | $11,590,753 | $11,590,753 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **Sales and Services** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,588,275 | $14,607,025 | $14,607,025 |

**Judicial Qualifications Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |
| State General Funds | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |

**18.1** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $26,151 | $26,151 |

**18.100 Judicial Qualifications Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $798,820 | $824,971 | $824,971 |
| **State General Funds** | $798,820 | $824,971 | $824,971 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $798,820 | $824,971 | $824,971 |

**Resource Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| State General Funds | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |

| **19.100 Resource Center** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |

***Section 7: Juvenile Courts***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 |
| State General Funds | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,691,187 | $8,691,187 | $8,691,187 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,691,187 | $8,691,187 | $8,691,187 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,758,673 | $8,758,673 | $8,758,673 |

| **Council of Juvenile Court Judges** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| State General Funds | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 |

**20.100 Council of Juvenile Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 |

**Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |
| State General Funds | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |

**21.1** *Increase funds pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-11-52(c)(2) for the Griffin and Gwinnett Judicial Circuits mandated by the new superior court judgeships effective January 1, 2020.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |

**21.100 Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,940,546 | $6,940,546 | $6,940,546 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,940,546 | $6,940,546 | $6,940,546 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,940,546 | $6,940,546 | $6,940,546 |

***Section 8: Prosecuting Attorneys***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 |
| State General Funds | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| State Funds Transfers | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $83,949,373 | $83,742,925 | $83,742,925 |
| **State General Funds** | $83,949,373 | $83,742,925 | $83,742,925 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $85,971,013 | $85,764,565 | $85,764,565 |

**Council of Superior Court Clerks** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| State General Funds | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

**22.100 Council of Superior Court Clerks** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| **State General Funds** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

**District Attorneys** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para I and OCGA 15-18.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 |
| State General Funds | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| State Funds Transfers | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 |

**23.1** *Increase funds for personnel for leave and retirement expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,100,000 | $1,100,000 | $1,100,000 |

**23.2** *Increase funds for legal representation for District Attorneys.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $446,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**23.3** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $189,552 | $189,552 |

**23.100 District Attorneys** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para I and OCGA 15-18.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $77,227,543 | $77,021,095 | $77,021,095 |
| **State General Funds** | $77,227,543 | $77,021,095 | $77,021,095 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $79,249,183 | $79,042,735 | $79,042,735 |

**Prosecuting Attorneys' Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| State General Funds | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |

**24.100 Prosecuting Attorneys' Council** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |

***Section 9: Superior Courts***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 |
| State General Funds | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Sales and Services | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $72,319,309 | $72,653,602 | $72,653,602 |
| **State General Funds** | $72,319,309 | $72,653,602 | $72,653,602 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Sales and Services** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $72,456,479 | $72,790,772 | $72,790,772 |

**Council of Superior Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 |
| State General Funds | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 |

**25.1** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $4,285 | $4,285 |

**25.100 Council of Superior Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,646,571 | $1,650,856 | $1,650,856 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,646,571 | $1,650,856 | $1,650,856 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,766,571 | $1,770,856 | $1,770,856 |

**Judicial Administrative Districts** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 |
| State General Funds | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 |

**26.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $46,518 | $23,259 | $46,518 |

**26.100 Judicial Administrative Districts** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,704,080 | $2,680,821 | $2,704,080 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,704,080 | $2,680,821 | $2,704,080 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,721,250 | $2,697,991 | $2,721,250 |

**Superior Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |
| State General Funds | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |

**27.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for equipment set-up costs for one judgeship in the Gwinnett Circuit created by HB21 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($15,125) | ($15,125) | ($15,125) |

**27.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for equipment set-up costs for one judgeship in the Griffin Circuit created by HB28 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($15,125) | ($15,125) | ($15,125) |

**27.3** *Increase funds for one senior judge for pandemic related case backlog. (H and S:Increase funds for senior judge usage to assist with pandemic-related case backlog)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $93,096 | $93,096 | $93,096 |

**27.4** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $353,267 | $330,008 |

| **27.100 Superior Court Judges** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $67,968,658 | $68,321,925 | $68,298,666 |
| **State General Funds** | $67,968,658 | $68,321,925 | $68,298,666 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $67,968,658 | $68,321,925 | $68,298,666 |

***Section 10: Supreme Court***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| State General Funds | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,257,283 | $14,291,961 | $14,291,961 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $14,257,283 | $14,291,961 | $14,291,961 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,117,106 | $16,151,784 | $16,151,784 |

**Supreme Court of Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| State General Funds | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 |

**28.1** *Increase funds for personnel for positions frozen per HB793 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,776 | $0 | $0 |

**28.2** *Increase funds for personnel to add one new justice. (H and S:Increase funds for one-time funding for costs associated with one new justice)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $14,560 | $14,560 | $14,560 |

**28.3** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $85,454 | $85,454 |

**28.100 Supreme Court of Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all*

*cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,257,283 | $14,291,961 | $14,291,961 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,257,283 | $14,291,961 | $14,291,961 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,117,106 | $16,151,784 | $16,151,784 |

***Section 11: Accounting Office, State***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 |
| State General Funds | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| State Funds Transfers | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,521,746 | $6,521,746 | $6,521,746 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,521,746 | $6,521,746 | $6,521,746 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,547,191 | $28,547,191 | $28,547,191 |

**Administration (SAO)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| State General Funds | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| State Funds Transfers | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 |

**29.100 Administration (SAO)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| **State General Funds** | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 |

**Financial Systems** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate, support, monitor, and improve the State's enterprise financial accounting, payroll, and human capital management systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| State Funds Transfers | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

**30.100 Financial Systems** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate, support, monitor, and improve the State's enterprise financial accounting, payroll, and human capital management systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

**Shared Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support client agencies in processing payroll and other financial transactions and to implement and support the Statewide Travel Consolidation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| State General Funds | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 |

**31.100 Shared Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support client agencies in processing payroll and other financial transactions and to implement and support the Statewide Travel Consolidation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| **State General Funds** | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 |

**Statewide Accounting and Reporting** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide financial reporting, accounting policy, business process improvement, and compliance with state and federal fiscal reporting requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| State General Funds | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 |

**32.100 Statewide Accounting and Reporting** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide financial reporting, accounting policy, business process improvement, and compliance with state and federal fiscal reporting requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 |

**Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |
| State General Funds | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |

**33.1** *Increase funds for contracts for e-filing system replacement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |

**33.100 Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,394,630 | $2,394,630 | $2,394,630 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,394,630 | $2,394,630 | $2,394,630 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,394,630 | $2,394,630 | $2,394,630 |

| **Georgia State Board of Accountancy** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public financial, fiscal, and economic interests by licensing certified public accountants and public accountancy firms; regulating public accountancy practices; and investigating complaints and taking appropriate legal and disciplinary actions when warranted.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| State General Funds | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

| **34.100 Georgia State Board of Accountancy** | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public financial, fiscal, and economic interests by licensing certified public accountants and public accountancy firms; regulating public accountancy practices; and investigating complaints and taking appropriate legal and disciplinary actions when warranted.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| **State General Funds** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

***Section 12: Administrative Services, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| State General Funds | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| Sales and Services | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| State Funds Transfers | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Merit System Assessments | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 |
| **Liability Funds** | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Unemployment Compensation Funds** | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| **Workers Compensation Funds** | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 |

**Certificate of Need Appeal Panel** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| State General Funds | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

**35.100 Certificate of Need Appeal Panel** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

**Departmental Administration (DOAS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| Sales and Services | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 |
| Merit System Assessments | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 |

**36.100 Departmental Administration (DOAS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| **Sales and Services** | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 |

**Fleet Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance Program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |

**37.100 Fleet Management** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the*

*Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance Program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |

**Human Resources Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| Merit System Assessments | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 |

**38.100 Human Resources Administration** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 |

**Risk Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers Compensation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| State General Funds | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| State Funds Transfers | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 |

**39.100 Risk Management** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers Compensation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 |
| **Liability Funds** | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| **Unemployment Compensation Funds** | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| **Workers Compensation Funds** | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 |

**State Purchasing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify small and/or minority business vendors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

**40.100 State Purchasing** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify small and/or minority business vendors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

**Surplus Property** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| Sales and Services | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

**41.100 Surplus Property** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

**Administrative Hearings, Office of State** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| State General Funds | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 |

**42.100 Administrative Hearings, Office of State** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 |

**State Treasurer, Office of the** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts; monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |

**43.100 State Treasurer, Office of the** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts;*

*monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |

**The Department is authorized to assess state agencies the equivalent of .176% of salaries for the cost of departmental operations and may roll forward any unexpended prior years Merit System Assessment balance to be expended in the current fiscal year.**

***Section 13: Agriculture, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 |
| State General Funds | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Royalties and Rents | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Sales and Services | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Funds Transfers | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $48,968,914 | $49,911,261 | $50,984,229 |
| **State General Funds** | $48,968,914 | $49,911,261 | $50,984,229 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $60,345,760 | $61,288,107 | $62,361,075 |

**Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| State General Funds | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

**44.100 Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

**Consumer Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries, including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 |
| State General Funds | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 |
| **45.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 32 vehicles.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $748,448 | $748,448 |
| **45.2** *Increase funds for the Georgia Hemp Program.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $453,049 | $276,017 |

**45.100 Consumer Protection** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite*

*consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries, including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,258,970 | $27,960,467 | $27,783,435 |
| **State General Funds** | $27,258,970 | $27,960,467 | $27,783,435 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,930,115 | $37,631,612 | $37,454,580 |

**Departmental Administration (DOA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| State General Funds | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 |

**46.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for IT infrastructure.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $200,000 | $200,000 |

**46.100 Departmental Administration (DOA)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,450,611 | $5,650,611 | $5,650,611 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,450,611 | $5,650,611 | $5,650,611 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,300,611 | $6,500,611 | $6,500,611 |

**Marketing and Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| State General Funds | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 |
| Royalties and Rents | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Sales and Services | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Funds Transfers | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 |

**47.1** *Retain the Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah farmers markets within the Georgia Department of Agriculture. (H:YES)(S:YES; Redirect $120,000 intended for the transition of ownership of farmers markets in Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah to local authorities to instead fund repairs and maintenance for any and all state farmers markets)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**47.100 Marketing and Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Sales and Services** | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 |

**Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| State General Funds | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |

**48.1** *Increase funds for one nucleic acid extraction machine.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $62,000 | $62,000 |

**48.100 Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,824,057 | $2,886,057 | $2,886,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,824,057 | $2,886,057 | $2,886,057 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,824,057 | $2,886,057 | $2,886,057 |

**Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |
| State General Funds | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |

**49.1** *Increase funds to mitigate the operational impact of COVID-19.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,750,000 | $1,750,000 | $3,000,000 |

**49.100 Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,649,778 | $2,649,778 | $3,899,778 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,649,778 | $2,649,778 | $3,899,778 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,649,778 | $2,649,778 | $3,899,778 |

**State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by administering the use of state and federal resources to inspect, maintain, and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures in order to comply with the state Safe Dams Act and to provide planning and research assistance to landowners and local governments on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |
| State General Funds | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |

**50.1** *Reduce funds based on actual start dates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($21,150) | ($21,150) |

**50.100 State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by administering the use of state and federal resources to inspect, maintain, and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures in order to comply with the state Safe Dams Act and to provide planning and research assistance to landowners and local governments on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,986,565 | $1,965,415 | $1,965,415 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,986,565 | $1,965,415 | $1,965,415 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,986,565 | $1,965,415 | $1,965,415 |

***Section 14: Banking and Finance, Department of***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| State General Funds | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |

**Departmental Administration (DBF)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| State General Funds | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

**51.100 Departmental Administration (DBF)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

**Financial Institution Supervision** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| State General Funds | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |

**52.100 Financial Institution Supervision** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |

**Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent residential mortgage lending practices and money service businesses, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registrations, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| State General Funds | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |

**53.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **53.100 Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |

***Section 15: Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 |
| State General Funds | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| Royalties and Rents | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Sales and Services | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,139,381,422 | $1,138,521,020 | $1,138,521,020 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,129,126,284 | $1,128,265,882 | $1,128,265,882 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Sales and Services** | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,316,836,232 | $1,315,975,830 | $1,315,975,830 |

**Adult Addictive Diseases Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| State General Funds | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 |

**54.1** *Reflect the continued use of $2,000,000 in federal funds for Emergency Grants to Address Mental and Substance Use Disorder to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**54.100 Adult Addictive Diseases Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| **State General Funds** | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 |

**Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 |
| State General Funds | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| Sales and Services | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 |

**55.1** *Recognize savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds from the Adult Developmental Disabilities Services program to the Direct Care Support Services program for the ongoing maintenance of closed state hospitals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,107,045) | ($2,107,045) | ($2,107,045) |

**55.2** *Recognize savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize up to $500,000 for a feasibility study on implementation of a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, to be provided to the Office of Planning and Budget, the House Budget and Research Office, and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office by September 1, 2021. (G:YES)(H:YES; Utilize $1,757,154 in savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) for a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities)(S:YES; Recognize savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize up to $500,000 for a feasibility study on*

*implementation of a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, to be provided to the Office of Planning and Budget, the House Budget and Research Office, and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office by September 1, 2021)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**55.3** *Recognize $22,316,316 in state fund savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize funds for additional community services. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **55.100 Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $327,635,899 | $327,635,899 | $327,635,899 |
| **State General Funds** | $317,380,761 | $317,380,761 | $317,380,761 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $400,613,623 | $400,613,623 | $400,613,623 |

| **Adult Forensic Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 |
| State General Funds | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| Sales and Services | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 |

**56.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the delayed start date of the 40-bed forensic unit at West Central Regional Hospital in Columbus.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($860,402) | ($860,402) |

| **56.100 Adult Forensic Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $104,640,011 | $103,779,609 | $103,779,609 |
| **State General Funds** | $104,640,011 | $103,779,609 | $103,779,609 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $104,666,511 | $103,806,109 | $103,806,109 |

| **Adult Mental Health Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| State General Funds | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| Sales and Services | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 |

**57.1** *Recognize $3,640,544 in state fund savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize funds for additional community services. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**57.2** *Reflect $800,000 in federal funds for the Emergency Response for Suicide Prevention grant to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**57.100 Adult Mental Health Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| **State General Funds** | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 |

**Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances and promote a transition to productive living.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| State General Funds | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 |

**58.100 Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances*

*and promote a transition to productive living.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 |

**Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| State General Funds | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 |

**59.100 Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 |

**Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| State General Funds | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

**60.100 Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| State General Funds | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Sales and Services | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 |

**61.100 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| **State General Funds** | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 |

**Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| State General Funds | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 |

**62.100 Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 |

**Direct Care Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 |
| State General Funds | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Royalties and Rents | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Sales and Services | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 |

**63.1** *Recognize savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds from the Adult Developmental Disabilities Services program to the Direct Care Support Services program for the ongoing maintenance of closed state hospitals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,107,045 | $2,107,045 | $2,107,045 |

| **63.100 Direct Care Support Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $121,085,885 | $121,085,885 | $121,085,885 |
| **State General Funds** | $121,085,885 | $121,085,885 | $121,085,885 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Sales and Services** | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $124,958,926 | $124,958,926 | $124,958,926 |

**Substance Abuse Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| State General Funds | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 |

**64.100 Substance Abuse Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| **State General Funds** | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 |

**Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Council on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| State General Funds | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 |

**65.100 Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Council on** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| **State General Funds** | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 |

**Sexual Offender Review Board** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| State General Funds | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |

**66.100 Sexual Offender Review Board** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| **State General Funds** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |

***Section 16: Community Affairs, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 |
| State General Funds | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| Sales and Services | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| State Funds Transfers | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $88,385,539 | $88,385,539 | $88,385,539 |
| **State General Funds** | $88,385,539 | $88,385,539 | $88,385,539 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $272,416,343 | $272,416,343 | $272,416,343 |

**Building Construction** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| State General Funds | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| Sales and Services | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 |

| **67.100 Building Construction** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| **State General Funds** | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 |

| **Coordinated Planning** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| State General Funds | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |

| **68.100 Coordinated Planning** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |

| **Departmental Administration (DCA)** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| State General Funds | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| Sales and Services | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| State Funds Transfers | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 |

| **69.100 Departmental Administration (DCA)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| **Sales and Services** | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 |

**Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| State General Funds | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| Sales and Services | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 |

**70.1** *Reflect the continued use of $82,850,607 in federal funds for the Community Development Block Grant and $393,000 in federal funds for the Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**70.100 Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| **Sales and Services** | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 |

**Homeownership Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate-income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate-income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| Sales and Services | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 |

**71.100 Homeownership Programs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate-income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate-income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| **Sales and Services** | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 |

**Regional Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives; to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan; and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| State General Funds | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| Sales and Services | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 |

**72.100 Regional Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives; to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan; and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| **Sales and Services** | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 |

**Rental Housing Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| Sales and Services | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 |

**73.100 Rental Housing Programs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| **Sales and Services** | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 |

**Research and Surveys** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| State General Funds | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 |

**74.100 Research and Surveys** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| **State General Funds** | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 |

**Special Housing Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| State General Funds | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| Sales and Services | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| State Funds Transfers | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 |

**75.1** *Reflect the continued use of $562,987 in federal funds for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS and $45,418,452 in federal funds for Emergency Solutions Grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**75.100 Special Housing Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| **Sales and Services** | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 |

**State Community Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| State General Funds | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 |

**76.100 State Community Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 |

**State Economic Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| State General Funds | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 |

**77.100 State Economic Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| **State General Funds** | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| **Sales and Services** | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 |

**Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| State General Funds | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

**78.1** *Reflect the continued use of $25,731,752 in federal funds for Federal Transit Administration grants authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**78.100 Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

**Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| State General Funds | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |

**79.100 Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |

**Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by operating the Xpress bus service, conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Developments of Regional Impact.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| State General Funds | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |

**80.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**80.100 Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation*

*improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| **State General Funds** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |

**Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the OneGeorgia Authority.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 |
| State General Funds | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 |

**81.1** *Increase funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas. (H:Increase funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program, hire a grant administrator, and perform mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas)(S:Increase funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $20,000,000 | $20,000,000 | $20,000,000 |

**81.100 Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the OneGeorgia Authority.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $43,675,000 | $43,675,000 | $43,675,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $43,675,000 | $43,675,000 | $43,675,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,820,521 | $43,820,521 | $43,820,521 |

***Section 17: Community Health, Department of***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 |
| State General Funds | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| Hospital Authorities | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| Sales and Services | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,397,817,470 | $3,395,472,451 | $3,395,472,451 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,750,656,183 | $2,748,311,164 | $2,748,311,164 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $136,152,280 | $136,152,280 | $136,152,280 |
| **Nursing Home Provider Fees** | $157,267,497 | $157,267,497 | $157,267,497 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $353,741,510 | $353,741,510 | $353,741,510 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,996,814,584 | $8,995,233,572 | $8,995,233,572 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $8,517,451,107 | $8,515,870,095 | $8,515,870,095 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $452,679,375 | $452,679,375 | $452,679,375 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,664,352,848 | $16,660,426,817 | $16,660,426,817 |

**Departmental Administration (DCH)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 |
| State General Funds | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 |
| State Funds Transfers | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Health Insurance Payments | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 |

**82.1** *Transfer funds from the Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled program to the Departmental Administration (DCH) program to provide funds for prior authorization of independent laboratory services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 |

**82.2** *Increase funds to begin the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,803,847 | $1,803,847 | $1,803,847 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $4,190,306 | $4,190,306 | $4,190,306 |
| Total Public Funds: | $5,994,153 | $5,994,153 | $5,994,153 |

**82.3** *Increase funds to plan and implement an All-Payer Claims Database to enable analysis and public reporting of health care costs and utilization for medical, dental, and pharmaceutical services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |

**82.4** *Review optional Medicaid services to improve access to care and improve outcomes for children and adolescents involved with Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) and Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS). (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **82.100 Departmental Administration (DCH)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $83,016,881 | $83,016,881 | $83,016,881 |
| **State General Funds** | $83,016,881 | $83,016,881 | $83,016,881 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $314,266,621 | $314,266,621 | $314,266,621 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $267,032,935 | $267,032,935 | $267,032,935 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $423,209,856 | $423,209,856 | $423,209,856 |

**Georgia Board of Dentistry** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| State General Funds | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |

**83.100 Georgia Board of Dentistry** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| **State General Funds** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |

**Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| State General Funds | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

| **84.100 Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| **State General Funds** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

**Health Care Access and Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| State General Funds | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 |

| **85.100 Health Care Access and Improvement** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| **State General Funds** | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 |

**Healthcare Facility Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 |
| State General Funds | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 |

**86.1** *Transfer funds from the Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled program to the Healthcare Facility Regulation program for long-term care surveyors to comply with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) COVID-19 mandates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,448,000 | $2,448,000 | $2,448,000 |

**86.2** *Increase funds for contracts for nursing home surveys to ensure safe and healthy living conditions for residents of long term care and health care facilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 |

**86.3** *Increase funds to support strategic measures for stabilizing staffing in the nursing home program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $478,303 | $478,303 |

| **86.100 Healthcare Facility Regulation** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,071,143 | $21,549,446 | $21,549,446 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,071,143 | $21,549,446 | $21,549,446 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $33,176,720 | $33,655,023 | $33,655,023 |

| **Indigent Care Trust Fund** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| Hospital Authorities | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| Sales and Services | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 |

**87.1** *Increase funds to provide the state match for Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments for private deemed and non-deemed hospitals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $35,745,727 | $35,745,727 | $35,745,727 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $72,673,220 | $72,673,220 | $72,673,220 |
| Total Public Funds: | $108,418,947 | $108,418,947 | $108,418,947 |

| **87.100 Indigent Care Trust Fund** | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $35,745,727 | $35,745,727 | $35,745,727 |
| **State General Funds** | $35,745,727 | $35,745,727 | $35,745,727 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $329,749,189 | $329,749,189 | $329,749,189 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $329,749,189 | $329,749,189 | $329,749,189 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $508,081,440 | $508,081,440 | $508,081,440 |

**Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 |
| State General Funds | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| Hospital Authorities | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| State Funds Transfers | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 |

**88.1** *Reduce funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($88,094,386) | ($108,182,048) | ($108,182,048) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($179,669,705) | ($220,638,767) | ($220,638,767) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($267,764,091) | ($328,820,815) | ($328,820,815) |

**88.2** *Increase funds for the hold harmless provision in Medicare Part B premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,254,185 | $1,254,185 | $1,254,185 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,526,897 | $2,526,897 | $2,526,897 |
| Total Public Funds: | $3,781,082 | $3,781,082 | $3,781,082 |

**88.3** *Reduce funds to reflect savings for the Part D Clawback as a result of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($26,097,967) | ($28,145,577) | ($28,145,577) |

**88.4** *Reduce funds to reflect the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($215,620,121) | ($215,620,121) | ($215,620,121) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $215,620,121 | $215,620,121 | $215,620,121 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**88.5** *Transfer funds from the Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled program to the Departmental Administration (DCH) program to provide funds for prior authorization of independent laboratory services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($850,000) | ($850,000) | ($850,000) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($850,000) | ($850,000) | ($850,000) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($1,700,000) | ($1,700,000) | ($1,700,000) |

**88.6** *Transfer funds from the Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled program to the Healthcare Facility Regulation program for long-term care surveyors to comply with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) COVID-19 mandates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,448,000) | ($2,448,000) | ($2,448,000) |

**88.7** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($101,741) | ($101,741) | ($101,741) |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $101,741 | $101,741 | $101,741 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**88.8** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $295,052 | $295,052 | $295,052 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | ($295,052) | ($295,052) | ($295,052) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**88.9** *Increase funds and submit an 1135 waiver to increase the Medicaid growth allowance for skilled nursing centers by 5% for an overall rate increase of 3.5%, effective July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. (S:Increase funds and submit a Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment to increase the Medicaid growth allowance for skilled nursing centers by 5% for an overall rate increase of 3.5%, effective July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $9,717,680 | $9,717,680 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $19,882,320 | $19,882,320 |
| Total Public Funds: | $29,600,000 | $29,600,000 |

**88.10** *Increase funds to increase the Medicaid growth allowance for skilled nursing centers by 5% for an overall rate increase of 3.5%, effective January 1, 2021 to June 30, 2021.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,594,270 | $9,594,270 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $19,505,730 | $19,505,730 |
| Total Public Funds: | $29,100,000 | $29,100,000 |

**88.100 Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,741,305,525 | $1,738,482,203 | $1,738,482,203 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,541,783,577 | $1,538,960,255 | $1,538,960,255 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 |
| **Nursing Home Provider Fees** | $157,267,497 | $157,267,497 | $157,267,497 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $36,062,645 | $36,062,645 | $36,062,645 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,385,871,115 | $4,384,290,103 | $4,384,290,103 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $4,383,083,901 | $4,381,502,889 | $4,381,502,889 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,456,808,260 | $6,452,403,926 | $6,452,403,926 |

**Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 |
| State General Funds | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| Hospital Authorities | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| State Funds Transfers | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 |

**89.1** *Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $54,557,505 | $54,557,505 | $54,557,505 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $111,258,177 | $111,258,177 | $111,258,177 |
| Total Public Funds: | $165,815,682 | $165,815,682 | $165,815,682 |

**89.2** *Reduce funds to reflect the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($127,537,792) | ($127,537,792) | ($127,537,792) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $127,537,792 | $127,537,792 | $127,537,792 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**89.3** *Replace funds to reflect projected revenues.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000,000 | $50,000,000 | $50,000,000 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | ($50,000,000) | ($50,000,000) | ($50,000,000) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**89.4** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,599,133 | $2,599,133 | $2,599,133 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | ($2,599,133) | ($2,599,133) | ($2,599,133) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **89.100 Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,330,422,149 | $1,330,422,149 | $1,330,422,149 |
| **State General Funds** | $882,782,810 | $882,782,810 | $882,782,810 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $129,960,474 | $129,960,474 | $129,960,474 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $317,678,865 | $317,678,865 | $317,678,865 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,531,108,609 | $3,531,108,609 | $3,531,108,609 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $3,531,108,609 | $3,531,108,609 | $3,531,108,609 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,887,275,921 | $4,887,275,921 | $4,887,275,921 |
| **PeachCare** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 |
| State General Funds | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| State Funds Transfers | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 |
| **90.1** *Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $6,664,517 | $6,664,517 | $6,664,517 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $32,788,495 | $32,788,495 | $32,788,495 |
| Total Public Funds: | $39,453,012 | $39,453,012 | $39,453,012 |

**90.2** *Reduce funds to reflect the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,570,972) | ($1,570,972) | ($1,570,972) |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $1,570,972 | $1,570,972 | $1,570,972 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **90.100 PeachCare** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $72,295,439 | $72,295,439 | $72,295,439 |
| **State General Funds** | $72,295,439 | $72,295,439 | $72,295,439 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $423,224,635 | $423,224,635 | $423,224,635 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $423,224,635 | $423,224,635 | $423,224,635 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $495,671,857 | $495,671,857 | $495,671,857 |

**State Health Benefit Plan** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |

| **91.100 State Health Benefit Plan** | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.* | |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Board Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| State General Funds | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |

**92.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Board Administration** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Graduate Medical Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| State General Funds | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |

**93.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Graduate Medical Education** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Mercer School of Medicine Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| State General Funds | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |

**94.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Mercer School of Medicine Grant** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine and affiliated hospitals to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| State General Funds | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |

**95.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine and affiliated hospitals to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Physicians for Rural Areas** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| State General Funds | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |

**96.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Physicians for Rural Areas** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Undergraduate Medical Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| State General Funds | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |

**97.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Undergraduate Medical Education** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |

**Georgia Composite Medical Board** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to license qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| State General Funds | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Sales and Services | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 |

**98.100 Georgia Composite Medical Board** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to license qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 |

**Drugs and Narcotics Agency, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| State General Funds | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

**99.100 Drugs and Narcotics Agency, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

***Section 18: Community Supervision, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 |
| State General Funds | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| Sales and Services | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $167,997,149 | $167,997,149 | $167,997,149 |
| **State General Funds** | $167,997,149 | $167,997,149 | $167,997,149 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **Sales and Services** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $168,474,345 | $168,474,345 | $168,474,345 |

**Departmental Administration (DCS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| State General Funds | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |

**100.100 Departmental Administration (DCS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |

**Field Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve Georgia citizens through effective and efficient offender supervision in communities, while providing opportunities for successful outcomes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 |
| State General Funds | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| Sales and Services | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 |

**101.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 53 vehicles for field operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,580,000 | $1,580,000 | $1,580,000 |

**101.100 Field Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve Georgia citizens through effective and efficient offender supervision in communities, while providing opportunities for successful outcomes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $153,696,636 | $153,696,636 | $153,696,636 |
| **State General Funds** | $153,696,636 | $153,696,636 | $153,696,636 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $153,706,636 | $153,706,636 | $153,706,636 |

**Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a collaboration of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders to develop and execute a systematic reentry plan for Georgia offenders and ensure the delivery of services to reduce recidivism and support the success of returning citizens.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| State General Funds | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |

**102.100 Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a collaboration of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders to develop and execute a systematic reentry plan for Georgia offenders and ensure the delivery of services to reduce recidivism and support the success of returning citizens.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |

**Misdemeanor Probation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of all governmental and private misdemeanor probation providers through inspection and investigation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| State General Funds | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |

**103.100 Misdemeanor Probation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of all governmental and private misdemeanor probation providers through inspection and investigation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| **State General Funds** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |

**Family Violence, Georgia Commission on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the study and evaluation of needs and services relating to family violence in Georgia, develop models for community task forces on family violence, provide training and continuing education on the dynamics of family violence, and develop standards to be used in the certification and regulation of Family Violence Intervention Programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| State General Funds | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| Sales and Services | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 |

**104.100 Family Violence, Georgia Commission on** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the study and evaluation of needs and services relating to family violence in Georgia, develop models for community task forces on family violence, provide training and continuing education on the dynamics of family violence, and develop standards to be used in the certification and regulation of Family Violence Intervention Programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| **State General Funds** | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **Sales and Services** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 |

***Section 19: Corrections, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 |
| State General Funds | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,130,930,719 | $1,130,930,719 | $1,130,930,719 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,130,930,719 | $1,130,930,719 | $1,130,930,719 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **Sales and Services** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,144,665,877 | $1,144,665,877 | $1,144,665,877 |

**County Jail Subsidy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| State General Funds | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

**105.1** *Reflect $1,365,900 in federal Coronavirus Relief Funds as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**105.100 County Jail Subsidy** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

**Departmental Administration (DOC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| State General Funds | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |

**106.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**106.100 Departmental Administration (DOC)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |

**Detention Centers** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 |
| State General Funds | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| Sales and Services | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 |

**107.1** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons program to the Detention Centers program due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system for a contract rate increase for residential substance abuse treatment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,505,131 | $1,505,131 | $1,505,131 |

**107.2** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**107.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

| **107.100 Detention Centers** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $49,345,428 | $49,345,428 | $49,345,428 |
| **State General Funds** | $49,345,428 | $49,345,428 | $49,345,428 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $51,798,928 | $51,798,928 | $51,798,928 |

| **Food and Farm Operations** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| State General Funds | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |

**108.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

| **108.100 Food and Farm Operations** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| **State General Funds** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |

| **Health** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates of the state correctional system.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 |
| State General Funds | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| Sales and Services | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 |

**109.1** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons and Offender Management programs to the Health program due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system as well as from a low offender population at county correctional institutes for projected physical health contract expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,872,236 | $3,872,236 | $3,872,236 |

**109.2** *Reflect $1,032,829 in federal Coronavirus Relief Funds as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

| **109.100 Health** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates of the state correctional system.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $251,463,348 | $251,463,348 | $251,463,348 |
| **State General Funds** | $251,463,348 | $251,463,348 | $251,463,348 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $251,923,903 | $251,923,903 | $251,923,903 |

**Offender Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| State General Funds | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Sales and Services | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 |

**110.1** *Transfer funds from the Offender Management program to the Health program for savings from a low offender population at county correctional institutes for projected physical health contract expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($861,994) | ($861,994) | ($861,994) |

**110.2** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**110.100 Offender Management** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $43,130,700 | $43,130,700 | $43,130,700 |
| **State General Funds** | $43,130,700 | $43,130,700 | $43,130,700 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,160,700 | $43,160,700 | $43,160,700 |

**Private Prisons** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public*

*safety.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| State General Funds | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |

**111.100 Private Prisons** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public safety.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| **State General Funds** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |

**State Prisons** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 |
| State General Funds | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| Sales and Services | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 |

**112.1** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons program to the Health and Detention Centers programs due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system for physical health contract expenses ($3,010,242), and for a contract rate increase for residential substance abuse treatment ($1,505,131).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,515,373) | ($4,515,373) | ($4,515,373) |

**112.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 43 vehicles for inmate transportation and 50 vehicles for staff use and emergency response.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,320,000 | $3,320,000 | $3,320,000 |

**112.3** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**112.4** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities effective April 1, 2021. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**112.5** *Reflect $78,593,152 in federal Coronavirus Relief Funds as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**112.100 State Prisons** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $573,320,338 | $573,320,338 | $573,320,338 |
| **State General Funds** | $573,320,338 | $573,320,338 | $573,320,338 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $584,111,441 | $584,111,441 | $584,111,441 |

**Transition Centers** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| State General Funds | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

**113.1** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**113.2** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**113.100 Transition Centers** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

***Section 20: Defense, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| State General Funds | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Royalties and Rents | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Sales and Services | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 |

**Departmental Administration (DOD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| State General Funds | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 |

**114.100 Departmental Administration (DOD)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 |

**Military Readiness** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and maintain facilities for the training of Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force personnel, and to provide an organized militia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| State General Funds | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Royalties and Rents | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Sales and Services | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 |

**115.100 Military Readiness** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and maintain facilities for the training of Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force personnel, and to provide an organized militia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 |

**Youth Educational Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| State General Funds | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| Sales and Services | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 |

**116.100 Youth Educational Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 |

***Section 21: Driver Services, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 |
| State General Funds | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| Sales and Services | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $64,142,091 | $64,392,091 | $64,142,091 |
| **State General Funds** | $64,142,091 | $64,392,091 | $64,142,091 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $66,986,212 | $67,236,212 | $66,986,212 |

**Departmental Administration (DDS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| State General Funds | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| Sales and Services | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 |

**117.1** *Increase funds to replace 25 vehicles and purchase a truck for the mobile license issuance trailer. (S:Increase funds to replace 15 vehicles and purchase a truck for the mobile license issuance trailer)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $665,000 | $415,000 |

**117.100 Departmental Administration (DDS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,419,138 | $10,084,138 | $9,834,138 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,419,138 | $10,084,138 | $9,834,138 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **Sales and Services** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,919,995 | $10,584,995 | $10,334,995 |

**License Issuance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 |
| State General Funds | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| Sales and Services | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 |

**118.1** *Increase funds to implement chat bot technology in the call center to provide improved and more efficient customer service.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |

**118.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 15 vehicles. (H and S:NO; Reflect one-time funds for vehicle replacement in Departmental Administration (DDS) program)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $415,000 | $0 | $0 |

**118.100 License Issuance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $53,913,165 | $53,498,165 | $53,498,165 |
| **State General Funds** | $53,913,165 | $53,498,165 | $53,498,165 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,741,000 | $55,326,000 | $55,326,000 |

**Regulatory Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving*

*driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| State General Funds | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| Sales and Services | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 |

**119.100 Regulatory Compliance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| **State General Funds** | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **Sales and Services** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 |

***Section 22: Early Care and Learning, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 |
| State General Funds | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $432,877,549 | $432,815,676 | $432,815,676 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,226,235 | $54,164,362 | $54,164,362 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 |
| **CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596** | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $905,172,396 | $905,110,523 | $905,110,523 |

**Child Care Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| State General Funds | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 |

**120.1** *Reduce funds to reflect actual start date for the State Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health coordinator.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($61,873) | ($61,873) |

**120.2** *Reflect the continued use of $144,539,371 in federal funds for the Child Care and Development Block Grant to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**120.100 Child Care Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,226,235 | $54,164,362 | $54,164,362 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,226,235 | $54,164,362 | $54,164,362 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 |
| **CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596** | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $320,518,848 | $320,456,975 | $320,456,975 |

**Nutrition Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

**121.1** *Reflect the continued use of $43,192,754 in federal funds for Nutrition to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**121.100 Nutrition Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

**Pre-Kindergarten Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 |

**122.100 Pre-Kindergarten Program** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 |

**Quality Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 |

**123.100 Quality Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 |

***Section 23: Economic Development, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 |
| State General Funds | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 |
| **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,065,806 | $32,065,806 | $35,091,806 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,065,806 | $32,065,806 | $35,091,806 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,725,206 | $32,725,206 | $35,751,206 |

**Departmental Administration (DEcD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| State General Funds | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |

**124.100 Departmental Administration (DEcD)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |

**Film, Video, and Music** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| State General Funds | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |

| **125.100 Film, Video, and Music** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |

| **Arts, Georgia Council for the** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| State General Funds | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |

**126.1** *Reflect the continued use of $507,900 in federal funds for the National Endowment for the Arts grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **126.100 Arts, Georgia Council for the** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| **State General Funds** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |

| **Georgia Council for the Arts - Special Project** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to increase arts participation and support throughout the state with grants for non-profit arts and cultural organizations through Partner Grants, Project Grants, Education Grants and the 'Grassroots' arts program.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 |

**127.100 Georgia Council for the Arts - Special Project** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase arts participation and support throughout the state with grants for non-profit arts and cultural organizations through Partner Grants, Project Grants, Education Grants and the 'Grassroots' arts program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| **State General Funds** | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 |

**Global Commerce** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; and help develop international markets for Georgia products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| State General Funds | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |

**128.100 Global Commerce** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; and help develop international markets for Georgia products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |

**International Relations and Trade** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop international markets for Georgia products and to attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| State General Funds | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |

**129.100 International Relations and Trade** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop international markets for Georgia products and to attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |

**Rural Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote rural economic development opportunities and to recruit, retain and expand businesses in rural communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| State General Funds | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

**130.100 Rural Development** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote rural economic development opportunities and to recruit, retain and expand businesses in rural communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| **State General Funds** | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

**Small and Minority Business Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers; and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| State General Funds | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |

**131.100 Small and Minority Business Development** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers; and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| **State General Funds** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |

**Tourism** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |
| State General Funds | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |

**132.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for a targeted advertising campaign to promote interstate Georgia tourism. (S:Increase funds for one-time funding for a targeted advertising campaign to promote interstate Georgia tourism ($1,000,000) and increase funds for operations and marketing at the Georgia World Congress Center Authority ($3,000,000))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $4,000,000 |

**132.2** *Increase funds to restore funds to the Georgia Historical Society to reflect a 10 percent budget reduction. (S:Increase funds to*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *restore funds to the Georgia Historical Society)* | | | |
| State General Funds | $24,000 | $24,000 | $50,000 |

| **132.100 Tourism** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,368,545 | $11,368,545 | $14,394,545 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,368,545 | $11,368,545 | $14,394,545 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,368,545 | $11,368,545 | $14,394,545 |

***Section 24: Education, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 |
| State General Funds | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| Sales and Services | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,279,850,591 | $10,241,987,923 | $10,235,403,084 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,025,061,427 | $9,987,198,759 | $9,980,613,920 |
| **Revenue Shortfall Reserve for K-12 Needs** | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,460,854 | $28,211,020 | $28,211,020 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| **Sales and Services** | $13,289,441 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $13,289,441 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,403,793,932 | $12,368,681,430 | $12,362,096,591 |

**Agricultural Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 |
| State General Funds | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 |

**133.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the Area Teacher Program, Extended Day/Year, Young Farmers, and Youth Camps. (S:The $1,058,282 appropriated for Youth Camps is solely appropriated for Youth Camps and for no other purposes, and if the camps are not held then the funds shall be returned to the State Treasury)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $505,727 | $589,272 | $589,272 |

**133.2** *Reflect the continued use of $1,500,000 in federal funds for Youth Camps to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | |

| **133.100 Agricultural Education** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,221,315 | $11,304,860 | $11,304,860 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,221,315 | $11,304,860 | $11,304,860 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,764,675 | $14,848,220 | $14,848,220 |

| **Business and Finance Administration** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| State General Funds | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| Sales and Services | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 |

| **134.100 Business and Finance Administration** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| **Sales and Services** | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 |

**Central Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| State General Funds | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| Sales and Services | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 |

**135.100 Central Office** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 |

**Charter Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| State General Funds | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 |

**136.100 Charter Schools** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 |

**Communities in Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |
| State General Funds | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |

**137.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to local affiliates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $85,686 | $85,686 | $85,686 |

| **137.100 Communities in Schools** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |

| **Curriculum Development** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 |
| State General Funds | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 |

**138.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to grants for Computer Science Professional Development.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $93,500 |

| **138.100 Curriculum Development** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,229,454 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,229,454 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 | $7,034,175 |

**Federal Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |

**139.1** *Reflect the continued use of $40,755,153 in federal funds for school systems and other educational programs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**139.100 Federal Programs** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |

**Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 |
| State General Funds | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 |

**140.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the GNETS grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 |

**140.100 Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $56,469,094 | $56,469,094 | $56,469,094 |
| **State General Funds** | $56,469,094 | $56,469,094 | $56,469,094 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $67,791,896 | $67,791,896 | $67,791,896 |

**Georgia Virtual School** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| State General Funds | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| Sales and Services | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 |

**141.1** *Reflect continued use of $2,000,000 in federal funds for Georgia Virtual School to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **141.100 Georgia Virtual School** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **Sales and Services** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 |

| **Information Technology Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| State General Funds | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 |

| **142.100 Information Technology Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 |

| **Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives including: children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.* | | | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |
| State General Funds | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |

**143.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to feminine hygiene grants. (H and S:Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to feminine hygiene grants and prioritize grants to school systems that have low property tax wealth and high percentage of economically disadvantaged students)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |

**143.2** *Reflect continued use of $324,091 in federal funds for Residential Treatment Facilities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**143.100 Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives including: children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,549,024 | $14,549,024 | $14,549,024 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,549,024 | $14,549,024 | $14,549,024 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,549,024 | $14,549,024 | $14,549,024 |

**Nutrition** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| State General Funds | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 |

**144.100 Nutrition** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 |

**Preschool Disabilities Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |
| State General Funds | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |

**145.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 |

**145.100 Preschool Disabilities Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $40,828,905 | $40,828,905 | $40,828,905 |
| **State General Funds** | $40,828,905 | $40,828,905 | $40,828,905 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $40,828,905 | $40,828,905 | $40,828,905 |

**Pupil Transportation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems in their efforts to provide safe and efficient transportation for students to and from school and school related activities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |
| State General Funds | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |

**146.1** *Increase funds for 500 school buses statewide. (S:Increase funds for 513 school buses statewide)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $38,610,000 | $39,613,860 |

**146.100 Pupil Transportation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems in their efforts to provide safe and efficient transportation for students to and from school and school related activities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $136,362,090 | $174,972,090 | $175,975,950 |
| **State General Funds** | $136,362,090 | $174,972,090 | $175,975,950 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $136,362,090 | $174,972,090 | $175,975,950 |

**Quality Basic Education Equalization** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |
| State General Funds | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |

**147.1** *Reduce funds for Equalization grants to reflect corrected data for Cartersville City schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($829,212) | ($829,212) | ($829,212) |

**147.100 Quality Basic Education Equalization** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $725,223,006 | $725,223,006 | $725,223,006 |
| **State General Funds** | $725,223,006 | $725,223,006 | $725,223,006 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $725,223,006 | $725,223,006 | $725,223,006 |

**Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |
| State General Funds | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |

**148.1** *Adjust Local Five Mill Share for new State Commission charter schools and to correct data for Cartersville City schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,931,955) | ($1,931,955) | ($1,931,955) |

**148.2** *Reduce funds to reflect that the $567,546,563 restoration to the Quality Basic Education program removes the statutorily-required cap on FY2021 Local Five Mill Share earnings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($79,532,465) | ($79,532,465) |

**148.100 Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | ($2,060,839,187) | ($2,140,371,652) | ($2,140,371,652) |
| **State General Funds** | ($2,060,839,187) | ($2,140,371,652) | ($2,140,371,652) |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | ($2,060,839,187) | ($2,140,371,652) | ($2,140,371,652) |

**Quality Basic Education Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |
| State General Funds | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |

**149.1** *Increase formula funds for a midterm adjustment based on enrollment growth.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $41,112,461 | $41,068,733 | $41,068,733 |

**149.2** *Increase formula funds for the State Commission Charter School supplement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $26,398,856 | $25,992,777 | $25,992,777 |

**149.3** *Increase formula funds for a midterm adjustment to the State Commission Charter School supplement training and experience.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,304,450 | $3,304,450 | $3,304,450 |

**149.4** *Adjust formula funds for training and experience to reflect corrected data for Coastal Plains Charter School.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,949,890) | ($4,949,890) | ($4,949,890) |

**149.5** *Increase formula funds for a midterm adjustment to the charter system grant.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $419,658 | $480,152 | $480,152 |

**149.6** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 education.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 |

**149.7** *Increase funds to reflect growth in the Special Needs Scholarship. (S:Increase funds so that parents or guardians financially responsible for the students enrolled in the Special Needs Scholarship Program shall be refunded an amount equal to the amount refunded in the state austerity restoration in the 4th Quarter of payments)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,598,671 | $1,900,000 |

**149.8** *Increase funds to provide a hold harmless to Harriet Tubman School of Science and Technology, Delta STEAM Academy, Atlanta Unbound Academy, and Yi Hwang Academy of Language Excellence for a decline in elementary school enrollment. (S:YES; Provide one-time start-up grants for COVID-19 related impacts for first year state commission charter schools)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $600,000 | $0 |

**149.9** *Reflect the continued use of $411,498,415 in federal funds for local school systems to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**149.10** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($254,789,164) | ($254,789,164) | ($254,789,164) |
| Revenue Shortfall Reserve for K-12 Needs | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**149.100 Quality Basic Education Program** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction*

*of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,186,652,021 | $11,189,461,379 | $11,188,162,708 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,931,862,857 | $10,934,672,215 | $10,933,373,544 |
| **Revenue Shortfall Reserve for K-12 Needs** | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 | $254,789,164 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,186,652,021 | $11,189,461,379 | $11,188,162,708 |

**Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development, technology training, and other shared services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| State General Funds | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |

**150.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for grants to RESAs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $889,508 | $889,508 | $889,508 |

**150.100 Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development, technology training, and other shared services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,137,516 | $14,137,516 | $14,137,516 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,137,516 | $14,137,516 | $14,137,516 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,137,516 | $14,137,516 | $14,137,516 |

**School Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low- performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| State General Funds | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 |

**151.100 School Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low- performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 |

**State Charter School Commission Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| Sales and Services | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |

**152.1** *Reflect increased other funds ($2,750,166) for Commission administration associated with increased enrollment in State Charter*

*Schools per O.C.G.A. 20-2-2089(b). (G:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 |

**152.100 State Charter School Commission Administration** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |

**State Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 |
| State General Funds | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| Sales and Services | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 |

**153.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**153.2** *Reflect the continued use $1,092,193 in federal funds for State Schools to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**153.100 State Schools** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $31,038,632 | $31,038,632 | $31,038,632 |
| **State General Funds** | $31,038,632 | $31,038,632 | $31,038,632 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| **Sales and Services** | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,725,819 | $32,725,819 | $32,725,819 |

**Technology/Career Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 |
| State General Funds | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| Sales and Services | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 |

**154.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for Extended Day/Year, Vocational Supervisors, Industry Certification, and Youth Apprenticeship programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $674,030 | $840,924 | $840,924 |

**154.100 Technology/Career Education** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,997,263 | $19,164,157 | $19,164,157 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,997,263 | $19,164,157 | $19,164,157 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| **Sales and Services** | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,342,723 | $70,509,617 | $70,509,617 |

**Testing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 |
| State General Funds | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 |

**155.1** *Increase funds to administer Georgia Milestones in accordance with Federal requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $5,366,103 | $5,366,103 | $0 |

**155.2** *Increase funds to revise testing standards to align with curriculum changes for Math and English in accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,163,364 | $1,163,364 | $0 |

**155.3** *Increase funds for the PSAT and AP exams. (S:Increase funds for AP exams, maintain $3,734,130 for AP exams for one non-STEM AP exam for low-income students and one AP STEM exam for every student taking an AP STEM course, and maintain existing funds of $1,190,000 for PSAT exams)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $362,641 | $362,641 | $8,580 |

**155.4** *Increase funds to administer grants to local systems for developing the GMAP and Navvy assessment pilots from SB362 (2018 Session) and authorized under the federal waiver.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $500,000 |

**155.100 Testing** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,816,888 | $26,816,888 | $20,433,360 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,816,888 | $26,816,888 | $20,433,360 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $52,885,145 | $52,885,145 | $46,501,617 |

**Tuition for Multiple Disability Students** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to provide an appropriate program for a multi-disabled student.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |
| State General Funds | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |

**156.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $93,117 | $93,117 | $93,117 |

**156.100 Tuition for Multiple Disability Students** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to provide an appropriate program for a multi-disabled student.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |

**The formula calculation for Quality Basic Education funding assumes a base unit cost of $2,775.21. In addition, all local school system allotments for Quality Basic Education shall be made in accordance with funds appropriated by this Act.**

***Section 25: Employees' Retirement System of Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| State General Funds | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| State Funds Transfers | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| Retirement Payments | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 |

**Deferred Compensation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |

**157.100 Deferred Compensation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |

**Georgia Military Pension Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| State General Funds | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |

**158.100 Georgia Military Pension Fund** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |

**Public School Employees Retirement System** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| State General Funds | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |

**159.100 Public School Employees Retirement System** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |

**System Administration (ERS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| State General Funds | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| State Funds Transfers | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| Retirement Payments | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 |

**160.100 System Administration (ERS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| **State General Funds** | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 |

**It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed 24.78% for New Plan employees and 20.03% for Old Plan employees. For the GSEPS employees, the employer contribution rate shall not exceed 21.69% for the pension portion of the benefit and 3.0% in employer match contributions for the 401(k) portion of the benefit. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution for Public School Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed $865.85 per member for State Fiscal Year 2021.**

***Section 26: Forestry Commission, State***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 |
| State General Funds | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| Royalties and Rents | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Sales and Services | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| State Funds Transfers | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $35,928,732 | $35,928,732 | $35,928,732 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $35,928,732 | $35,928,732 | $35,928,732 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $52,392,268 | $52,392,268 | $52,392,268 |

**Commission Administration (SFC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| State General Funds | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| Sales and Services | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 |

**161.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 10 vehicles. (H and S:NO; Reflect in the Forest Protection program)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $340,000 | $0 | $0 |

| **161.100 Commission Administration (SFC)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,930,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,930,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **Sales and Services** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,561,689 | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 |

| **Forest Management** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| State General Funds | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| Sales and Services | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| State Funds Transfers | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 |

| **162.100 Forest Management** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 |

| **Forest Protection** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits, to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 |
| State General Funds | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| Royalties and Rents | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Sales and Services | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 |

**163.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 10 vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $340,000 | $340,000 |

**163.100 Forest Protection** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits, to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,430,798 | $28,770,798 | $28,770,798 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,430,798 | $28,770,798 | $28,770,798 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $38,233,791 | $38,573,791 | $38,573,791 |

**Tree Seedling Nursery** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| Sales and Services | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 |

**164.100 Tree Seedling Nursery** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 |

***Section 27: Governor, Office of the***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 |
| State General Funds | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $58,524,552 | $59,492,552 | $66,324,552 |
| **State General Funds** | $58,524,552 | $59,492,552 | $66,324,552 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $90,142,648 | $91,110,648 | $97,942,648 |

**Governor's Emergency Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |

**165.1** *Increase funds.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,500,000 |

**165.100 Governor's Emergency Fund** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $28,562,041 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $28,562,041 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $28,562,041 |

**Governor's Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $60,000.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| State General Funds | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |

**166.100 Governor's Office** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $60,000.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |

**Planning and Budget, Governor's Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| State General Funds | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |

**167.100 Planning and Budget, Governor's Office of** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |

**Equal Opportunity, Georgia Commission on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 |
| State General Funds | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $788,527 | $788,527 | $788,527 |

**168.1** *Increase funds for two equal employment compliance officers to investigate additional employment discrimination cases and leverage additional federal funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $37,774 | $37,774 | $37,774 |

**168.100 Equal Opportunity, Georgia Commission on** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $795,301 | $795,301 | $795,301 |
| **State General Funds** | $795,301 | $795,301 | $795,301 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $826,301 | $826,301 | $826,301 |

**Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact for the federal Department of Homeland Security.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| State General Funds | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 |

**169.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for retirement and leave payouts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $222,535 | $222,535 | $222,535 |

**169.2** *Increase funds to account for increased workload due to the pandemic.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $118,649 | $118,649 | $118,649 |

**169.3** *Reflect the continued use of $2,669,911 in federal funds for the Emergency Management Performance Grant as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**169.100 Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact*

*for the federal Department of Homeland Security.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,048,045 | $3,048,045 | $3,048,045 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,048,045 | $3,048,045 | $3,048,045 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $33,559,083 | $33,559,083 | $33,559,083 |

**Professional Standards Commission, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| State General Funds | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 |

**170.100 Professional Standards Commission, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 |

**Student Achievement, Governor's Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform*

*policy and budget efforts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |
| State General Funds | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |

**171.1** *Increase funds for GA*AWARDS contract. (S:Increase funds for the first year of the three-year GA*AWARDS contract)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $900,000 | $300,000 |

**171.2** *Increase funds for the Governor's Honors program. (S:NO; Due to the uncertainty of a summer residential program occurring during the COVID-19 pandemic, any additional funding needs for the 2021 Governor's Honors Program shall be funded in the Amended FY2022 budget)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $68,000 | $0 |

**171.100 Student Achievement, Governor's Office of** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform policy and budget efforts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,777,437 | $9,745,437 | $9,077,437 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,777,437 | $9,745,437 | $9,077,437 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,777,437 | $9,745,437 | $9,077,437 |

**Child Advocate, Office of the** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| State General Funds | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

**172.100 Child Advocate, Office of the** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

**Office of the State Inspector General** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| State General Funds | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |

**173.100 Office of the State Inspector General** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |

**The Mansion allowance shall be $60,000.**

***Section 28: Human Services, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 |
| State General Funds | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| Sales and Services | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 |
| State Funds Transfers | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $800,426,868 | $800,208,745 | $800,208,745 |
| **State General Funds** | $800,126,881 | $799,908,758 | $799,908,758 |
| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund** | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,053,261,490 | $1,052,817,055 | $1,052,817,055 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $483,992,740 | $483,588,304 | $483,588,304 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $93,728,689 | $93,688,690 | $93,688,690 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $305,035,290 | $305,035,290 | $305,035,290 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $302,845,908 | $302,845,908 | $302,845,908 |
| **TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604** | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| **Sales and Services** | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,293,977 | $1,848,202 | $1,848,202 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $729,606 | $1,283,831 | $1,283,831 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $729,606 | $1,283,831 | $1,283,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,882,121,174 | $1,882,012,841 | $1,882,012,841 |

**Adoptions Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| State General Funds | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 |

**174.1** *Recognize $3,479,448 in state fund savings from the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize funds for adoptions caseload growth. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**174.100 Adoptions Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| **State General Funds** | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 |

**After School Care** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |

**175.100 After School Care** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |

**Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| State General Funds | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 |

**176.100 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 |

**Child Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 |
| State General Funds | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| State Funds Transfers | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 |

**177.1** *Reduce funds to reflect savings from vacant child support services agent positions.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($208,346) | ($208,346) |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | ($404,436) | ($404,436) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($612,782) | ($612,782) |

**177.100 Child Support Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,258,473 | $26,050,127 | $26,050,127 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,258,473 | $26,050,127 | $26,050,127 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $79,645,803 | $79,241,367 | $79,241,367 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $79,645,803 | $79,241,367 | $79,241,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $109,700,036 | $109,087,254 | $109,087,254 |

**Child Welfare Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 |
| State General Funds | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| State Funds Transfers | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 |

**178.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the delayed start dates of 12 supervisor-mentor and foster care support services positions.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($226,668) | ($226,668) |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($39,999) | ($39,999) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($266,667) | ($266,667) |

**178.2** *Increase funds for contracts for educational services with the Multi-Agency Alliance for Children.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $176,500 | $176,500 |

**178.3** *Reflect the continued use of federal funds for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) ($26,896,180), Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) ($44,684,626), and additional child welfare services ($1,729,109) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**178.100 Child Welfare Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $194,072,274 | $194,022,106 | $194,022,106 |
| **State General Funds** | $194,072,274 | $194,022,106 | $194,022,106 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $203,183,881 | $203,143,882 | $203,143,882 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $40,699,953 | $40,659,954 | $40,659,954 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 |
| **TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604** | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $397,390,301 | $397,300,134 | $397,300,134 |

**Community Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

**179.100 Community Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

**Departmental Administration (DHS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 |
| State General Funds | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| State Funds Transfers | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 |

**180.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the increased enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($537,534) | ($537,534) | ($537,534) |

**180.2** *Increase funds to begin the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,080,449 | $4,080,449 | $4,080,449 |

**180.3** *Recognize savings from the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds from the Out-of-Home Care program to the Departmental Administration (DHS) program for a projected deficit in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) contract due to an increase in SNAP cases related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $412,940 | $412,940 | $412,940 |

**180.4** *Increase funds for Integrated Eligibility System cloud migration implementation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,368,500 | $1,368,500 | $1,368,500 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $145,872 | $145,872 | $145,872 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $2,953 | $2,953 | $2,953 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,018,717 | $1,018,717 | $1,018,717 |
| Total Public Funds: | $2,536,042 | $2,536,042 | $2,536,042 |

**180.100 Departmental Administration (DHS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $58,201,888 | $58,201,888 | $58,201,888 |
| **State General Funds** | $58,201,888 | $58,201,888 | $58,201,888 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,119,308 | $50,119,308 | $50,119,308 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $31,942,340 | $31,942,340 | $31,942,340 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $6,711,205 | $6,711,205 | $6,711,205 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $4,072,396 | $4,072,396 | $4,072,396 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $4,072,396 | $4,072,396 | $4,072,396 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $121,901,248 | $121,901,248 | $121,901,248 |

**Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| State General Funds | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 |

**181.100 Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 |

**Elder Community Living Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own*

*communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| State General Funds | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 |

**182.1** *Reflect the continued use of federal funds for supportive services ($5,439,519), congregate and home-delivered meals ($19,582,269), family caregivers ($2,597,565), and the Ombudsman program ($543,952) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**182.100 Elder Community Living Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| **State General Funds** | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 |

**Elder Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older Georgians, so that they may live in their homes and communities, by providing health, employment, nutrition, and other support and education services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| State General Funds | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 |

**183.100 Elder Support Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older Georgians, so that they may live in their homes and communities, by providing health, employment, nutrition, and other support and education services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 |

**Energy Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |

**184.100 Energy Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |

**Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 |

**185.1** *Increase funds for Office of State Administrative Hearings (OSAH) adjudication services to reflect a change in billing methodology.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |

**185.2** *Increase funds to begin implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $707,702 | $707,702 | $707,702 |

**185.3** *Reflect the continued use of $27,596,178 in federal funds for the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**185.100 Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $116,793,857 | $116,793,857 | $116,793,857 |
| **State General Funds** | $116,793,857 | $116,793,857 | $116,793,857 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $319,787,438 | $319,787,438 | $319,787,438 |

**Out-of-Home Care** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 |
| State General Funds | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 |

**186.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,245,582) | ($2,245,582) | ($2,245,582) |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $2,245,582 | $2,245,582 | $2,245,582 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**186.2** *Recognize savings from the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds from the Out-of-Home Care program to the Departmental Administration (DHS) program for a projected deficit in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) contract due to an increase in SNAP cases related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($412,940) | ($412,940) | ($412,940) |

**186.100 Out-of-Home Care** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $279,492,295 | $279,492,295 | $279,492,295 |
| **State General Funds** | $279,492,295 | $279,492,295 | $279,492,295 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $99,205,664 | $99,205,664 | $99,205,664 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $37,855,270 | $37,855,270 | $37,855,270 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $378,697,959 | $378,697,959 | $378,697,959 |

**Refugee Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

**187.100 Refugee Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

**Residential Child Care Licensing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| State General Funds | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 |

**188.100 Residential Child Care Licensing** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 |

**Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| State General Funds | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 |

**189.100 Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 |

**Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 |

**190.100 Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 |

**Council On Aging** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| State General Funds | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

**191.100 Council On Aging** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| **State General Funds** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

**Family Connection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| State General Funds | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 |

**192.100 Family Connection** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| State General Funds | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 |

**193.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 |
| State General Funds | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| Sales and Services | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 |

**194.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the start date of the director position.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($109,609) | ($109,609) |

**194.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

| **Administration** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,334,822 | $1,225,213 | $1,225,213 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,334,822 | $1,225,213 | $1,225,213 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,527,918 | $9,418,309 | $9,418,309 |

| **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services** | **Continuation Budget** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |

| **195.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services** | **Appropriation (HB 80)** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.* | | | |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |

| **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for** | **Continuation Budget** | | |
|---|---|---|---|

**the Blind**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| Sales and Services | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

**196.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for the Blind** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 |
| State General Funds | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| Sales and Services | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 |

**197.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for website development.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $554,225 | $554,225 |
| Total Public Funds: | $704,225 | $704,225 |

| **197.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $17,535,060 | $17,685,060 | $17,685,060 |
| **State General Funds** | $17,535,060 | $17,685,060 | $17,685,060 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $729,606 | $1,283,831 | $1,283,831 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $729,606 | $1,283,831 | $1,283,831 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $729,606 | $1,283,831 | $1,283,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,243,149 | $87,947,374 | $87,947,374 |

| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**198.1** *Increase funds to reflect collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |

**198.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**198.100 Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |
| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund** | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $299,987 | $299,987 | $299,987 |

**All Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefit payments are calculated utilizing a factor of 66.0% of the standards of need; such payments shall be made from the date of certification and not from the date of application; and the following maximum benefits and maximum standards of need shall apply:**
**For an assistance group of one, the standard of need is $235, and the maximum monthly amount is $155.**
**For an assistance group of two, the standard of need is $356, and the maximum monthly amount is $235.**
**For an assistance group of three, the standard of need is $424, and the maximum monthly amount is $280.**
**For an assistance group of four, the standard of need is $500, and the maximum monthly amount is $330.**
**For an assistance group of five, the standard of need is $573, and the maximum monthly amount is $378.**
**For an assistance group of six, the standard of need is $621, and the maximum monthly amount is $410.**
**For an assistance group of seven, the standard of need is $672, and the maximum monthly amount is $444.**
**For an assistance group of eight, the standard of need is $713, and the maximum monthly amount is $470.**
**For an assistance group of nine, the standard of need is $751, and the maximum monthly amount is $496.**
**For an assistance group of ten, the standard of need is $804, and the maximum monthly amount is $530.**
**For an assistance group of eleven, the standard of need is $860, and the maximum monthly amount is $568.**
**Provided, the Department of Human Services is authorized to make supplemental payments on these maximum monthly**

**amounts up to the amount that is equal to the minimum hourly wage for clients who are enrolled in subsidized work experience and subsidized employment.**

***Section 29: Insurance, Office of the Commissioner of***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 |
| State General Funds | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| State Funds Transfers | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,636,770 | $18,636,770 | $18,636,770 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,636,770 | $18,636,770 | $18,636,770 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $234,026 | $234,026 | $234,026 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $234,026 | $234,026 | $234,026 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $234,026 | $234,026 | $234,026 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,201,164 | $19,201,164 | $19,201,164 |

**Departmental Administration (COI)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and industrial loan transactions and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| State General Funds | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |

**199.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for one filled executive position.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $194,899 | $194,899 | $194,899 |

**199.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**199.100 Departmental Administration (COI)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,221,596 | $2,221,596 | $2,221,596 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,221,596 | $2,221,596 | $2,221,596 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,221,596 | $2,221,596 | $2,221,596 |

**Enforcement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, industrial loan, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| State General Funds | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

**200.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**200.100 Enforcement** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| **State General Funds** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

**Fire Safety** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 |
| State General Funds | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| State Funds Transfers | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 |

**201.1** *Increase funds to reflect projected loss of other funds for nursing home inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | ($100,000) | ($100,000) | ($100,000) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**201.2** *Replace funds for manufactured housing inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($76,963) | ($76,963) | ($76,963) |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $76,963 | $76,963 | $76,963 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**201.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the*

*public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

State General Funds $0

**201.100 Fire Safety** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,082,188 | $7,082,188 | $7,082,188 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,082,188 | $7,082,188 | $7,082,188 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $234,026 | $234,026 | $234,026 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $234,026 | $234,026 | $234,026 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $234,026 | $234,026 | $234,026 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 |

**Insurance Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| State General Funds | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

**202.100 Insurance Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

**Special Fraud** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| State General Funds | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |

**203.100 Special Fraud** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |

***Section 30: Investigation, Georgia Bureau of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 |
| State General Funds | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| Sales and Services | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| State Funds Transfers | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $170,615,801 | $171,018,632 | $171,218,632 |
| **State General Funds** | $170,615,801 | $171,018,632 | $171,218,632 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| **Sales and Services** | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $287,602,814 | $288,005,645 | $288,205,645 |

**Bureau Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| State General Funds | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| State Funds Transfers | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 |

**204.100 Bureau Administration** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 |

**Criminal Justice Information Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| State General Funds | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| Sales and Services | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 |

| **205.100 Criminal Justice Information Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **Sales and Services** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 |

| **Forensic Scientific Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms, digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 |
| State General Funds | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| Sales and Services | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 |

| **206.1** *Increase funds for the recruitment and retention of medical examiners.* | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $427,401 | $427,401 |

| **206.100 Forensic Scientific Services** | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms,* | |

*digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,841,513 | $40,268,914 | $40,268,914 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,841,513 | $40,268,914 | $40,268,914 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $41,781,884 | $42,209,285 | $42,209,285 |

**Regional Investigative Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 |
| State General Funds | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| Sales and Services | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 |

**207.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 70 vehicles for the investigations division, six vehicles for the bomb squad, and to refurbish six crime scene response vehicles.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,170,000 | $4,170,000 | $4,170,000 |

**207.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to implement the second phase of the criminal gang database.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $223,600 | $223,600 | $223,600 |

**207.3** *Reduce funds for personnel based on actual start date for a new database administrator position.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($24,570) | ($24,570) |

**207.100 Regional Investigative Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $53,380,517 | $53,355,947 | $53,355,947 |
| **State General Funds** | $53,380,517 | $53,355,947 | $53,355,947 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| **Sales and Services** | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $56,917,320 | $56,892,750 | $56,892,750 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| State General Funds | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| Sales and Services | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 |

**208.1** *Reflect the continued use of $15,840,333 in federal funds for the Justice Assistance Grants as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**208.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **Sales and Services** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| State General Funds | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |

**209.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| **State General Funds** | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide certified domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers with funds so as to provide the necessary services to primary and secondary victims of domestic violence and sexual assault statewide.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |
| State General Funds | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |

**210.1** *Reflect the continued use of $1,185,302 in federal funds for Family Violence Prevention as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**210.2** *Increase funds for domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers.*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $200,000 |

**210.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide certified domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers with funds so as to provide the necessary services to primary and secondary victims of domestic violence and sexual assault statewide.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,735,923 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,735,923 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,735,923 |

***Section 31: Juvenile Justice, Department of***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| State General Funds | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| **State General Funds** | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 |

**Community Service** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound*

*services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| State General Funds | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 |

**211.100 Community Service** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| **State General Funds** | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 |

**Departmental Administration (DJJ)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| State General Funds | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |

**212.100 Departmental Administration (DJJ)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |

**Secure Commitment (YDCs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| State General Funds | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 |

**213.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for juvenile correctional officers in secure facilities effective April 1, 2021. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**213.100 Secure Commitment (YDCs)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| **State General Funds** | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 |

**Secure Detention (RYDCs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the Short Term Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| State General Funds | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 |

**214.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for juvenile correctional officers in secure facilities effective April 1, 2021. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**214.100 Secure Detention (RYDCs)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Short Term Program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 |
| ***Section 32: Labor, Department of*** | | | |
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 |
| State General Funds | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,800,788 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,800,788 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 | $114,287,742 |

**Departmental Administration (DOL)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| State General Funds | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Sales and Services | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| State Funds Transfers | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 |

**215.100 Departmental Administration (DOL)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 |

**215.101 Special Project - Departmental Administration (DOL):** The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.

State General Funds $49,729

**Labor Market Information** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |

**216.100 Labor Market Information** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |

**Unemployment Insurance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| State General Funds | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Sales and Services | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 |

**217.1** *Reflect the continued use of federal funds for the Unemployment Insurance Program ($31,964,147), the Short-Term Compensation Program ($3,188,424), and the Dislocated Worker Program ($25,294,837) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**217.100 Unemployment Insurance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 |

**Workforce Solutions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| State General Funds | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 |

**218.100 Workforce Solutions** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 |

***Section 33: Law, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| State General Funds | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| Sales and Services | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **Sales and Services** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $92,909,463 | $92,909,463 | $92,909,463 |

**Law, Department of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| State General Funds | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| Sales and Services | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Funds Transfers | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 |

**219.1** *Increase funds to reflect historical revenues from reimbursements for legal services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $78,100 | $78,100 | $78,100 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 |
| Total Public Funds: | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 |

**219.100 Law, Department of** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| **State General Funds** | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **Sales and Services** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,897,637 | $87,897,637 | $87,897,637 |

**Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| State General Funds | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| Sales and Services | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 |

**220.1** *Increase funds to reflect historical revenues from Medicaid fraud investigations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $35,342 | $35,342 | $35,342 |

| **220.100 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 |

**There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Law the sum of $500,000 of the moneys collected in accordance with O.C.G.A. Title 10, Chapter 1, Article 28. The sum of money is appropriated for use by the Department of Law for consumer protection for all the purposes for which such moneys may be appropriated pursuant to Article 28.**

***Section 34: Natural Resources, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 |
| State General Funds | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Royalties and Rents | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| Sales and Services | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $133,367,864 | $133,367,864 | $133,747,864 |
| **State General Funds** | $133,367,864 | $133,367,864 | $133,747,864 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| **Sales and Services** | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $300,410,492 | $300,410,492 | $300,790,492 |

**Coastal Resources** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| State General Funds | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| Royalties and Rents | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 |

**221.1** *Reflect the continued used of $1,921,832 in federal funds for fishery participants as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**221.100 Coastal Resources** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 |

**Departmental Administration (DNR)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| State General Funds | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 |

**222.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 45 vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |

**222.100 Departmental Administration (DNR)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,779,003 | $12,779,003 | $12,779,003 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,779,003 | $12,779,003 | $12,779,003 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **Sales and Services** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,818,068 | $12,818,068 | $12,818,068 |

**Environmental Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 |
| State General Funds | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| Sales and Services | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 |

**223.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 26 vehicles and laboratory equipment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |

**223.100 Environmental Protection** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,890,052 | $30,890,052 | $30,890,052 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,890,052 | $30,890,052 | $30,890,052 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $115,457,786 | $115,457,786 | $115,457,786 |

**Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding through grant and loan opportunities for land conservation, parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| State General Funds | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |

**224.1** *Increase funds for grants and benefits per HB332 and HR238 (2018 Session) to reflect FY2019 collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,430,466 | $3,430,466 | $3,430,466 |

**224.100 Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding through grant and loan opportunities for land conservation, parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,430,466 | $19,430,466 | $19,430,466 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,430,466 | $19,430,466 | $19,430,466 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,430,466 | $19,430,466 | $19,430,466 |

**Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| State General Funds | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |

**225.1** *Increase funds for remediation of environmental hazards at county courthouses.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $350,000 |

**225.100 Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,694,246 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,694,246 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,694,246 |

**Law Enforcement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and visitors of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| State General Funds | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 |

**226.100 Law Enforcement** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and visitors of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 |

**Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 |
| State General Funds | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| Sales and Services | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 |

**227.1** *Increase funds for historic site grants.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,000 |

**227.100 Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,854,919 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,854,919 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| **Sales and Services** | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 | $48,450,739 |

**Solid Waste Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the scrap tire management activity; to enable emergency, preventative,*

*and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| State General Funds | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |

**228.100 Solid Waste Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the scrap tire management activity; to enable emergency, preventative, and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |

**Wildlife Resources** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| State General Funds | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Royalties and Rents | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| Sales and Services | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 |

**229.1** *Increase funds for the Wildlife Endowment Fund based on actual lifetime sportsman's license revenues in FY2020.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $493,580 | $493,580 | $493,580 |

| **229.100 Wildlife Resources** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,219,570 | $20,219,570 | $20,219,570 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,219,570 | $20,219,570 | $20,219,570 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $58,850,560 | $58,850,560 | $58,850,560 |

**Provided, that to the extent State Parks and Historic Sites receipts are realized in excess of the amount of such funds contemplated in this Act, the Office of Planning and Budget is authorized to use up to 50 percent of the excess receipts to supplant State funds and the balance may be amended into the budget of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division for the most critical needs of the Division. This provision shall not apply to revenues collected from a state park's parking pass implemented by the Department.**

***Section 35: Pardons and Paroles, State Board of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| State General Funds | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $16,955,100 | $16,955,100 | $16,955,100 |
| **State General Funds** | $16,955,100 | $16,955,100 | $16,955,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,955,100 | $16,955,100 | $16,955,100 |

**Board Administration (SBPP)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| State General Funds | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |

**230.100 Board Administration (SBPP)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |

**Clemency Decisions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Board in exercising its constitutional authority over executive clemency. This includes setting tentative parole dates for offenders in the correctional system and all aspects of parole status of offenders in the community including warrants, violations, commutations, and revocations. The Board coordinates all interstate compact release matters regarding the acceptance and placement of parolees into and from the State of Georgia and administers the pardon process by reviewing all applications and granting or denying these applications based on specific criteria.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| State General Funds | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |

**231.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to purchase and equip 16 vehicles for field operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $405,000 | $405,000 | $405,000 |

| **231.100 Clemency Decisions** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Board in exercising its constitutional authority over executive clemency. This includes setting tentative parole dates for offenders in the correctional system and all aspects of parole status of offenders in the community including warrants, violations, commutations, and revocations. The Board coordinates all interstate compact release matters regarding the acceptance and placement of parolees into and from the State of Georgia and administers the pardon process by reviewing all applications and granting or denying these applications based on specific criteria.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,344,621 | $14,344,621 | $14,344,621 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,344,621 | $14,344,621 | $14,344,621 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,344,621 | $14,344,621 | $14,344,621 |

| **Victim Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement, conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, host victims visitors' days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections, community supervision, and pardons and paroles systems.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| State General Funds | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |

| **232.100 Victim Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement, conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, host victims visitors' days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections, community supervision, and pardons and paroles systems.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |

***Section 36: Properties Commission, State***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,207,500 | $3,207,500 | $3,207,500 |

**Properties Commission, State** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**233.1** *Increase funds to perform a property assessment to maximize space utilization of state owned and rented properties.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |

**233.100 Properties Commission, State** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,207,500 | $3,207,500 | $3,207,500 |

***Section 37: Public Defender Council, Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 |
| State General Funds | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $59,024,507 | $59,033,993 | $59,033,993 |
| **State General Funds** | $59,024,507 | $59,033,993 | $59,033,993 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $92,432,807 | $92,442,293 | $92,442,293 |

| **Public Defender Council** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, Central Office, and the administration of the Conflict Division.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 |
| State General Funds | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 |
| **234.1** *Increase funds for rent to relocate to the Trinity-Washington Building.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $288,066 | $288,066 | $288,066 |
| **234.2** *Increase funds to restore funds for personnel and operations.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $9,486 | $9,486 |

| **234.100 Public Defender Council** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, Central Office, and the administration of the Conflict Division.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,123,141 | $8,132,627 | $8,132,627 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,123,141 | $8,132,627 | $8,132,627 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,031,441 | $10,040,927 | $10,040,927 |

**Public Defenders** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12; including providing representation to clients in cases where the Capital Defender or a circuit public defender has a conflict of interest.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| State General Funds | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 |

**235.100 Public Defenders** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12; including providing representation to clients in cases where the Capital Defender or a circuit public defender has a conflict of interest.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| **State General Funds** | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 |

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| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 |
| State General Funds | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| Sales and Services | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| State Funds Transfers | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $293,240,832 | $326,969,420 | $325,254,589 |
| **State General Funds** | $278,091,443 | $311,820,031 | $310,105,200 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 |
| **Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $20,675,836 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | | | $11,100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | | | $11,100,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| **Sales and Services** | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $699,350,453 | $733,079,041 | $742,464,210 |

**Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 |
| State General Funds | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 |

| **236.100 Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 |

| **Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 |

| **237.100 Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 |

| **Departmental Administration (DPH)** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 |
| State General Funds | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 |

**238.1** *Increase funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, and a chief data officer to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership. (S:Increase funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, a chief data officer, a senior programmer, and a financial manager to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $285,997 | $485,997 |

| **238.100 Departmental Administration (DPH)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,265,787 | $24,551,784 | $24,751,784 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $24,133,992 | $24,419,989 | $24,619,989 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,523,643 | $36,809,640 | $37,009,640 |

**Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the capacity of the state's trauma system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 |
| State General Funds | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| State Funds Transfers | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 |

**239.1** *Recognize savings from the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds from the Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services program to the Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement program for the Grady Regional Coordinating Center for the continued coordination of emergency room use.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $289,000 | $289,000 | $289,000 |

**239.2** *Reflect $30,067,358 in federal funds for the Public Health Crisis Response (PHEP), Healthcare Preparedness, Emerging Infections, and other grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | | $0 |

**239.100 Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the capacity of the state's trauma system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,127,266 | $5,127,266 | $5,127,266 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,127,266 | $5,127,266 | $5,127,266 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,974,715 | $28,974,715 | $28,974,715 |

**Epidemiology** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 |
| State General Funds | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 |

**240.1** *Increase funds to replace and modernize the public health surveillance system to improve current COVID-19 pandemic response as well as future epidemiologic surveillance capacity. (S:Increase funds to replace and modernize the public health surveillance system to improve current COVID-19 pandemic response as well as future epidemiologic surveillance capacity and redirect $11,100,000 in 5-year issued bonds from 2016 and 2017 for the Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB76, Bond #355.341 and HB751, Bond #66) to be used for the implementation of an new vaccine management system)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $18,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | | $11,100,000 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total Public Funds: | $18,000,000 | $27,100,000 |

**240.2** *Reflect $894,663,222 in federal funds for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **240.100 Epidemiology** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,301,213 | $23,301,213 | $21,301,213 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,185,576 | $23,185,576 | $21,185,576 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | | | $11,100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | | | $11,100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | | | $11,100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,853,806 | $29,853,806 | $38,953,806 |

| **Immunization** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| State General Funds | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 |

**241.1** *Reflect $110,813,431 in federal funds for the Early Influenza Season and COVID-19 Vaccine Preparedness grants to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **241.100 Immunization** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 |

| **Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 |
| State General Funds | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 |

**242.1** *Recognize savings from the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and transfer funds from the Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services program to the Emergency Preparedness /Trauma System Improvement program for the Grady Regional Coordinating Center for the continued coordination of emergency room use.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($289,000) | ($289,000) | ($289,000) |

**242.2** *Recognize $379,194 in state fund savings from the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the*

*COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize funds for comprehensive health services to infants and children. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**242.100 Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,029,342 | $24,029,342 | $24,029,342 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,029,342 | $24,029,342 | $24,029,342 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $47,107,162 | $47,107,162 | $47,107,162 |

**Infant and Child Health Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| State General Funds | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 |

**243.100 Infant and Child Health Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 |

**Infectious Disease Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 |
| State General Funds | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 |

**244.1** *Increase funds to accurately reflect the reduction of FY2021 vacant positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $144,026 | $144,026 | $144,026 |

**244.2** *Increase funds for the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) to support the increased utilization during the COVID-19 pandemic.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $15,442,591 | $15,442,591 |

**244.3** *Reflect the continued use of $1,161,513 in federal funds for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS grant to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**244.100 Infectious Disease Control** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,134,738 | $47,577,329 | $47,577,329 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,134,738 | $47,577,329 | $47,577,329 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $80,062,399 | $95,504,990 | $95,504,990 |

**Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| State General Funds | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| Sales and Services | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 |

**245.100 Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **Sales and Services** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 |

**Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| State General Funds | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

**246.100 Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

**Vital Records** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| State General Funds | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 |

**247.100 Vital Records** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 |

**Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |

**248.100 Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| **Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |

**Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| State General Funds | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |

**249.1** *Increase funds to reflect fireworks excise tax revenue collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $458,575 | $458,575 | $543,744 |

**249.2** *Increase funds to reflect 2020 Super Speeder collections and reinstatement fees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $8,607,207 | $8,607,207 | $8,607,207 |

**249.100 Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,472,677 | $23,472,677 | $23,557,846 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,472,677 | $23,472,677 | $23,557,846 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,472,677 | $23,472,677 | $23,557,846 |

***Section 39: Public Safety, Department of***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 |
| State General Funds | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| Sales and Services | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| State Funds Transfers | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $194,563,741 | $190,510,723 | $193,880,745 |
| **State General Funds** | $194,563,741 | $190,510,723 | $193,880,745 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| **Sales and Services** | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $255,370,544 | $251,317,526 | $254,687,548 |

**Aviation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |
| State General Funds | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |

**250.1** *Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $45,360 |

**250.2** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,269 |

**250.3** *Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,260 |

**250.100 Aviation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,058,242 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,058,242 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,058,242 |

**Capitol Police Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| Sales and Services | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |

**251.1** *Utilize existing funds ($48,600) for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**251.2** *Utilize existing funds ($5,120) to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**251.3** *Utilize existing funds ($1,169) for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**251.100 Capitol Police Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |

**Departmental Administration (DPS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department and administratively attached agencies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 |
| State General Funds | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| Sales and Services | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 |

**252.1** *Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $61,560 |

**252.2** *Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,542 |

**252.100 Departmental Administration (DPS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department and administratively attached agencies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,710,888 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,710,888 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,714,398 |

**Field Offices and Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team, the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 |
| State General Funds | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 |
| Sales and Services | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| State Funds Transfers | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 |

**253.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to purchase 321 vehicles for the Georgia State Patrol.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $12,390,000 | $12,390,000 | $12,390,000 |

**253.2** *Utilize existing funds for personnel and operations costs for a 100-person trooper school. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**253.3** *Reduce funds to reflect the decrease in the number of trooper schools for FY2021. (S:Reduce funds and redirect $3,120,402 in funds for recruitment and retention initiatives for sworn and civilian employees)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($4,000,000) | ($3,950,000) |

**253.4** *Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,454,300 |

**253.5** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $145,610 |

**253.6** *Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $56,844 |

**253.100 Field Offices and Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team, the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $140,550,036 | $136,550,036 | $139,256,790 |
| **State General Funds** | $140,550,036 | $136,550,036 | $139,256,790 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 |
| **Sales and Services** | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $143,487,870 | $139,487,870 | $142,194,624 |

**Motor Carrier Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 |
| State General Funds | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| Sales and Services | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 |

**254.1** *Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*

State General Funds $257,580

**254.2** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

State General Funds $33,921

**254.3** *Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*

State General Funds $6,937

**254.100 Motor Carrier Compliance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,637,733 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,637,733 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 | $38,059,804 |

**Office of Public Safety Officer Support** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide peer counselors and critical incident support services to requesting local and state public entities that employ public safety officers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |
| State General Funds | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |

**255.1** *Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*

State General Funds $50,220

**255.2** *Utilize existing funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**255.100 Office of Public Safety Officer Support** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide peer counselors and critical incident support services to requesting local and state public entities that employ public safety officers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,159,647 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,159,647 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,159,647 |

**Firefighter Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |
| State General Funds | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |

**256.1** *Increase funds to reflect FY2020 fireworks excise tax collections per SR558 and SB350 (2016 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $333,508 | $333,508 | $333,508 |

**256.2** *Increase funds to replace two high-mileage vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $48,000 | $48,000 |

**256.3** *Increase funds for virtual testing resources for firefighter certification and training.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $50,000 |

**256.100 Firefighter Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,666,020 | $1,714,020 | $1,764,020 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,666,020 | $1,714,020 | $1,764,020 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,666,020 | $1,714,020 | $1,764,020 |

**Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |
| State General Funds | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |

**257.1** *Increase funds to provide mandatory training for newly elected sheriffs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $275,000 | $173,982 | $173,982 |

**257.100 Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,145,669 | $4,044,651 | $4,044,651 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,145,669 | $4,044,651 | $4,044,651 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,145,669 | $4,044,651 | $4,044,651 |

**Public Safety Training Center, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 |
| State General Funds | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| Sales and Services | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 |

**258.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding to replace 12 vehicles for training staff.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |

**258.100 Public Safety Training Center, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,938,563 | $15,938,563 | $15,938,563 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,938,563 | $15,938,563 | $15,938,563 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,634,784 | $22,634,784 | $22,634,784 |

**Highway Safety, Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 |
| State General Funds | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| Sales and Services | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 |

**259.1** *Reduce funds for driver's education and training to reflect Fiscal Year 2020 fine collections in accordance with Joshua's Law. (S:Reduce funds for driver's education and training)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($264,256) | ($264,256) | ($132,128) |

**259.2** *Increase funds to restore partial funding for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $17,491 |

**259.100 Highway Safety, Office of** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,160,592 | $3,160,592 | $3,310,211 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,160,592 | $3,160,592 | $3,310,211 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **Sales and Services** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,502,682 | $23,502,682 | $23,652,301 |

***Section 40: Public Service Commission***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 |
| State General Funds | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,493,797 | $9,528,797 | $9,528,797 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,493,797 | $9,528,797 | $9,528,797 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,836,897 | $10,871,897 | $10,871,897 |

**Commission Administration (PSC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 |
| State General Funds | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 |

**260.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for legal fees.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $35,000 | $35,000 |

**260.100 Commission Administration (PSC)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,574,819 | $1,609,819 | $1,609,819 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,574,819 | $1,609,819 | $1,609,819 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,658,319 | $1,693,319 | $1,693,319 |

**Facility Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| State General Funds | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 |

**261.1** *Utilize existing funds to address unexpected attrition. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**261.100 Facility Protection** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 |

**Utilities Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| State General Funds | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 |

**262.100 Utilities Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 |

***Section 41: Regents, University System of Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 |
| State General Funds | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| Sales and Services | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,365,609,026 | $2,373,733,425 | $2,374,219,595 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,365,609,026 | $2,373,733,425 | $2,374,219,595 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 |
| **Record Center Storage Fees** | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,297,481,023 | $8,305,605,422 | $8,306,091,592 |

**Agricultural Experiment Station** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 |
| State General Funds | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 |

**263.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($118,443) | ($118,443) | ($118,443) |

**263.2** *Increase funds for operations. (S:Increase funds and reflect anticipated delay in start dates for new hires)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,851,620 | $2,726,620 |

**263.100 Agricultural Experiment Station** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $42,291,220 | $45,142,840 | $45,017,840 |
| **State General Funds** | $42,291,220 | $45,142,840 | $45,017,840 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,473,875 | $90,325,495 | $90,200,495 |

**Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories Contract** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, disease research, and educational outreach for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| Sales and Services | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**264.100 Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories Contract** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, disease research, and educational outreach for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**Cooperative Extension Service** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 |
| State General Funds | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| Sales and Services | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 |

**265.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($60,657) | ($60,657) | ($60,657) |

**265.2** *Increase funds for operations. (S:Increase funds and reflect anticipated delay in start dates for new hires)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,652,325 | $2,527,325 |

**265.100 Cooperative Extension Service** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,300,734 | $41,953,059 | $41,828,059 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,300,734 | $41,953,059 | $41,828,059 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $73,929,019 | $76,581,344 | $76,456,344 |

**Enterprise Innovation Institute** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 |
| State General Funds | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 |

**266.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($24,136) | ($24,136) | ($24,136) |

**266.2** *Reflect the responsibilities and funding for Invest Georgia to remain in the Board of Regents. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**266.100 Enterprise Innovation Institute** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,435,472 | $9,435,472 | $9,435,472 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,435,472 | $9,435,472 | $9,435,472 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,435,472 | $24,435,472 | $24,435,472 |

**Forestry Cooperative Extension** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 |
| State General Funds | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| Sales and Services | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 |

**267.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($11,902) | ($11,902) | ($11,902) |

**267.2** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,122 | $64,122 |

**267.100 Forestry Cooperative Extension** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $900,696 | $964,818 | $964,818 |
| **State General Funds** | $900,696 | $964,818 | $964,818 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| **Sales and Services** | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,601,684 | $1,665,806 | $1,665,806 |

**Forestry Research** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 |
| State General Funds | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 |

**268.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($9,089) | ($9,089) | ($9,089) |

**268.2** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $198,572 | $198,572 |

**268.100 Forestry Research** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,657,594 | $2,856,166 | $2,856,166 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,657,594 | $2,856,166 | $2,856,166 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,136,837 | $14,335,409 | $14,335,409 |

**Georgia Archives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| State General Funds | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| Sales and Services | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 |

**269.100 Georgia Archives** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| **Sales and Services** | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 |
| **Record Center Storage Fees** | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 |

| **Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance cybersecurity technology for private and public industries through unique education, training, research, and practical applications.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 |
| State General Funds | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| Sales and Services | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 |

**270.1** *Increase funds for a rural coding pilot and associated start-up expenses.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $197,000 |

| **270.100 Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance cybersecurity technology for private and public industries through unique education, training, research, and practical applications.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,543,572 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,543,572 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **Sales and Services** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 | $6,316,554 |

| **Georgia Research Alliance** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to expand research and commercialization capacity in public and private universities in Georgia to launch new companies and create jobs.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| State General Funds | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |

| **271.100 Georgia Research Alliance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to expand research and commercialization capacity in public and private universities in Georgia to launch new companies and create jobs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |

| **Georgia Tech Research Institute** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 |
| State General Funds | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| Sales and Services | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 |

| **272.1** *Increase funds for operations.* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $359,041 | $359,041 |

| **272.100 Georgia Tech Research Institute** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,490,643 | $5,849,684 | $5,849,684 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,490,643 | $5,849,684 | $5,849,684 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $645,151,650 | $645,510,691 | $645,510,691 |

**Marine Institute** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 |
| State General Funds | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 |

**273.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $71,707 | $71,707 |

**273.100 Marine Institute** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $900,618 | $972,325 | $972,325 |
| **State General Funds** | $900,618 | $972,325 | $972,325 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,386,899 | $1,458,606 | $1,458,606 |

**Marine Resources Extension Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 |
| State General Funds | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| Sales and Services | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 |

**274.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,809) | ($6,809) | ($6,809) |

**274.2** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $83,486 | $83,486 |

**274.100 Marine Resources Extension Center** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,427,461 | $1,510,947 | $1,510,947 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $1,427,461 | $1,510,947 | $1,510,947 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,967,461 | $3,050,947 | $3,050,947 |

**Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support graduate medical education at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and provide patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| State General Funds | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |

**275.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,627,793 | $1,627,793 |

**275.100 Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support graduate medical education at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and provide patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,602,507 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,602,507 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,602,507 |

**Public Libraries** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| Sales and Services | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 |

**276.1** *Increase funds for materials grants by five cents from $0.35 to $0.40 per capita.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $539,170 |

**276.100 Public Libraries** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $39,444,975 |
| **State General Funds** | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $39,444,975 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 | $44,856,279 |

**Public Service / Special Funding Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided by formula.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |
| State General Funds | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |

**277.1** *Increase funds for operations for the Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $53,733 | $53,733 |

**277.100 Public Service / Special Funding Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided*

*by formula.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,751,143 | $21,804,876 | $21,804,876 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,751,143 | $21,804,876 | $21,804,876 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,751,143 | $21,804,876 | $21,804,876 |

**Regents Central Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| State General Funds | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Sales and Services | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 |

**278.100 Regents Central Office** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 |

**Skidaway Institute of Oceanography** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic environments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| State General Funds | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| Sales and Services | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 |

**279.100 Skidaway Institute of Oceanography** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic environments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| **Sales and Services** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 |

**Teaching** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 |
| State General Funds | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| Sales and Services | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 |

**280.1** *Increase funds for formula earnings for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect a 1.18% increase in credit hour enrollment ($68,387,021) and a 0.5% increase in square footage ($1,746,489) not funded in the original FY2021 budget.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 |

**280.2** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) |

**280.3** *Reflect the continued use of Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund ($124,872,726) and the Higher Education Relief Fund - HBCUs/MSIs ($32,691,838) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**280.100 Teaching** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,119,758,391 | $2,119,758,391 | $2,119,758,391 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,119,758,391 | $2,119,758,391 | $2,119,758,391 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,262,943,624 | $7,262,943,624 | $7,262,943,624 |

**Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |
| State General Funds | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |

**281.1** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,417) | ($1,417) | ($1,417) |

**281.2** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $162,000 | $162,000 |

**281.100 Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,064,424 | $4,226,424 | $4,226,424 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,064,424 | $4,226,424 | $4,226,424 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,064,424 | $4,226,424 | $4,226,424 |

**Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| State General Funds | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 |

**282.100 Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| **State General Funds** | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 |

**Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| State General Funds | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 |

**283.98** *Change the name of the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust program to the Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust program. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**283.100 Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 |

**Payments to Georgia Military College Junior Military College** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and pooled expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| State General Funds | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |

**284.100 Payments to Georgia Military College Junior Military College** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and pooled expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |

**Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades three through twelve at Georgia Military College's Preparatory School.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |
| State General Funds | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |

**285.1** *Increase funds to offset austerity reduction for K-12 education.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $217,244 | $217,244 | $217,244 |

**285.100 Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades three through twelve at Georgia Military College's Preparatory School.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,725,132 | $3,725,132 | $3,725,132 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,725,132 | $3,725,132 | $3,725,132 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,725,132 | $3,725,132 | $3,725,132 |

**Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| State General Funds | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |

**286.100 Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |

***Section 42: Revenue, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 |
| State General Funds | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| Sales and Services | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $196,523,158 | $196,523,158 | $196,523,158 |
| **State General Funds** | $196,089,375 | $196,089,375 | $196,089,375 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $199,828,888 | $199,828,888 | $199,828,888 |

**Departmental Administration (DOR)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| State General Funds | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |

**287.100 Departmental Administration (DOR)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |

**Forestland Protection Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for forestland conservation use property and qualified timberland property to counties, municipalities, and school districts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |
| State General Funds | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |

**288.1** *Increase funds for Forestland Protection Act grant reimbursements to meet projected needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 |

**288.100 Forestland Protection Grants** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for forestland conservation use property and qualified timberland property to counties, municipalities, and school districts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |

**Industry Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 |
| State General Funds | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| Sales and Services | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 |

**289.1** *Increase funds for one advanced auditor position and associated expenses and five contractors to provide regulations of the distribution and sale of vaping products pursuant to SB375 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $86,175 | $86,175 | $86,175 |

**289.100 Industry Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages and tobacco*

*products.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,445,851 | $7,445,851 | $7,445,851 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,012,068 | $7,012,068 | $7,012,068 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **Sales and Services** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,301,885 | $8,301,885 | $8,301,885 |

**Local Government Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| State General Funds | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| Sales and Services | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 |

**290.1** *Increase funds to reflect FY2020 fireworks excise tax collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $81,584 | $81,584 | $81,584 |

**290.100 Local Government Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,839,715 | $3,839,715 | $3,839,715 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,839,715 | $3,839,715 | $3,839,715 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,259,715 | $4,259,715 | $4,259,715 |

**Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| State General Funds | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

**291.100 Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

**Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| State General Funds | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

**292.100 Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| **State General Funds** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

**Office of Special Investigations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving department efforts; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| State General Funds | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 |

**293.100 Office of Special Investigations** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving department efforts; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 |

**Tax Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| State General Funds | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| Sales and Services | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 |

**294.100 Tax Compliance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 |

**Tax Policy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| State General Funds | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |

**295.100 Tax Policy** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |

**Taxpayer Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are processed in accordance with the law; that all returns are reviewed and taxpayer information is recorded accurately; to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration functions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| State General Funds | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 |

**296.100 Taxpayer Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are processed in accordance with the law; that all returns are reviewed and taxpayer information is recorded accurately; to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *functions.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 |

***Section 43: Secretary of State***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 |
| State General Funds | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| Sales and Services | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,740,011 | $22,790,356 | $22,940,356 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,740,011 | $22,790,356 | $22,940,356 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,075,363 | $28,125,708 | $28,275,708 |

**Corporations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| Sales and Services | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |

**297.100 Corporations** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |

**Elections** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| State General Funds | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 |

**298.1** *Reflect the continued use of $10,826,464 in federal funds for election security grants as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**298.100 Elections** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 |

**Investigations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the laws and regulations related to professional licenses, elections, and securities; to investigate complaints; and to conduct inspections of applicants and existing license holders.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| State General Funds | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |

**299.100 Investigations** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the laws and regulations related to professional licenses, elections, and securities; to investigate complaints; and to conduct inspections of applicants and existing license holders.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |

**Office Administration (SOS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| State General Funds | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 |

**300.100 Office Administration (SOS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 |

**Professional Licensing Boards** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 |
| State General Funds | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| Sales and Services | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 |

**301.1** *Increase funds for the Georgia Board of Nursing to issue temporary permits to practice nursing for the sole purpose of administering the COVID-19 vaccine and monitoring the patient for any adverse reactions in the subsequent observation period pursuant to Executive Order 01.22.21.07.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 |

**301.100 Professional Licensing Boards** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,711,551 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,711,551 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 | $8,111,551 |

**Securities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| State General Funds | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 |

**302.100 Securities** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| **State General Funds** | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 |

**Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide access to low THC oil for registered Georgia patients by regulating the production, transport, and sale of low THC oil; to develop a network of low THC oil; and to study the use, efficacy, and best practices of low THC oil use in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| State General Funds | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |

**303.1** *Increase funds for IT contracts and a virtual call center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $50,345 | $50,345 |

**303.100 Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide access to low THC oil for registered Georgia patients by regulating the production, transport, and sale of low THC oil; to develop a network of low THC oil; and to study the use, efficacy, and best practices of low THC oil use in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $225,000 | $275,345 | $275,345 |
| **State General Funds** | $225,000 | $275,345 | $275,345 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $225,000 | $275,345 | $275,345 |

**Real Estate Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal Act.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| State General Funds | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 |

**304.100 Real Estate Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal Act.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 |

***Section 44: Student Finance Commission and Authority, Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 |
| State General Funds | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Sales and Services | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,833,464 | $1,040,605,694 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,973,664 | $126,166,164 | $117,938,394 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,861,627 | $1,050,633,857 |

**Commission Administration (GSFC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| Sales and Services | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 |

**305.100 Commission Administration (GSFC)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 |

**Dual Enrollment** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |
| State General Funds | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |

**306.1** *Reduce funds for updated projections.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($8,035,270) |

**306.100 Dual Enrollment** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $81,801,706 |
| **State General Funds** | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $81,801,706 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $81,801,706 |

**Engineer Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus) and retain those students as engineers in the State.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |
| State General Funds | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |

**307.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds to meet the projected need)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $192,500 | $0 |

**307.100 Engineer Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus) and retain those students as engineers in the State.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 |
| **State General Funds** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 |

**Georgia Military College Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| State General Funds | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |

**308.100 Georgia Military College Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |

**HERO Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| State General Funds | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

**309.100 HERO Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

**HOPE GED** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this program is to encourage Georgia's General Educational Development (GED) recipients to pursue education beyond the high school level at an eligible postsecondary institution located in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |

**310.100 HOPE GED** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this program is to encourage Georgia's General Educational Development (GED) recipients to pursue education beyond the high school level at an eligible postsecondary institution located in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |

**HOPE Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |

**311.100 HOPE Grant** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |

**HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |

**312.100 HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |

**HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |

**313.100 HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |

**Low Interest Loans** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college or technical college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 |

**314.100 Low Interest Loans** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college or technical college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 |

**North Georgia Military Scholarship Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend the University of North Georgia, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| State General Funds | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

| **315.100 North Georgia Military Scholarship Grants** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend the University of North Georgia, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

| **North Georgia ROTC Grants** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend the University of North Georgia and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| State General Funds | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |

| **316.100 North Georgia ROTC Grants** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend the University of North Georgia and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |

| **Public Safety Memorial Grant** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public or private postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| State General Funds | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |

| **317.100 Public Safety Memorial Grant** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public* | | | |

*or private postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |

**REACH Georgia Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| State General Funds | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**318.100 REACH Georgia Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**Service Cancelable Loans** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide service cancelable loans as authorized in statute including programs for large animal veterinarians and Georgia National Guard members.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| State General Funds | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |

**319.100 Service Cancelable Loans** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide service cancelable loans as authorized in statute including programs for large animal veterinarians and Georgia National Guard members.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |

**Tuition Equalization Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| State General Funds | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 |

**320.100 Tuition Equalization Grants** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 |

**Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| State General Funds | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |

**321.1** *Reflect $115,000 in other funds for operations for the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Coordinator position. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**321.100 Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| **State General Funds** | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |

***Section 45: Teachers Retirement System***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| State General Funds | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| State Funds Transfers | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| Retirement Payments | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,707,180 | $43,707,180 | $43,707,180 |

**Local/Floor COLA** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |

**322.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the declining population of teachers who qualify for benefits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($40,721) | ($40,721) | ($40,721) |

**322.100 Local/Floor COLA** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |

**System Administration (TRS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| State Funds Transfers | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| Retirement Payments | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

**323.100 System Administration (TRS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

**It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Teachers Retirement System shall not exceed 19.06% for State Fiscal Year 2021.**

***Section 46: Technical College System of Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 |
| State General Funds | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| Sales and Services | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $337,238,241 | $337,238,241 | $337,238,241 |
| **State General Funds** | $337,238,241 | $337,238,241 | $337,238,241 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| **Sales and Services** | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $944,443,349 | $944,443,349 | $944,443,349 |

**Adult Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of GED preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| State General Funds | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| Sales and Services | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| State Funds Transfers | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 |

**324.100 Adult Education** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of GED preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 |

**Departmental Administration (TCSG)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| State General Funds | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| Sales and Services | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 |

**325.100 Departmental Administration (TCSG)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 |

**Economic Development and Customized Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide customized services for existing businesses in the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| State General Funds | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| Sales and Services | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 |

**326.100 Economic Development and Customized Services** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide customized services for existing businesses in the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **Sales and Services** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 |

**Governor's Office of Workforce Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| Sales and Services | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 |

**327.1** *Reflect the continued use of $11,882,040 in federal funds for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act Dislocated Workers Program to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**327.100 Governor's Office of Workforce Development** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 |

**Quick Start** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| State General Funds | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 |

**328.100 Quick Start** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 |

**Technical Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 |
| State General Funds | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| Sales and Services | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 |

**329.1** *Increase funds for formula earnings for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect a 1.5% increase in credit hour enrollment ($3,706,709) and a 0.3% decrease in square footage (($193,018)) not funded in the original FY2021 budget.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 |

**329.2** *Reflect the continued use of $33,858,680 in federal funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund and $3,484,030 for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund-HBCUs/MSIs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | | $0 |

**329.100 Technical Education** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $301,349,764 | $301,349,764 | $301,349,764 |
| **State General Funds** | $301,349,764 | $301,349,764 | $301,349,764 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| **Sales and Services** | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $729,629,626 | $729,629,626 | $729,629,626 |

***Section 47: Transportation, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| Sales and Services | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,930,005,115 | $1,930,005,115 | $1,930,208,576 |
| **State General Funds** | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 | $97,559,045 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $1,832,649,531 | $1,832,649,531 | $1,832,649,531 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| **Sales and Services** | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,635,756,726 | $3,635,756,726 | $3,635,960,187 |

**Capital Construction Projects** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| Sales and Services | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 |

**330.1** *Increase funds for additional construction projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $52,666,681 | $52,666,681 | $144,907,557 |

**330.100 Capital Construction Projects** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $792,611,361 | $792,611,361 | $884,852,237 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $792,611,361 | $792,611,361 | $884,852,237 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| **Sales and Services** | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,710,364,490 | $1,710,364,490 | $1,802,605,366 |

**Capital Maintenance Projects** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| Sales and Services | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 |

**331.1** *Increase funds for additional resurfacing. (S:Reduce funds and recognize $92,240,876 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $95,600,000 | $77,421,136 | ($14,819,740) |

**331.100 Capital Maintenance Projects** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $177,547,536 | $159,368,672 | $67,127,796 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $177,547,536 | $159,368,672 | $67,127,796 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **Sales and Services** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $459,498,110 | $441,319,246 | $349,078,370 |

**Construction Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| Sales and Services | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 |

**332.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $5,500,000 | $5,500,000 |

**332.100 Construction Administration** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $99,502,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $99,502,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $154,244,329 | $159,744,329 | $159,744,329 |

**Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 |

**333.100 Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 |

**Departmental Administration (DOT)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| Sales and Services | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 |

**334.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |

**334.100 Departmental Administration (DOT)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $68,793,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $68,793,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **Sales and Services** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $80,031,918 | $83,531,918 | $83,531,918 |

**Intermodal** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 |
| State General Funds | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| Sales and Services | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 |

**335.1** *Reflect the continued use of $410,817,650 in federal funds for the Airport Aid program as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**335.2** *Increase funds for Airport Aid.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $203,461 |

**335.100 Intermodal** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $22,184,583 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $22,184,583 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 | $115,828,184 |

**Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing projects through the state-funded Construction-Local Road Assistance program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |

**336.1** *Increase funds for local maintenance and improvement grants to reflect 10% of projected motor fuel revenues.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $15,911,905 | $15,911,905 | $15,911,905 |

**336.100 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing projects through the state-funded Construction-Local Road Assistance program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $190,295,841 | $190,295,841 | $190,295,841 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $190,295,841 | $190,295,841 | $190,295,841 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $190,295,841 | $190,295,841 | $190,295,841 |

**Local Road Assistance Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 |

**337.100 Local Road Assistance Administration** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 |

**Planning** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and financing of transportation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 |

**338.100 Planning** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and*

*financing of transportation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 |

**Routine Maintenance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| Sales and Services | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 |

**339.1** *Increase funds for maintenance service agreements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 |

**339.100 Routine Maintenance** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 |

**Traffic Management and Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| Sales and Services | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 |

**340.100 Traffic Management and Control** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **Sales and Services** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 |

**Payments to the State Road and Tollway Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments and other finance instruments and for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 |
| State General Funds | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 |

**341.1** *Increase funds to meet Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) bond debt requirements.*

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|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $9,178,864 | $9,178,864 |

**341.100 Payments to the State Road and Tollway Authority** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments and other finance instruments and for operations.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $88,822,852 | $98,001,716 | $98,001,716 |
| **State General Funds** | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $13,448,390 | $22,627,254 | $22,627,254 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $223,822,852 | $233,001,716 | $233,001,716 |

**It is the intent of this General Assembly that the following provisions apply:**

**a.) In order to meet the requirements for projects on the Interstate System, the Office of Planning and Budget is hereby authorized and directed to give advanced budgetary authorization for letting and execution of Interstate Highway Contracts**

**not to exceed the amount of Motor Fuel Tax Revenues actually paid into the Office of the State Treasurer, attached agency of the Department of Administrative Services.**
**b.) Programs financed by Motor Fuel Tax Funds may be adjusted for additional appropriation or balances brought forward from previous years with prior approval by the Office of Planning and Budget.**
**c.) The Fiscal Officers of the State are hereby directed as of July 1st of each fiscal year to determine the collection of Motor Fuel Tax in the immediately preceding year less refunds, rebates and collection costs and enter this amount as being the appropriation payable in lieu of the Motor Fuel Tax Funds appropriated in this Bill, in the event such collections, less refunds, rebates and collection costs, exceed such Motor Fuel Tax Appropriation.**
**d.) Functions financed with General Fund appropriations shall be accounted for separately and shall be in addition to appropriations of Motor Fuel Tax revenues required under Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI, Subsection (b) of the State Constitution.**
**e.) Bus rental income may be retained to operate, maintain and upgrade department-owned buses.**

***Section 48: Veterans Service, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 |
| State General Funds | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Sales and Services | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,603,522 | $22,603,522 | $22,603,522 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,603,522 | $22,603,522 | $22,603,522 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $50,029,259 | $50,029,259 | $50,029,259 |

**Departmental Administration (DVS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| State General Funds | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |

**342.100 Departmental Administration (DVS)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |

**Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| State General Funds | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 |

**343.100 Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| **State General Funds** | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 |

**Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 |
| State General Funds | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Sales and Services | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 |

**344.1** *Reduce funds for the Sub Acute Therapy Unit to reflect a delayed implementation date.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($450,000) | ($450,000) | ($450,000) |

**344.100 Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,724,578 | $12,724,578 | $12,724,578 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,724,578 | $12,724,578 | $12,724,578 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,068,493 | $39,068,493 | $39,068,493 |

**Veterans Benefits** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| State General Funds | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 |

**345.100 Veterans Benefits** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 |

***Section 49: Workers' Compensation, State Board of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| State General Funds | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| Sales and Services | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **Sales and Services** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 |

**Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| State General Funds | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| Sales and Services | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 |

**346.100 Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 |

**Board Administration (SBWC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| Sales and Services | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 |

**347.100 Board Administration (SBWC)** **Appropriation (HB 80)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **Sales and Services** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 |

***Section 50: State of Georgia General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 |
| State General Funds | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,330,293,231 | $1,330,293,231 | $1,330,765,867 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,259,984,350 | $1,259,984,350 | $1,260,456,986 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $70,308,881 | $70,308,881 | $70,308,881 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,348,267,790 | $1,348,267,790 | $1,348,740,426 |

| General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - Issued | | Continuation Budget | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 |
| State General Funds | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 |

**348.1** *Replace funds for debt service on road and bridge bonds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $34,391,397 | $34,391,397 | $34,391,397 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($34,391,397) | ($34,391,397) | ($34,391,397) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**348.2** *Reduce funds for debt service for road and bridge projects to reflect savings associated with favorable rates received in recent bond sales.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($5,818,135) | ($5,818,135) | ($5,818,135) |

**348.3** *Redirect $4,800,000 in 5-year issued bonds from FY2017 for the implementation of a new Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB751, Bond #66) to be used for the implementation of a new vaccination management system. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**348.4** *Redirect $6,300,000 in 5-year issued bonds from FY2016 for the implementation of a new Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB76, Bond #355.341) to be used for the implementation of a new vaccination management system. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**348.5** *Increase funds for debt service.*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $472,636 |

| **348.100 General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - Issued** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,210,216,671 | $1,210,216,671 | $1,210,689,307 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,139,907,790 | $1,139,907,790 | $1,140,380,426 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $70,308,881 | $70,308,881 | $70,308,881 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,228,191,230 | $1,228,191,230 | $1,228,663,866 |

| **General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - New** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| State General Funds | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |

| **349.100 General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - New** | | | **Appropriation (HB 80)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| **State General Funds** | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |

**[Bond # 1] From State General Funds, $13,766,620 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $160,825,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 2] From State General Funds, $1,528,816 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $17,860,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 3] From State General Funds, $6,296,736 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $73,560,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 4] From State General Funds, $7,129,624 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $83,290,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 5] From State General Funds, $1,811,862 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,830,000 in principal amount of General**

**Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 6] From State General Funds, $256,854 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,110,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 7] From State General Funds, $2,656,000 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $20,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.**
**[Bond # 8] From State General Funds, $166,000 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,250,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.**
**[Bond # 9] From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 10] From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 11] From State General Funds, $5,452,720 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $63,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 12] From State General Funds, $694,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of**

**General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 13] From State General Funds, $439,660 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 14] From State General Funds, $532,220 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 15] From State General Funds, $277,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 16] From State General Funds, $485,940 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 17] From State General Funds, $1,411,540 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 18] From State General Funds, $1,295,840 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,600,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 19] From State General Funds, $3,886,240 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension,**

**enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $42,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 20] From State General Funds, $1,669,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $19,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 21] From State General Funds, $509,080 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 22] From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 23] From State General Funds, $214,000 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Military College by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 24] From State General Funds, $185,120 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 25] From State General Funds, $300,820 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,300,000 in principal amount of**

**General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 26] From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 27] From State General Funds, $254,540 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 28] From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 29] From State General Funds, $419,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 30] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 31] From State General Funds, $410,880 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 32] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension,**

**enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 33] From State General Funds, $410,880 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 34] From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 35] From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 36] From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 37] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 38] From State General Funds, $95,016 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,110,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 39] From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public**

**libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 40] From State General Funds, $118,556 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,385,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 41] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 42] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 43] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 44] From State General Funds, $80,990 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $350,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 45] From State General Funds, $30,082 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $130,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 46] From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and**

**personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 47] From State General Funds, $385,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 48] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 49] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 50] From State General Funds, $86,456 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,010,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 51] From State General Funds, $1,874,112 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $20,640,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 52] From State General Funds, $2,314,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 53] From State General Funds, $2,082,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,000,000 in principal amount of General**

**Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 54] From State General Funds, $1,152,372 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,980,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 55] From State General Funds, $3,159,840 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $34,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 56] From State General Funds, $154,360 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 57] From State General Funds, $204,300 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,250,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 58] From State General Funds, $817,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 59] From State General Funds, $610,176 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,720,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 60] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development,**

**extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 61] From State General Funds, $694,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 62] From State General Funds, $90,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 63] From State General Funds, $85,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Veterans Service by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 64] From State General Funds, $292,721 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Community Supervision by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,265,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 65] From State General Funds, $57,850 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Community Supervision by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $250,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 66] From State General Funds, $3,471,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $15,000,000 in principal amount of General**

**Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 67] From State General Funds, $364,455 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,575,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 68] From State General Funds, $1,284,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $15,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 69] From State General Funds, $562,302 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,430,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 70] From State General Funds, $200,161 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $865,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 71] From State General Funds, $155,792 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,820,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 72] From State General Funds, $274,209 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,185,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 73] From State General Funds, $200,161 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or**

**improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $865,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 74] From State General Funds, $113,848 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,330,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 75] From State General Funds, $369,083 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,595,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 76] From State General Funds, $53,072 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $620,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 77] From State General Funds, $1,181,297 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,105,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 78] From State General Funds, $85,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 79] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 80] From State General Funds, $513,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 81] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 82] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 83] From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 84] From State General Funds, $212,888 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $920,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 85] From State General Funds, $296,604 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,465,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 86] From State General Funds, $909,402 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal,**

**necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,930,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 87] From State General Funds, $251,069 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,085,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 88] From State General Funds, $115,700 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 89] From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 90] From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 91] From State General Funds, $592,384 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,560,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 92] From State General Funds, $3,031,340 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $13,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 93] From State General Funds, $163,137 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities**

**for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $705,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 94] From State General Funds, $74,472 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Safety Training Center by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $870,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 95] From State General Funds, $19,260 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Safety Training Center by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $225,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 96] From State General Funds, $60,776 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Public Safety for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Safety Training Center by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $710,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 97] From State General Funds, $128,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 98] From State General Funds, $175,480 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,050,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 99] From State General Funds, $94,874 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities**

**for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $410,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 100] From State General Funds, $291,040 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 101] From State General Funds, $727,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $8,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 102] From State General Funds, $2,270,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $25,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 103] From State General Funds, $694,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 104] From State General Funds, $116,857 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $505,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 105] From State General Funds, $64,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal,**

**necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 106] From State General Funds, $485,940 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

**[Bond # 107] From State General Funds, $220,190 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,425,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 108] From State General Funds, $6,356,000 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Savannah-Georgia Convention Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $70,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 109] From State General Funds, $1,089,600 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 110] From State General Funds, $436,560 is specifically appropriated for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority for the purpose of financing loans to counties, municipal corporations, political subdivisions, local authorities, and other local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems or for regional or multijurisdictional solid waste recycling or solid waste facilities or systems, through the issuance of not more than $5,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

**[Bond # 111] From State General Funds, $208,260 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General**

**Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**
**[Bond # 112] From State General Funds, $1,452,204 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $16,965,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 113] From State General Funds, $1,823,264 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $20,080,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 114] From State General Funds, $3,375,036 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $37,170,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**
**[Bond # 115] From State General Funds, $9,844,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $115,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

***Section 51: General Obligation Bonds Repealed, Revised, or Reinstated***
**Reserved.**

***Section 52: Salary Adjustments***
**Reserved.**

***Section 53: Refunds***
**In addition to all other appropriations, there is hereby appropriated, as needed, a specific sum of money equal to each refund authorized by law, which is required to make refunds of taxes and other monies collected in error, farmer gasoline tax refunds, and any other refunds specifically authorized by law.**

***Section 54: Leases***

**In accordance with the requirements of Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I(a) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, as amended, there is hereby appropriated payable to each department, agency, or institution of the State sums sufficient to satisfy the payments required to be made in each year under existing lease contracts between any department, agency, or institution of the State and any authority created and activated at the time of the effective date of the aforesaid constitutional provision, as amended, or appropriated for the State Fiscal Year addressed within this Act. If for any reason any of the sums herein provided under any other provision of this Act are insufficient to make the required payments in full, then there shall be taken from other funds appropriated to the department, agency, or institution involved an amount sufficient to satisfy such deficiency in full, and the lease payment shall constitute a first charge on all such appropriations.**

***Section 55: Budgetary Control and Interpretation***

**The appropriations in this Act consist of the amount stated in the right-most column, for each line at the lowest level of detail for the fund source categories, "Total State Funds" and "Total Federal Funds," under a caption beginning with a program or special project number that has a 100 or a higher number after the decimal and a program or special project name. In each case, such appropriation is associated with the immediately preceding program or special project name, number, and statement of program or special project purpose. The program or special project purpose is stated immediately below the program or special project name. The most specific level of detail for authorizations for general obligation debt in Section 50 shall be the authorizing paragraphs.**

**Similarly, text in a group of lines that has a number less than 100 after the decimal (01 through 99) is not part of a statement of purpose but constitutes information as to how the appropriation was derived. Amounts in the columns other than the right-most column are for informational purposes only. The summary and lowest level of detail for the fund source categories "Total Agency Funds" and "Total IntraState Governmental Transfers," are for informational purposes only. The blocks of text and numerals immediately following the section header and beginning with the phrases, "Section Total - Continuation" and "Section Totals - Final" are for informational purposes only. Sections 51, 52, 53, and 54 contain, constitute, or amend appropriations.**

***Section 56: Flex***

**Notwithstanding any other statement of purpose, the purpose of each appropriation of federal funds or other funds shall be the stated purpose or any other lawful purpose consistent with the fund source and the general law powers of the budget unit.**

**In the preceding sentence, "Federal Funds" means any federal funding source, whether specifically identified or not specifically identified; "Other Funds" means all other fund sources except State Funds or Federal Funds, including without limitation Intra-**

**State Government Transfers. This paragraph shall not permit an agency to include within its flex the appropriations for an agency attached to it for administrative purposes.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid," "Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled," and "PeachCare" programs of the Department of Community Health, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "Capital Construction Projects," "Capital Maintenance Projects," and "Local Road Assistance Administration" programs of the Department of Transportation, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "HOPE Grant," "HOPE Scholarships – Private Schools," and "HOPE Scholarships – Public Schools" programs of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

***Part II: Effective Date***
**This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.**

***Part III: Repeal Conflicting Laws***
**All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.**

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 80, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Tillery of the 19th moved that HB 80 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 80 was immediately transmitted.

SB 4. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Robertson of the 29th, Rhett of the 33rd, Burke of the 11th and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drug abuse treatment and education programs, so as to prohibit patient brokering; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for enforcement; to provide for venue; to provide for

reasonable expenses; to provide for cumulative actions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to provide that excessive, fraudulent, or high-tech drug testing of certain individuals is considered a fraudulent insurance act; to provide for investigation by the Commissioner of Insurance; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 4, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

SR 82. By Senators Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Butler of the 55th and Parent of the 42nd:

A RESOLUTION

Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

PART I

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that, except as otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly, meetings of the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly during the period of Tuesday, February 9, 2021, through Monday, March 1, 2021, shall be held in accordance with the following schedule:

Tuesday, February 9 ..... convene for legislative day 14
Wednesday, February 10 ..... convene for legislative day 15
Thursday, February 11..... convene for legislative day 16

Tuesday, February 16 ..... convene for legislative day 17
Wednesday, February 17 ..... convene for legislative day 18
Thursday, February 18..... convene for legislative day 19

Monday, February 22 ..... convene for legislative day 20
Tuesday, February 23 ..... convene for legislative day 21
Wednesday, February 24..... convene for legislative day 22
Thursday, February 25..... convene for legislative day 23
Friday, February 26 ..... convene for legislative day 24

Monday, March 1 ..... convene for legislative day 25

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House of Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours for convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the Senate. Each house, upon its own adjournment for a legislative day, shall remain in a period of adjournment until it convenes for the next legislative day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on and after the latest legislative day specified above, the schedule for meetings of the 2021 regular session may be as provided by another resolution of the General Assembly adopted subsequent to the adoption of this resolution.

PART II

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, and the Governor has by proclamation declared an emergency temporary

location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with Code Section 38-3-52, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at such temporary location or locations in accordance with Code Sections 38-3-52 and 38-3-53 on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, but the Governor has not by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with the above, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall provide for prompt notice of the same to all members of the House of Representatives and all members of the Senate, respectively, by such means as such officers deem practical and efficient; and each house shall be and remain in adjournment until convening for the next legislative day on the date certain jointly specified by such officers. Following such reconvening, the General Assembly may provide by joint resolution for a new schedule for meetings and adjournments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as to any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the adoption of this resolution by the General Assembly shall constitute the consent of both the House of Representatives and the Senate for purposes of Article III, Section IV, Paragraph I(b) of the Constitution.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 52, nays 0, and the resolution was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that SR 82 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and SR 82 was immediately transmitted.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Frank McDonald, M.D.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 10, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, February 10, 2021
Fifteenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/2/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please remove my name as a cosponsor of SB 46.

/s/ Dixon of the 45th
Cc: Burke of the 11th

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February 8, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on

Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Steve Gooch** to serve as an **Ex-Officio for the Senate Education and Youth Committee.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

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February 9, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
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Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Jeff Mullis** to serve as an **Ex-Officio for the Senate Reapportionment and Redistricting Committee.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

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February 9, 2021

Mr. David Cook
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Dear Mr. Cook:

Pursuant to **O.C.G.A. § 50-25-15**, I hereby appoint the following members to serve on the **Georgia Technology Authority Overview Committee.** These appointments are effective immediately and shall last until 1/1/2023 or an appropriate replacement is appointed.

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| Senator Greg Dolezal | Senator John Albers | Senator Sonya Halpern |
| 305-B CLOB | 421-C State Capitol | 323-B CLOB |
| Atlanta, GA 30334 | Atlanta, GA 30334 | Atlanta, GA 30334 |

Please call on my office if you have questions regarding this appointment. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 105. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Williams of the 168th, Tarvin of the 2nd, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pay, pensions, and allowances of state military personnel, so as to authorize pay for certain active duty by the organized militia; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide a framework for regulating the offering or issuance of travel insurance in this state; to revise and provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 211. By Representative Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Arabi; to provide for incorporation, corporate boundaries, powers, and construction; to provide for pending matters; to provide for construction; to provide for severability; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide for a specific repealer; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 225. By Representative Prince of the 127th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Wrens; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 242. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th and Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5985), as amended, so as to remove a requirement for city manager; to lengthen the contract term allowed for city manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 251. By Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Burnough of the 77th, Neal of the 74th, Bazemore of the 63rd and Schofield of the 60th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the composition and manner of selection of the Board of Education of Clayton County, approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4431), as amended, so as to provide for the manner of changing the compensation for members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 265. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Williamson of the 115th and Blackmon of the 146th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to revise the terms "Internal Revenue Code" and "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" and thereby incorporate certain provisions of the federal law into Georgia law; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolution of the Senate:

SR 82. By Senators Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Butler of the 55th and Parent of the 42nd:

A RESOLUTION relative to meetings and adjournments of the General

Assembly; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 112. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Burke of the 11th, Thompson of the 14th, Walker III of the 20th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to require annual notification to policy owners and requested beneficiaries of the existence of such policies; to require insurers to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance policy locator on a quarterly basis; to provide for reporting; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 113. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Burke of the 11th, Thompson of the 14th, Walker III of the 20th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to provide for life insurers' requirement to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance policy locator service; to provide for reporting; to provide for the Commissioner to prescribe reporting; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 114. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Burke of the 11th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to professions and businesses, so as to revise the grounds for refusing to grant or revoking a license; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 115. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding drivers' licenses, so as to provide for an instructional course or presentation educating drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; to provide for duties by the Department of Driver Services and the Department of Public Safety; to provide for instructional content; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 116. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to children and youth services, so as to provide for registration of maternity supportive housing residences to provide housing for pregnant women; to define a term; to provide for requirements; to prohibit additional rules and regulations; to prohibit constraints imposed by local governments; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to provide a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 117. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 118. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Burke of the 11th, Tillery of the 19th, Goodman of the 8th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 32-6-28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permits for vehicles and loads of excess weight and dimensions, so as to provide for issuance of an annual forest product permit for certain vehicles and loads exceeding weight and dimension maximums; to provide for fees for such permit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SB 119. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th, Burke of the 11th, Mullis of the 53rd, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-6-90 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permit required for burning woods, lands, marshes, or other flammable vegetation, and exceptions, so as to except certain yard waste from permitting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 120. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Jones II of the 22nd, Tillery of the 19th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to solicitors-general of state courts, so as to provide for the honorary office of solicitor-general emeritus; to provide for qualifications; to provide for certificate; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 121. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 10 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to perjury and related offenses, so as to expand the offense of perjury to include false statements made in police reports by law enforcement officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 122. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Halpern of the 39th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 15 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to miscellaneous provisions regarding the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to provide for scheduled recess periods of 30 minutes each school day for students in kindergarten through grade eight; to provide that recess periods shall be considered instructional time to avoid lengthening the school day; to provide that recess periods shall not be withheld from students for disciplinary purposes; to provide for policies of local boards; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 123. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Merritt of the 9th, Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to require the State Board of Education to establish facility requirements for temporary classrooms; to provide for plans for converting temporary classroom space to permanent classroom space within five years; to provide for data collection; to provide for required plans of actions; to address certain deficiencies; to provide for a short title; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 124. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to arrest by law enforcement officers generally, so as to provide for the duty to intervene; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 125. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 10th, Davenport of the 44th, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to arrest by law enforcement officers generally, so as to prohibit officers from using kinetic impact projectiles in the use of force; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 126. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 21 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state tort claims, so as to remove certain immunities from the actions of certain law enforcement officers; to provide that officers alleged to have committed misconduct or a violation of law while acting within the scope of official duties shall be subject to lawsuit or liability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 127. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-8-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the powers and duties of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, so as establish basic and in-service training courses on post-traumatic stress disorder; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 128. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Butler of the 55th, Halpern of the 39th, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to create the Georgia Law Enforcement Citizen Review Council; to provide for its membership, officers, committees, staff, funding, duties, and powers; to provide for administrative support; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 129. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to require that certain peace officers be equipped with audio and video recording devices for recording all activities while on duty; to provide for definitions; to provide for a public disclosure exception; to provide for penalties; to provide for grant funding; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the inspection of public records, so as to provide for the release under certain circumstances of such audio and video recordings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 130. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 41st, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to prohibit the possession of certain property from the United States Department of Defense by certain local law enforcement agencies; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 131. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Merritt of the 9th, Halpern of the 39th, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for prosecuting attorneys, so as to provide for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney when the accused is a law enforcement officer charged with a felony or an act of family violence; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 132. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st, Rahman of the 5th, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to arrest by law enforcement officers generally, so as to prohibit officers from use of force maneuvers that restrict blood or oxygen flow to the brain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 133. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Orrock of the 36th, Jordan of the 6th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to searches with warrants, so as to prohibit the use of no-knock search warrants in certain circumstances; to provide for a definition; to revise provisions regarding the issuance of search warrants and the use of force in executing a search warrant; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 134. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st, Merritt of the 9th, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to identification and regulation of motor vehicles and traffic, so as to require policies that prohibit law enforcement officers from using race or ethnicity in determining whether to stop a motor vehicle; to require annual training of law enforcement officers on such policies; to require officers to document the race, ethnicity, and gender of drivers and passengers under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 135. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th, Parent of the 42nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-12-71, Title 16, and Code Section 17-7-52 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duties of grand jury, crimes and offenses, and procedure for indictment or special presentment of peace officer for crime in performance of duties, notification, and rights of officer, respectively, so as to repeal the provision regarding no duty to retreat prior to the use of force; to correct cross-references; to repeal the defense

of self or others as an absolute defense; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 136. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Au of the 48th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jordan of the 6th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to arrest by private persons, so as to repeal the article in its entirety; to amend Titles 17, 35, and 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, law enforcement officers and agencies, and professions and businesses, respectively, so as to make conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 137. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Jordan of the 6th, Merritt of the 9th, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, so as to provide that no private corporation shall operate a detention facility; to provide for definitions; to provide for federal facilities; to provide for existing contractual obligations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SB 138. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Sims of the 12th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to provide a standard by which state, county, and local law enforcement agencies engage in vehicular pursuits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 139. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 16 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Uniform Civil Forfeiture Procedure Act, so as to authorize the seizure of property subject to civil forfeiture only upon a criminal conviction; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 140. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Harbison of the 15th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, so as to provide for placement of a monument in honor of the Honorable Zell Bryan Miller upon the capitol grounds of the state capitol building; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State Institutions and Property.

SB 141. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, McNeill of the 3rd, Thompson of the 14th, Robertson of the 29th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for immediate counting and tabulation of ballots after the close of the polls until such counting and tabulation is completed; to provide notice of number of ballots cast; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 142. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jones II of the 22nd, Albers of the 56th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to lottery for education, so as to provide for the lottery game of sports wagering in this state; to provide for and revise certain definitions; to provide for oversight of such lottery game by the Georgia Lottery Corporation and its board of directors; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt wagers placed as part of the lottery game of sports wagering; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SR 83. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Burke of the 11th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide that members of the House of Representatives shall serve four-year terms of office; to provide that members of the Senate shall serve six-year terms of office; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SR 84. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Kennedy of the 18th, Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 86. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Probate Judge Jon Payne and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 88. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Sheriff Philip Street and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pay, pensions, and allowances of state military personnel, so as to authorize pay for certain active

duty by the organized militia; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

HB 112. By Representatives Kelley of the 16th, Cooper of the 43rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Newton of the 123rd, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act relating to torts to provide certain immunities from liability claims regarding COVID-19, approved August 5, 2020, (Ga L. 2020, p. 798), so as to extend applicability for one year; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 162. By Representative Belton of the 112th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Morgan County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved March 29, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 3606), so as to revise provisions for the appointment, terms, and filling of vacancies of board members; to provide for term limits and removal of board members; to revise duties of the board and elections supervisor regarding clerical assistance and poll works; to remove expired and outdated provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 174. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Smith of the 18th, Crowe of the 110th, Leverett of the 33rd and others:

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

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

HB 205. By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Lumsden of the 12th, Hatchett of the 150th, Taylor of the 173rd, Rhodes of the 120th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide a framework for regulating the offering or issuance of travel insurance in this state; to revise and provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 211. By Representative Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Arabi; to provide for incorporation, corporate boundaries, powers, and construction; to provide for pending matters; to provide for construction; to provide for severability; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide for a specific repealer; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 225. By Representative Prince of the 127th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Wrens; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 242. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th and Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5985), as amended, so as to remove a requirement for city manager; to lengthen the contract term allowed for city manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 251. By Representatives Glanton of the 75th, Burnough of the 77th, Neal of the 74th, Bazemore of the 63rd and Schofield of the 60th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the composition and manner of selection of the Board of Education of Clayton County, approved

April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4431), as amended, so as to provide for the manner of changing the compensation for members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 265. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Williamson of the 115th and Blackmon of the 146th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to revise the terms "Internal Revenue Code" and "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" and thereby incorporate certain provisions of the federal law into Georgia law; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 46 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Higher Education has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 81 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tippins of the 37th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Insurance and Labor has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 43 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burke of the 11th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 45 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 87 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 27 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 32 SB 33 SB 34 SB 49 SB 52 SB 53

SB 86

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tillery of the 19th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tillery was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Hatchett of the 50th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hatchett was excused.

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that Senator Ginn of the 47th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Ginn was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Miller |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Parent |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Payne |
| Au | Hickman | Rahman |
| Beach | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Brass | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burke | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Burns | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |
| Halpern | Merritt | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Dolezal (Excused) | Ginn (Excused) | Hatchett (Excused) |
| James (Excused) | Lucas (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Tillery (Excused) | Butler | Orrock |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Albers of the 56th introduced the chaplain of the day, Dr. Kevin Head of Roswell, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Parent of the 42nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Andrea Juliao, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 85. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Pierce County Bears football team for winning the 2020 GHSA Class AAA State Football Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 87. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Jackson of the 2nd, Merritt of the 9th, Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Islamic Speakers Bureau of Atlanta; and for other purposes.

SR 89. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Park Place Restaurant; and for other purposes.

SR 90. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Colleen Cousineau upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 91. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th, Lucas of the 26th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Robert "Wayne" Lowe; and for other purposes.

SR 92. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Hank Aaron; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021
FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 44 Special License Plates; honoring Support Our Troops, Inc.; establish (PUB SAF-14th)

SB 60 Georgia State Indemnification Fund; shall be paid in instances of a heart attack, stroke; public safety officer; revise (PUB SAF-14th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 44. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Mullis of the 53rd, McNeill of the 3rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

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

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 44, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 60. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th, Payne of the 54th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 5 of Chapter 9 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as revise when indemnification shall be paid in instances of a heart attack, stroke, or vascular rupture suffered by a public safety officer resulting in certain disabilities or death; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Harrell of the 40th asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

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| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 60, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 11, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, February 11, 2021
Sixteenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

February 11, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, I hereby appoint **Senator Kay Kirkpatrick** to serve as an **Ex-Officio** for the Senate Insurance and Labor Committee: Health and Workman's Comp Subcommittee on **February 11, 2021.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 97. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Fleming of the 121st, Scoggins of the 14th, Oliver of the 82nd, Wilson of the 80th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to jurisdiction, power, and duties, so as to require and to provide for an oath for certain clerks of the probate court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 106. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Williams of the 168th, Tarvin of the 2nd, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 45-9-81 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as to replace the term "National Guard" with the term "organized militia" in the definition of law enforcement officer; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 134. By Representatives Anderson of the 10th, Jones of the 47th, Jones of the 25th, Dubnik of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 14 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to open and public meetings, so as to exclude meetings relating to cybersecurity contracting and planning from open meeting requirements; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, so as to provide an exemption for certain documents relating to cybersecurity plans and systems; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 153. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 143. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen, so as to conform a reference within a statutory form regarding waiver of lien and labor or material bond rights; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 144. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, so as to limit the ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 145. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to modify the petition requirements for initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to provide an additional method of initiating such a referendum election; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 146. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to carrying and possession of firearms, so as to establish the offense of making a firearm accessible to a child; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions and affirmative defenses; to provide for criminal penalties; to require a notice by certain firearm dealers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 147. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that counties and municipalities, at their option, may conduct advance voting on the Saturday and Sunday immediately prior to the day of a primary, election, or runoff; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 148. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, so as to create the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians and the Special Joint Committee on Georgia Revenue Structure; to state legislative findings and intent; to make provisions relative to legislative procedure for consideration of legislation recommended by the council and the special joint committee; to provide for related matters; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 149. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Jordan of the 6th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide for same day registration and voting; to provide for procedures and notices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other

purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 150. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Jordan of the 6th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for automatic voter registration in certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 151. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Dugan of the 30th, Jones II of the 22nd, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to prevent organized retail crime; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the O.C.G.A., relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale and purchase of stored value cards; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale of goods by third-party sellers on online marketplaces; to provide for penalties for failure to comply; to provide for confidentiality; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to theft, so as to define certain terms relating to retail property fencing, shoplifting, and refund fraud; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 152. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state and other flags, so as to add language to the pledge of allegiance to the state flag; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 153. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th and Tillery of the 19th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia

Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for GOAL academies; to provide for definitions; to provide for partnerships to establish GOAL academies as charter schools; to provide for the transition of system-collaborative state charter schools to GOAL academies; to provide for funding and for the calculation thereof; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SR 96. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. Charles R. Lusk and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 97. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Fleming of the 121st, Scoggins of the 14th, Oliver of the 82nd, Wilson of the 80th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to jurisdiction, power, and duties, so as to require and to provide for an oath for certain clerks of the probate court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Judiciary.

HB 106. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Williams of the 168th, Tarvin of the 2nd, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 45-9-81 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as to replace the term "National Guard" with the term "organized militia" in the definition of law enforcement officer; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

HB 134. By Representatives Anderson of the 10th, Jones of the 47th, Jones of the 25th, Dubnik of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 14 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to open and public meetings, so as to exclude meetings relating to cybersecurity contracting and planning from open meeting requirements; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, so as to provide an exemption for certain documents relating to cybersecurity plans and systems; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

HB 153. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 88 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 27 SB 43 SB 45 SB 46 SB 81 SB 87

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Cowsert of the 46th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Cowsert was excused.

Senator Parent of the 42nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jordan of the 6th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jordan was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anavitarte of the 31st be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anavitarte was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Halpern | Parent |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Payne |
| Au | Harrell | Rahman |
| Beach | Hatchett | Rhett |
| Brass | Hickman | Robertson |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Seay |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Sims |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dixon | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dolezal | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Dugan | McNeill | Walker |
| Ginn | Merritt | Watson |
| Gooch | Miller | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anavitarte (Excused) | Harper (Excused) | Jackson, L. (Excused) |

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| James (Excused) | Jordan (Excused) | Lucas (Excused) |
| Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Harbin |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Seay of the 34th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend J. Scott Copeland of LaFayette, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Orrock of the 36th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Florence LeCraw, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 93. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th and Miller of the 49th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Callaway Cavaliers for winning the 2020 GHSA Class AA State Football Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 94. By Senator Butler of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Richard I. Berkowitz upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 95. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Hickman of the 4th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 23, 2021, as Dyslexia Day at the state capitol and urging schools, local educational agencies, and the state educational agency to address the profound educational impact of dyslexia; and for other purposes.

SR 97. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ella Mae Lewis; and for other purposes.

SR 98. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th, Au of the 48th, Payne of the 54th, Rhett of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend Dr. Clifton E. Dawkins on his outstanding service as a pastor; and for other purposes.

SR 99. By Senators Au of the 48th, Rahman of the 5th, Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Lunar New Year Celebration; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021
SIXTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 49 Buildings and Housing; procedures for alternative plan review, permitting, and inspection by private professional providers; provide (Substitute)(SLGO(G)-45th)

SB 86 "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975 "; requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; provide (AG&CA-20th)

SB 33 Torts; cause of action against perpetrators for victims of human trafficking; provide (JUDY-45th)

SB 32 Public Disclosure; certain personal records of state and federal employees; exempt (Substitute)(JUDY-28th)

SB 34 Domestic Relations; name change; victims of human trafficking may petition; provide (JUDY-45th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 49. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 24th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to standards and requirements for construction, alteration, etc. of buildings and other structures, so as to provide procedures for

alternative plan review, permitting, and inspection by private professional providers so as to allow applicants to elect whether to retain, at their own expense, a private professional provider to provide required plan reviews or inspections of certain buildings; to provide for fees; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to SB 49:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to standards and requirements for construction, alteration, etc. of buildings and other structures, so as to provide procedures for alternative plan review, permitting, and inspection by private professional providers so as to allow applicants to elect whether to retain, at their own expense, a private professional provider to provide required plan reviews or inspections of certain buildings; to provide for fees; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to standards and requirements for construction, alteration, etc. of buildings and other structures, is amended by revising subsection (g) of Code Section 8-2-26, relating to enforcement of codes generally, employment and training of inspectors, and contracts for administration and enforcement of codes, as follows:

"(g)(1) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Complete application' means a submitted plan, application, or request for inspection that contains all of the information and supporting documentation required by the county or municipality for it to make the determination as to whether the plan, application, or request is in compliance with regulatory requirements.

(B) 'Private professional provider' means a ~~professional~~:

(i) Professional engineer who holds a certificate of registration issued under Chapter 15 of Title 43 ~~or a professional~~;

(ii) Professional architect who holds a certificate of registration issued under Chapter 4 of Title 43~~,~~; or

(iii) Qualified inspector as such term is defined in Code Section 8-2-26.1

who is not an employee of or otherwise affiliated with or financially interested in

the person, firm, or corporation engaged in the construction project to be reviewed or inspected.

(C) 'Regulatory fee' means payments, whether designated as permit fees, application fees, or by another name, that are required by a local government as an exercise of its police power, its regulation of business, and as a part of or as an aid to regulation of construction related activities under this chapter.

(D) 'Regulatory requirements' means the requirements determined by a county or municipality to be necessary for approval of plans, permits, or applications under this chapter; provided, however, that with respect to any application, such requirements shall include the Georgia State Minimum Standard Codes most recently adopted by the Department of Community Affairs and any locally adopted ordinances and amendments to such codes; applicable zoning ordinances and conditions; design standards; and other state and local laws, regulations, and ordinances applicable to the application in question.

(2) Each county or municipality which imposes regulatory fees or regulatory requirements within its jurisdiction shall establish and make available a schedule of such regulatory fees and regulatory requirements which shall include a list of all documentation related to compliance with such regulatory requirements, including the requirements necessary for submittal of a complete application. The amount of any regulatory fee shall approximate the reasonable cost of the actual regulatory activity performed by the local government and shall be subject to the provisions of paragraph (6) of Code Section 48-13-5.

(3) No later than five business days after receipt of any application related to regulatory requirements, a local building official of a county or municipality shall notify each applicant as to whether the submitted documents meet the requirements of a complete application. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, time spent by a county or municipality determining whether an application is complete shall count toward the total 30 days for plan review or inspection. If a local building official determines that the application is not complete, the applicant shall be provided written notice identifying the items that are not complete. The 30 day time period is tolled when the application is rejected as incomplete. If within 30 days after the county or municipality has provided notice that the application is incomplete the permit applicant submits revisions to address the identified deficiencies, the local building official shall have an additional five business days to review the application for completeness.

(4) At the time a county or municipality notifies ~~Upon notification to~~ the applicant that a complete application has been accepted, ~~a county or municipality~~ it shall also notify ~~each~~ such applicant as to whether the personnel employed or contracted by such county or municipality will be able to provide regulatory action within 30 days for plan review or provide inspection services within two business days of receiving a valid written request for inspection.

(5) ~~If the county or municipality determines that the personnel employed or contracted by such county or municipality cannot provide regulatory action or~~

~~inspection services within the time frames required under paragraph (4) of this subsection, the~~ The applicant shall have the option of retaining, at its own expense, a private professional provider to provide the required plan review or inspection in accordance with the provisions of this Code section irrespective of whether the county or municipality determines that the personnel employed or contracted by such county or municipality can provide regulatory action or inspection services within the time frames required under paragraph (4) of this subsection. If the applicant elects to utilize the services of a private professional provider, the regulatory fees associated with such regulatory action shall be reduced by 50 percent and such reduced amount shall be paid to the county or municipality in accordance with such jurisdiction's policies.

(6) If the county or municipality determines that the personnel employed or contracted by such county or municipality can provide regulatory action or inspection services within the time frames required under paragraph (4) of this subsection, a convenience fee not to exceed the full amount of the regulatory fees associated with such regulatory action shall be paid to the county or municipality in accordance with such jurisdiction's policies. ~~Upon payment in full of the convenience fees associated with the complete application, the applicant may nevertheless choose to retain, at its own expense, a private professional provider to provide the required plan review or inspection, subject to the requirements set forth in this Code section.~~

(7) If the local governing authority states its intent to complete the required plan review within the time prescribed by paragraph (4) of this subsection, or any extension thereof mutually agreed to by the applicant and the governing authority, and the local governing authority fails to complete such plan review in the time prescribed by paragraph (4) of this subsection, or any extension thereof mutually agreed to by the applicant and the governing authority, the local governing authority shall issue the applicant a project initiation permit. The local governing authority shall be allowed to limit the scope of a project initiation permit and limit the areas of the site to which the project initiation permit may apply but shall permit the applicant to begin work on the project, provided that portion of the initial phase of work is compliant with applicable codes, laws, and rules. If the plans submitted for permitting are denied for any deficiency, the time frames and process for resubmittal shall be governed by subparagraphs (C) through (E) of paragraph (13) of this subsection. Any delay in the processing of an application that is attributable to a cause outside the control of the county or municipality that is processing the application or through fault of the applicant shall not count toward days for the purposes of this subsection. This paragraph shall not be applicable if the applicant elects to retain a private professional provider to provide the required plan review.

(8) Any plan review or inspection conducted by a private professional provider shall be no less extensive than plan reviews or inspections conducted by county or municipal personnel.

(9) The person, firm, or corporation retaining a private professional provider to conduct a plan review or an inspection shall be required to pay to the county or

municipality which requires the plan review or inspection the regulatory fees and charges which are required by ~~either~~ paragraph (5) or (6) of this subsection or both, as applicable.

(10) A private professional provider performing plan reviews under this subsection shall review plans to determine compliance with all applicable regulatory requirements. Upon determining that the plans reviewed comply with the applicable regulatory requirements, such private professional provider shall prepare an affidavit or affidavits on a form adopted by the Department of Community Affairs certifying under oath that the following is true and correct to the best of such private professional provider's knowledge and belief and in accordance with the applicable professional standard of care:

(A) The plans were reviewed by the affiant who is duly authorized to perform plan review pursuant to this subsection and who holds the appropriate license or certifications and insurance coverage stipulated in this subsection;

(B) The plans comply with all applicable regulatory requirements; and

(C) The plans submitted for plan review are in conformity with plans previously submitted to obtain governmental approvals required in the plan submittal process and do not make a change to the project reviewed for such approvals.

(11) All private professional providers providing plan review or inspection services pursuant to this subsection shall secure and maintain insurance coverage for professional liability (errors and omissions) insurance. The limits of such insurance shall be not less than $1 million per claim and $1 million in aggregate coverage for any project with a construction cost of $5 million or less and $2 million per claim and $2 million in aggregate coverage for any project with a construction cost of more than $5 million. Such insurance may be a practice policy or project-specific coverage. If the insurance is a practice policy, it shall contain prior acts coverage for the private professional provider. If the insurance is project-specific, it shall continue in effect for two years following the issuance of the certificate of final completion for the project. A local enforcement agency, local building official, or local government may establish, for private professional providers working within that jurisdiction, a system of registration listing the private professional providers within their stated areas of competency. The permit applicant shall verify compliance with the insurance requirements of this paragraph.

(12) The private professional provider shall be empowered to perform any plan review or inspection required by the governing authority of any county or municipality, including, but not limited to, inspections for footings, foundations, concrete slabs, framing, electrical, plumbing, heating ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC), or any and all other inspections necessary or required to determine compliance with all regulatory requirements and for the issuance of a building permit or certificate of occupancy by the governing authority of any county or municipality, provided that the plan review or inspection is within the scope of such private professional provider's area of competency; and provided, further, that a qualified inspector acting as a private professional provider shall only be empowered to

perform a plan review or inspection within an area for which such qualified inspector has been issued a certification, license, or completion of training provided for in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 8-2-26.1. Nothing in this Code section shall authorize any private professional provider to issue a certificate of occupancy. Only a local governing authority shall be authorized to issue a certificate of occupancy.

(13)(A) The permit applicant shall submit a copy of the private professional provider's plan review report to the county or municipality within five days of its completion. Such plan review report shall include at a minimum all of the following:

(i) The affidavit of the private professional provider required pursuant to this subsection;

(ii) The applicable fees; and

(iii) Any documents required by the local official and any other documents necessary to determine that the permit applicant has secured all other governmental approvals required by law.

(B) No more than 30 days after receipt of both a permit application and the affidavit from the private professional provider required pursuant to this subsection, the local building official shall issue the requested permit or provide written notice to the permit applicant identifying the specific plan features that do not comply with the applicable regulatory requirements, as well as the specific code chapters and sections of such regulatory requirements. If the local building official does not provide a written notice of the plan deficiencies within the prescribed 30 day period, the permit application shall be deemed approved as a matter of law and the permit shall be issued by the local building official on the next business day.

(C) If the local building official provides a written notice of plan deficiencies to the permit applicant within the prescribed 30 day period, the 30 day period shall be tolled pending resolution of the matter. To resolve the plan deficiencies, the permit applicant may elect to dispute the deficiencies pursuant to this subsection or to submit revisions to correct the deficiencies.

(D) If the permit applicant submits revisions to address the plan deficiencies previously identified, the local building official shall have the remainder of the tolled 30 day period plus an additional five business days to issue the requested permit or to provide a second written notice to the permit applicant stating which of the previously identified plan features remain in noncompliance with the applicable regulatory requirements, with specific reference to the relevant code chapters and sections of such regulatory requirements. If the local building official does not provide the second written notice within the prescribed time period, the permit shall be issued by the local building official on the next business day. In the event that the revisions required to address the plan deficiencies or any additional revisions submitted by the applicant require that new governmental approvals be obtained, the applicant shall be required to obtain such approvals before a new plan report can be submitted.

(E) If the local building official provides a second written notice of plan deficiencies to the permit applicant within the prescribed time period, the permit applicant may elect to dispute the deficiencies pursuant to this subsection or to submit additional revisions to correct the deficiencies. For all revisions submitted after the first revision, the local building official shall have an additional five business days to issue the requested permit or to provide a written notice to the permit applicant stating which of the previously identified plan features remain in noncompliance with the applicable regulatory requirements, with specific reference to the relevant code chapters and sections.

(14) Upon submission by the private professional provider of a copy of his or her inspection report to the local governing authority, said local governing authority shall be required to accept the inspection of the private professional provider without the necessity of further inspection or approval by the inspectors or other personnel employed by the local governing authority unless said governing authority has notified the private professional provider, within two business days after the submission of the inspection report, that it finds the report incomplete or the inspection inadequate and has provided the private professional provider with a written description of the deficiencies and specific regulatory requirements that have not been adequately addressed.

(15) A local governing authority may provide for the prequalification of private professional providers who may perform plan reviews or inspections pursuant to this subsection. No ordinance implementing prequalification shall become effective until notice of the governing authority's intent to require prequalification and the specific requirements for prequalification have been advertised in the newspaper in which the sheriff's advertisements for that locality are published, and by any other methods such local authority ordinarily utilizes for notification of engineering, architecture, or construction related solicitations. The ordinance implementing prequalification shall provide for evaluation of the qualifications of a private professional provider only on the basis of the private professional provider's expertise with respect to the objectives of this subsection, as demonstrated by the private professional provider's experience, education, and training. Such ordinance may require a private professional provider to hold additional certifications, provided that such certifications are required by ordinance for plan review personnel currently directly employed by such local governing authority.

(16) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit any public or private right of action designed to provide protection, rights, or remedies for consumers.

(17) Reserved.

(18) If the local building official determines that the building construction or plans do not comply with the applicable regulatory requirements, the official may deny the permit or request for a certificate of occupancy or certificate of completion, as appropriate, or may issue a stop-work order for the project or any portion thereof as provided by law, after giving notice to the owner, the architect of record, the engineer of record, or the contractor of record and by posting a copy of the order on the site of

the project and opportunity to remedy the violation within the time limits set forth in the notice, if the official determines noncompliance with regulatory requirements, provided that:

(A) A local building official shall be available to meet with the private professional provider within two business days to resolve any dispute after issuing a stop-work order or providing notice to the applicant denying a permit or request for a certificate of occupancy or certificate of completion; and

(B) If the local building official and the private professional provider are unable to resolve the dispute or meet within the time required by this Code section, the matter shall be referred to the local enforcement agency's board of appeals, if one exists, which shall consider the matter not later than its next scheduled meeting. Any decisions by the local official, if there is no board of appeals, may be appealed to the Department of Community Affairs as provided in this chapter. The Department of Community Affairs shall develop rules and regulations which shall establish reasonable time frames and fees to carry out the provisions of this paragraph.

(19) The local government, a local building official, and local building code enforcement personnel and agents of the local government shall be immune from liability to any person or party for any action or inaction by an owner of a building or by a private professional provider or its duly authorized representative in connection with plan review and inspection services by private professional providers as provided in this subsection.

(20) No local enforcement agency, local code official, or local government shall adopt or enforce any rules, procedures, policies, qualifications, or standards more stringent than those prescribed in this subsection. This subsection shall not preempt any local laws, rules, or procedures relating to the plan submittal process of local governing authorities.

(21) Nothing in this subsection shall limit the authority of a local code official to issue a stop-work order for a building project or any portion of such project, which may go into effect immediately as provided by law, after giving notice and opportunity to remedy the violation, if the official determines that a condition on the building site constitutes an immediate threat to public safety and welfare. A stop-work order issued for reasons of immediate threat to public safety and welfare shall be appealable to the local enforcement agency's board of appeals, if one exists, in the manner provided by applicable law. Any decisions by the local official, if there is no board of appeals, may be appealed to the Department of Community Affairs as provided in this chapter.

(22) When performing plan reviews or inspection services, a private professional provider is subject to the disciplinary guidelines of the applicable professional licensing board with jurisdiction over such private professional provider's license or certification under Chapters 4 and 15 of Title 43, as applicable. Any complaint processing, investigation, and discipline that arise out of a private professional provider's performance of plan reviews or inspection services shall be conducted by the applicable professional licensing board. Notwithstanding any disciplinary rules of

the applicable professional licensing board with jurisdiction over such private professional provider's license or certification under Chapters 4 and 15 of Title 43, any local building official may decline to accept plan reviews or inspection services submitted by any private professional provider who has submitted multiple reports which required revisions due to negligence, noncompliance, or deficiencies.

(23) Nothing in this subsection shall apply to inspections exempted in Code Section 8-2-26.1.

(24) To the extent that a provision of this Code section conflicts with requirements of federal laws or regulations or impairs a county's or municipality's receipt of federal funds, such provision shall not apply."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 39, nays 13.

SB 49, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 80. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 80. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for

the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House amendment to the Senate substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following amendment:

Amend the Senate substitute to HB 80 by inserting the numbered sections and amounts appropriated therefor as contained in the attached document "HB 80 Senate Substitute As Amended By the House" in lieu of the corresponding numbered sections and amounts appropriated therefor as contained in the Senate Substitute, which are hereby stricken:

**HB 80 SENATE SUBSTITUTE AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE**
**AMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2021 APPROPRIATIONS BILL**

| FUND AVAILABILITY | GOVERNOR'S RECOMMENDATION | HOUSE | SENATE | SENATE SUBSTITUTE AS AMENDED BY THE HOUSE |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Fund Revenue Estimate | $ 22,689,135,016 | $ 22,689,135,016 | $ 22,689,135,016 | $ 22,689,135,016 |
| Motor Fuel Funds | 1,902,958,412 | 1,902,958,412 | 1,902,958,412 | 1,902,958,412 |
| Lottery for Education | 1,301,318,614 | 1,301,318,614 | 1,301,318,614 | 1,301,318,614 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | 160,559,061 | 160,559,061 | 160,559,061 | 160,559,061 |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | 299,987 | 299,987 | 299,987 | 299,987 |
| Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund | 1,431,529 | 1,431,529 | 1,431,529 | 1,431,529 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | 157,267,497 | 157,267,497 | 157,267,497 | 157,267,497 |
| Hospital Provider Payment | 353,741,510 | 353,741,510 | 353,741,510 | 353,741,510 |
| | **$ 26,566,711,626** | **$ 26,566,711,626** | **$ 26,566,711,626** | **$ 26,566,711,626** |

## HB 80 Senate Substitute as Amended by the House

| Item Number | | | Gov's Recommendation | | House Version | | Senate Version | | Differences | | House Amendment | |
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| House | Senate | | State Funds | Total Funds | State Funds | Total Funds | State Funds | Total Funds | State Funds | Total Funds | State Funds | Total Funds |
| **Section 1: Georgia Senate** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **1.1** | **1.100** | **Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Lieutenant Governor's Office]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| 1.1.2. | 1.1 | Restore funds for legislative session operations. *[Lieutenant Governor's Office]* | 60,000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | 160,000 | 160,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 160,000 | 160,000 |
| **1.2** | **2.100** | **Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Secretary of the Senate's Office]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **1.3** | **3.100** | **Senate** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Senate]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 50,596 | 50,596 |
| 1.3.2. | 3.1 | Restore funds for legislative session operations.*[Senate] (S:Restore funds for legislative session operations and technology.)****(CC:Restore funds for legislative session operations and technology.)*** | 385,400 | 385,400 | 385,400 | 385,400 | 610,400 | 610,400 | 225,000 | 225,000 | 610,400 | 610,400 |
| **Section 2: Georgia House of Representatives** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **2.1** | **4.100** | **House of Representatives** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[House of Representatives]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 90,426 | 90,426 |
| 2.1.2. | 4.1 | Restore funds for legislative session operations.*[House of Representatives]* | 333,733 | 333,733 | 355,757 | 355,757 | 355,757 | 355,757 | 0 | 0 | 555,757 | 555,757 |

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| **Section 3: Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **3.1** | **5.100** | **Ancillary Activities** | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Ancillary Activities]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 13,995 | 13,995 |
| 3.1.2. | 5.1 | Transfer funds from the Ancillary Activities program to the Legislative Fiscal Office program to reflect a realignment of funding for operations. *[Ancillary Activities] (H:No; Maintain funds for legislative session operations.)(S:Increase funds for legislative session operations.)****(CC:Increase funds for legislative session operations.)*** | (150,000) | (150,000) | 0 | 0 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 |
| 3.1.3. | 5.2 | Provide one-time funds to host the 2021 National Black Caucus of State Legislators in Georgia.*[Ancillary Activities]* | - | - | 75,000 | 75,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| **3.2** | **6.100** | **Legislative Fiscal Office** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Legislative Fiscal Office]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| 3.2.2. | 6.1 | Transfer funds from Ancillary Activities program to the Legislative Fiscal Office program to reflect a realignment of funding for operations.*[Legislative Fiscal Office] (H & S:Restore funds for session operations.)****(CC:Restore funds for session operations.)*** | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | (50,000) | (50,000) | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| **3.3** | **7.100** | **Office of Legislative Counsel** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of Legislative Counsel]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 16,148 | 16,148 |
| 3.3.2. | 7.1 | Restore funds for legislative session operations.*[Office of Legislative Counsel]* | - | - | 15,546 | 15,546 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 34,454 | 34,454 | 115,546 | 115,546 |

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| **Section 4: Audits and Accounts, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **4.1** | **8.100** | **Audit and Assurance Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 4.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Audit and Assurance Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 185,158 | 185,158 |
| **4.2** | **9.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOAA)** | | | | | | | | |
| 4.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DOAA)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| **4.4** | **11.100** | **Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** | | | | | | | | |
| 4.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 13,995 | 13,995 |
| **Section 5: Appeals, Court of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **5.1** | **12.100** | **Court of Appeals** | | | | | | | | |
| 5.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Court of Appeals]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 36,601 | 36,601 |
| **5.2** | **13.100** | **Georgia State-wide Business Court** | | | | | | | | |
| 5.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia State-wide Business Court]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2,153 | 2,153 |
| **Section 6: Judicial Council** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **6.1** | **14.100** | **Council of Accountability Court Judges** | | | | | | | | |
| 6.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Council of* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,230 | 3,230 |

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| | | *Accountability Court Judges]* | | | | | | | | |
| **6.2** | **15.100** | **Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** | | | | | | | | |
| 6.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 9,689 | 9,689 |
| **6.4** | **17.100** | **Judicial Council** | | | | | | | | |
| 6.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Judicial Council]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 47,366 | 47,366 |
| **6.5** | **18.100** | **Judicial Qualifications Commission** | | | | | | | | |
| 6.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Judicial Qualifications Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1,077 | 1,077 |
| **Section 7: Juvenile Courts** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **7.1** | **20.100** | **Council of Juvenile Court Judges** | | | | | | | | |
| 7.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Council of Juvenile Court Judges]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 11,842 | 11,842 |
| **Section 8: Prosecuting Attorneys** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **8.2** | **23.100** | **District Attorneys** | | | | | | | | |
| 8.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[District Attorneys]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 630,829 | 630,829 |
| **8.3** | **24.100** | **Prosecuting Attorney's Council** | | | | | | | | |
| 8.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Prosecuting Attorney's Council]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 24,760 | 24,760 |

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| **Section 9: Superior Courts** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **9.1** | **25.100** | **Council of Superior Court Judges** | | | | | | | | | |
| 9.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Council of Superior Court Judges]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| **9.2** | **26.100** | **Judicial Administrative Districts** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Judicial Administrative Districts]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 9,689 | 9,689 |
| 9.2.2. | 26.1 | Increase funds for regular operating expenses.*[Judicial Administrative Districts]* | 46,518 | 46,518 | 23,259 | 23,259 | 46,518 | 46,518 | 23,259 | 23,259 | 46,518 | 46,518 |
| **9.3** | **27.100** | **Superior Court Judges** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Superior Court Judges]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 251,901 | 251,901 |
| 9.3.5. | 27.4 | Restore funds for personal services and operating expenses.*[Superior Court Judges]* | - | - | 353,267 | 353,267 | 330,008 | 330,008 | (23,259) | (23,259) | 330,008 | 330,008 |
| **Section 10: Supreme Court** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **10.1** | **28.100** | **Supreme Court of Georgia** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Supreme Court of Georgia]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 31,219 | 31,219 |
| **Section 11: Accounting Office, State** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **11.1** | **29.100** | **Administration (SAO)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Administration (SAO)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 2,153 | 2,153 |

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| **11.2** | **30.100** | **Financial Systems** | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Financial Systems]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 26,913 | 26,913 |
| **11.3** | **31.100** | **Shared Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Shared Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 16,148 | 16,148 |
| **11.4** | **32.100** | **Statewide Accounting and Reporting** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Statewide Accounting and Reporting]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 12,918 | 12,918 |
| **11.5** | **33.100** | **Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 13,995 | 13,995 |
| **11.6** | **34.100** | **Georgia State Board of Accountancy** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia State Board of Accountancy]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **Section 12: Administrative Services, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **12.8** | **42.100** | **Office of State Administrative Hearings** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 12.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of State Administrative Hearings]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 23,683 | 23,683 |

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| **Section 13: Agriculture, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **13.2** | **45.100** | **Consumer Protection** | | | | | | | | | |
| 13.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Consumer Protection]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 410,147 | 410,147 |
| 13.2.3. | 45.2 | Provide funds for the Georgia Hemp Program. *[Plant Protection]* | - | - | 453,049 | 453,049 | 276,017 | 276,017 | (177,032) | (177,032) | 244,387 | 244,387 |
| **13.3** | **46.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOA)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DOA)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 47,366 | 47,366 |
| **13.4** | **47.100** | **Marketing and Promotion** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Marketing and Promotion]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 41,984 | 41,984 |
| 13.4.2. | 47.1 | Retain the Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah farmers markets within the Georgia Department of Agriculture. *[Farmers Markets] (H:Yes)(S:Yes; Redirect $120,000 intended for the transition of ownership of farmers markets in Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah to local authorities to instead fund repairs and maintenance for any and all state farmers markets.)****(CC:Yes; Retain $120,000 in existing funds for the Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah farmers markets within the Georgia Department of Agriculture.)*** | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **13.6** | **49.100** | **Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 13.6.1. | 49.1 | Increase funds to mitigate the operational impact of COVID-19.*[Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority]* | 1,750,000 | 1,750,000 | 1,750,000 | 1,750,000 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 1,250,000 | 1,250,000 | 2,250,000 | 2,250,000 |

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| **13.7** | **50.100** | **State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** | | | | | | | | |
| 13.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[State Soil and Water Conservation Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 20,454 | 20,454 |
| **Section 14: Banking and Finance, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **14.1** | **51.100** | **Departmental Administration (DBF)** | | | | | | | | |
| 14.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DBF)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **14.2** | **52.100** | **Financial Institution Supervision** | | | | | | | | |
| 14.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Financial Institution Supervision]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 49,519 | 49,519 |
| **14.3** | **53.100** | **Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** | | | | | | | | |
| 14.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 24,760 | 24,760 |
| **Section 15: Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **15.1** | **54.100** | **Adult Addictive Diseases Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Adult Addictive Diseases Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 9,689 | 9,689 |

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| **15.2** | **55.100** | **Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** | | | | | | | | | |
| 15.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[occurs in 2 subprograms]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 701,879 | 701,879 |
| 15.2.4. | 55.2 | Recognize savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize up to $500,000 for a feasibility study on implementation of a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, to be provided to the Office of Planning and Budget, the House Budget and Research Office, and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office by September 1, 2021.*[Community Services - Adult Developmental Disabilities] (G:Yes)(H:Yes; Utilize $1,757,154 in savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) for a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.)(S:Yes; Recognize savings from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency and utilize up to $500,000 for a feasibility study on implementation of a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, to be provided to the Office of Planning and Budget, the House Budget and Research Office, and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office by September 1, 2021.)****(CC:Yes; Utilize $1,757,154 in savings*** | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| | | ***from the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) for a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.)*** | | | | | | | | |
| **15.3** | **56.100** | **Adult Forensic Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Adult Forensic Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1,171,232 | 1,171,232 |
| **15.4** | **57.100** | **Adult Mental Health Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[occurs in 2 subprograms]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,537,516 | 5,537,516 |
| **15.5** | **58.100** | **Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1,077 | 1,077 |
| **15.6** | **59.100** | **Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 36,601 | 36,601 |
| **15.7** | **60.100** | **Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child and Adolescent Forensic Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |

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| **15.8** | **61.100** | **Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 13,995 | 13,995 |
| **15.9** | **62.100** | **Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DBHDD)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 236,830 | 236,830 |
| **15.10** | **63.100** | **Direct Care Support Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Direct Care Support Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 996,839 | 996,839 |
| **15.11** | **64.100** | **Substance Abuse Prevention** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.11.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Substance Abuse Prevention]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 13,995 | 13,995 |
| **15.12** | **65.100** | **Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.12.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 9,689 | 9,689 |
| **15.13** | **66.100** | **Sexual Offender Review Board** | | | | | | | | |
| 15.13.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Sexual Offender Review Board]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 8,612 | 8,612 |

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| **Section 16: Community Affairs, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **16.1** | **67.100** | **Building Construction** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Building Construction]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **16.2** | **68.100** | **Coordinated Planning** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Coordinated Planning]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10,765 | 10,765 |
| **16.3** | **69.100** | **Departmental Administration (DCA)** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DCA)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 38,754 | 38,754 |
| **16.4** | **70.100** | **Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Federal Community and Economic Development Programs]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 30,142 | 30,142 |
| **16.6** | **72.100** | **Regional Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Regional Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 11,842 | 11,842 |
| **16.8** | **74.100** | **Research and Surveys** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Research and Surveys]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **16.9** | **75.100** | **Special Housing Initiatives** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less | - | - | - | - | - | - | 47,366 | 47,366 |

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| | | than $80,000.*[Special Housing Initiatives]* | | | | | | | | | | |
| **16.10** | **76.100** | **State Community Development Programs** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[State Community Development Programs]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 33,372 | 33,372 |
| **16.11** | **77.100** | **State Economic Development Programs** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16.11.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[State Economic Development Programs]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **16.12** | **78.100** | **Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16.12.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 16,148 | 16,148 |
| **16.15** | **81.100** | **Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 16.15.1. | 81.1 | Provide funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.*[Payments to OneGeorgia Authority] (H:Provide funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program, hire a grant administrator, and perform mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.)(S:Provide funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and* | 20,000,000 | 20,000,000 | 20,000,000 | 20,000,000 | 20,000,000 | 20,000,000 | 0 | 0 | 20,000,000 | 20,000,000 |

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| | | *private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.)****(CC:Provide funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.)*** | | | | | | | | |
| 16.15.2. | New | Provide funds to hire a grant administrator and perform mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.*[Payments to OneGeorgia Authority]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| **Section 17: Community Health, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **17.1** | **82.100** | **Departmental Administration (DCH)** | | | | | | | | |
| 17.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DCH)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 363,857 | 363,857 |
| **17.2** | **83.100** | **Georgia Board of Dentistry** | | | | | | | | |
| 17.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Board of Dentistry]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| **17.3** | **84.100** | **Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** | | | | | | | | |
| 17.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia State Board of Pharmacy]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 8,612 | 8,612 |
| **17.4** | **85.100** | **Health Care Access and Improvement** | | | | | | | | |

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| 17.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Health Care Access and Improvement]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 10,765 | 10,765 |
| **17.5** | **86.100** | **Healthcare Facility Regulation** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Healthcare Facility Regulation]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 190,541 | 190,541 |
| **17.7** | **88.100** | **Medicaid- Aged Blind and Disabled** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17.7.5 | 88.4 | Reduce funds to reflect the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*[Medicaid: Aged Blind and Disabled]* | (215,620,121) | 0 | (215,620,121) | 0 | (215,620,121) | 0 | 0 | 0 | (266,677,301) | 0 |
| 17.7.9. | 88.9 | Provide funds and submit an 1135 waiver to increase the Medicaid growth allowance for skilled nursing centers by 5% for an overall rate increase of 3.5%, effective July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. *[Medicaid: Aged Blind and Disabled] (S:Increase funds and submit a Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment to increase the Medicaid growth allowance for skilled nursing centers by 5% for an overall rate increase of 3.5%, effective July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.)****(CC:Increase funds and submit a Disaster Relief State Plan Amendment to increase the Medicaid growth allowance for skilled nursing centers by 5% for an overall rate increase of 3.5%, effective July 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.)*** | - | - | 9,717,680 | 29,600,000 | 9,717,680 | 29,600,000 | 0 | 0 | 9,717,680 | 29,600,000 |
| **17.8** | **89.100** | **Medicaid- Low-Income Medicaid** | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 17.8.2. | 89.2 | Reduce funds to reflect the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*[Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid]* | (127,537,792) | 0 | (127,537,792) | 0 | (127,537,792) | 0 | 0 | 0 | (149,607,211) | 0 |
| **17.9** | **90.100** | **PeachCare** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17.9.2. | 90.2 | Reduce funds to reflect the extension of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*[PeachCare]* | (1,570,972) | 0 | (1,570,972) | 0 | (1,570,972) | 0 | 0 | 0 | (2,381,122) | 0 |
| **17.11** | **92.100** | **Georgia Board of Health Care Workforce: Board Administration** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17.11.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Board of Health Care Workforce: Board Administration]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **17.17** | **98.100** | **Georgia Composite Medical Board** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17.17.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Composite Medical Board]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 23,683 | 23,683 |
| **17.18** | **99.100** | **Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 17.18.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **Section 18: Community Supervision, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **18.1** | **100.100** | **Departmental Administration (DCS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DCS)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 59,208 | 59,208 |

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| **18.2** | **101.100** | **Field Services** | | | | | | | | | |
| 18.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Field Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1,818,209 | 1,818,209 |
| **18.3** | **102.100** | **Governor's Office of Transition, Support, and Reentry** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Governor's Office of Transition, Support, and Reentry]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 24,760 | 24,760 |
| **18.4** | **103.100** | **Misdemeanor Probation** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Misdemeanor Probation]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| **18.5** | **104.100** | **Georgia Commission on Family Violence** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 18.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Commission on Family Violence]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **Section 19: Corrections, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **19.2** | **106.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOC)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DOC)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 189,464 | 189,464 |
| 19.2.2. | 106.1 | Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021.*[Departmental Administration (DOC)] (S:Yes)****(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **19.3** | **107.100** | **Detention Centers** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 19.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 737,403 | 737,403 |

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| | | than $80,000.*[Detention Centers]* | | | | | | | | |
| **19.4** | **108.100** | **Food and Farm Operations** | | | | | | | | |
| 19.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Food and Farm Operations]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 210,994 | 210,994 |
| **19.5** | **109.100** | **Health** | | | | | | | | |
| 19.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Health]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 22,607 | 22,607 |
| **19.6** | **110.100** | **Offender Management** | | | | | | | | |
| 19.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Offender Management]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 62,437 | 62,437 |
| **19.7** | **111.100** | **Private Prisons** | | | | | | | | |
| 19.7.1. | New | Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers effective April 1, 2021.*[Private Prisons]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **19.8** | **112.100** | **State Prisons** | | | | | | | | |
| 19.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[State Prisons]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,526,820 | 6,526,820 |
| **19.9** | **113.100** | **Transition Centers** | | | | | | | | |
| 19.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Transition Centers]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 354,169 | 354,169 |
| **Section 20: Defense, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **20.1** | **114.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOD)** | | | | | | | | |
| 20.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 11,842 | 11,842 |

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| | | $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DOD)]* | | | | | | | | | |
| **20.2** | **115.100** | **Military Readiness** | | | | | | | | | |
| 20.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Military Readiness]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 272,355 | 272,355 |
| **20.3** | **116.100** | **Youth Educational Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 20.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Youth Educational Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 189,464 | 189,464 |
| **Section 21: Driver Services, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **21.1** | **117.100** | **Departmental Administration (DDS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DDS)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 44,137 | 44,137 |
| 21.1.2. | 117.1 | Provide funds to replace 25 vehicles and purchase a truck for the mobile license issuance trailer.*[Departmental Administration (DDS)] (S:Increase funds to replace 15 vehicles and purchase a truck for the mobile license issuance trailer.)****(CC:Provide funds to replace 25 vehicles and purchase a truck for the mobile license issuance trailer.)*** | - | - | 665,000 | 665,000 | 415,000 | 415,000 | (250,000) | (250,000) | 665,000 | 665,000 |
| **21.2** | **118.100** | **License Issuance** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[License Issuance]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 667,430 | 667,430 |
| **21.3** | **119.100** | **Regulatory Compliance** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 21.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 16,148 | 16,148 |

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| | | than $80,000.*[Regulatory Compliance]* | | | | | | | | |
| **Section 22: Early Care and Learning, Bright from the Start: Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **22.1** | **120.100** | **Child Care Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 22.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child Care Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 390,770 | 390,770 |
| **22.3** | **122.100** | **Pre-Kindergarten Program** | | | | | | | | |
| 22.3.1. | New | Increase lottery funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Pre-Kindergarten Program]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 50,596 | 50,596 |
| **Section 23: Economic Development, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **23.1** | **124.100** | **Departmental Administration (DEcD)** | | | | | | | | |
| 23.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DEcD)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 19,377 | 19,377 |
| **23.2** | **125.100** | **Film, Video, and Music** | | | | | | | | |
| 23.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Film, Video, and Music]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **23.3** | **126.100** | **Georgia Council for the Arts** | | | | | | | | |
| 23.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Council for the Arts]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **23.5** | **128.100** | **Global Commerce** | | | | | | | | |
| 23.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Global Commerce]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 32,295 | 32,295 |

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| **23.6** | **129.100** | **International Relations and Trade** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[International Relations and Trade]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 9,689 | 9,689 |
| **23.7** | **130.100** | **Rural Development** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Rural Development]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **23.8** | **131.100** | **Small and Minority Business Development** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Small and Minority Business Development]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| **23.9** | **132.100** | **Tourism** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Tourism]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 48,443 | 48,443 |
| 23.9.2. | 132.1 | Provide one-time funds for a targeted advertising campaign to promote interstate Georgia tourism.*[Tourism Marketing and Promotion] (S:Provide funds for one-time funding for a targeted advertising campaign to promote interstate Georgia tourism ($1,000,000) and provide funds for operations and marketing at the Georgia World Congress Center Authority ($3,000,000).)****(CC:Provide funds for one-time funding for a targeted advertising campaign to promote interstate Georgia tourism ($1,000,000) and provide funds for operations and marketing at the Georgia*** | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 3,000,000 | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 |

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| | | ***World Congress Center Authority ($3,000,000).)*** | | | | | | | | | |
| 23.9.3. | 132.2 | Restore funds to the Georgia Historical Society to reflect a 10% budget reduction.*[Tourism Marketing and Promotion] (S:Increase funds to restore the Georgia Historical Society.)****(CC:Increase funds to restore the Georgia Historical Society.)*** | 24,000 | 24,000 | 24,000 | 24,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 26,000 | 26,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| **Section 24: Education, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **24.1** | **133.100** | **Agricultural Education** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Agricultural Education]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 2,153 | 2,153 |
| 24.1.2. | 133.1 | Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the Area Teacher Program, Extended Day/Year, Young Farmers, and Youth Camps. *[Extended Day/Year] (S:The $1,058,282 appropriated for Youth Camps is solely appropriated for Youth Camps and for no other purposes, and if the camps are not held then the funds shall be returned to the State Treasury.)****(CC:Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the Area Teacher Program, Extended Day/Year, Young Farmers, and Youth Camps.)*** | 505,727 | 505,727 | 589,272 | 589,272 | 589,272 | 589,272 | 0 | 0 | 589,272 | 589,272 |
| **24.2** | **134.100** | **Business and Finance Administration** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Business and Finance Administration]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 46,290 | 46,290 |
| **24.3** | **135.100** | **Central Office** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 46,290 | 46,290 |

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| | | than $80,000.*[Central Office]* | | | | | | | | | |
| **24.4** | **136.100** | **Charter Schools** | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Charter Schools]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 2,153 | 2,153 |
| **24.6** | **138.100** | **Curriculum Development** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Curriculum Development]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |
| 24.6.2. | 138.1 | Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to grants for Computer Science Professional Development.*[Curriculum Development Administration]* | - | - | - | - | 93,500 | 93,500 | 93,500 | 93,500 | 60,775 | 60,775 |
| **24.8** | **140.100** | **Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.8.2. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to school-based employees.*[Severely Emotional Disturbed (SED)]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.9** | **141.100** | **Georgia Virtual School** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Virtual School]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 48,443 | 48,443 |
| 24.9.2. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to school-based employees.*[Georgia Virtual School]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.10** | **142.100** | **Information Technology Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Information Technology Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 27,989 | 27,989 |

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| **24.11** | **143.100** | **Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.11.2. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to school-based employees at Residential Treatment Facilities.*[Residential Treatment Centers]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.12** | **144.100** | **Nutrition** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.12.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Nutrition]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 47,366 | 47,366 |
| 24.12.2. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to school nutrition staff.*[Nutrition Grants]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.13** | **145.100** | **Preschool Disabilities Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.13.2. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to school-based employees.*[Preschool Disabilities Services]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.14** | **146.100** | **Pupil Transportation** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.14.1. | 146.1 | Provide funds for 500 school buses statewide.*[Pupil Transportation Grants]* *(S:Increase funds for 513 school buses statewide.)****(CC:Increase funds for 520 school buses statewide.)*** | - | - | 38,610,000 | 38,610,000 | 39,613,860 | 39,613,860 | 1,003,860 | 1,003,860 | 40,154,400 | 40,154,400 |
| 24.14.2. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to bus drivers.*[Pupil Transportation Grants]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.17** | **149.100** | **Quality Basic Education Program** | | | | | | | | | | |

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| 24.17.7. | 149.7 | Increase funds to reflect growth in the Special Needs Scholarship.*[Special Needs Scholarship] (S:Increase funds so that parents or guardians financially responsible for the students enrolled in the Special Needs Scholarship Program shall be refunded an amount equal to the amount refunded in the state austerity restoration in the 4th Quarter of payments.)****(CC:Increase funds to reflect the growth in the Special Needs Scholarship ($2,598,671) and reduce funds (($698,671)) based on actual expenditures for Quarters 1-3.)*** | - | - | 2,598,671 | 2,598,671 | 1,900,000 | 1,900,000 | (698,671) | (698,671) | 1,900,000 | 1,900,000 |
| 24.17.8. | 149.8 | Provide a hold harmless to Harriet Tubman School of Science and Technology, Delta STEAM Academy, Atlanta Unbound Academy, and Yi Hwang Academy of Language Excellence for a decline in elementary school enrollment.*[State Special Charter Schools Supplement] (S:Yes; Provide one-time start-up grants for COVID-19 related impacts for first year state commission charter schools.)****(CC:Yes; Reflect use of $757,028 in federal funds for first-year state charter schools serving elementary school populations with declining enrollment to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.)*** | - | - | 600,000 | 600,000 | 0 | 0 | (600,000) | (600,000) | 0 | 0 |
| 24.17.9. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to teachers, paraprofessionals, school counselors, school psychologists, school nurses, custodians, media specialists, clerical staff and administrative assistants, school principals, assistant principals, instructional coaches, therapists, and other school-based employees.*[Additional Instruction]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| **24.18** | **150.100** | **Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.18.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 137,792 | 137,792 |
| **24.19** | **151.100** | **School Improvement** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.19.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[School Improvement]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 43,060 | 43,060 |
| **24.20** | **152.100** | **State Charter School Commission Administration** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.20.2. | New | Utilize $2,153 in other funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[State Charter School Commission Administration]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.21** | **153.100** | **State Schools** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.21.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[State Schools]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 8,612 | 8,612 |
| 24.21.3. | New | Recognize CARES Act funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to school-based employees.*[Administration ]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **24.22** | **154.100** | **Technology/Career Education** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.22.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Technology/Career Education]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 10,765 | 10,765 |
| **24.23** | **155.100** | **Testing** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 24.23.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Testing]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |

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| 24.23.2. | 155.1 | Increase funds to administer Georgia Milestones in accordance with federal requirements.*[State Mandated] (S:No)****(CC:Increase funds to administer Georgia Milestones in accordance with federal requirements and lapse funds should testing not occur due to COVID-19 pandemic.)*** | 5,366,103 | 5,366,103 | 5,366,103 | 5,366,103 | 0 | 0 | (5,366,103) | (5,366,103) | 5,366,103 | 5,366,103 |
| 24.23.3. | 155.2 | Increase funds to revise testing standards to align with curriculum changes for Math and English in accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).*[State Mandated] (S:No)****(CC:Increase funds for alignment of testing standards with curriculum changes for Math and English in accordance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).)*** | 1,163,364 | 1,163,364 | 1,163,364 | 1,163,364 | 0 | 0 | (1,163,364) | (1,163,364) | 1,163,364 | 1,163,364 |
| 24.23.4. | 155.3 | Increase funds for the PSAT and AP exams.*[State Mandated] (S:Increase funds for AP exams, maintain $3,734,130 for AP exams for one non-STEM AP exam for low-income students and one AP STEM exam for every student taking an AP STEM course, and maintain existing funds of $1,190,000 for PSAT exams.)****(CC:Increase funds for AP exams, maintain $3,734,130 for AP exams for one non-STEM AP exam for low-income students and one AP STEM exam for every student taking an AP STEM course, and maintain existing funds of $1,190,000 for PSAT exams.)*** | 362,641 | 362,641 | 362,641 | 362,641 | 8,580 | 8,580 | (354,061) | (354,061) | 8,580 | 8,580 |

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| 24.23.5. | 155.4 | Increase funds to administer grants to local systems for developing the GMAP and Navvy assessment pilots from SB 362 (2018 Session) and authorized under the federal waiver.*[State Mandated]* ***(CC:Increase funds to administer reimbursable grants to local systems for developing the GMAP and Navvy assessment pilots from SB 362 (2018 Session) and authorized under the federal waiver.)*** | - | - | - | - | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 | 500,000 |
| **Section 25: Employees' Retirement System of Georgia** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **25.4** | **160.100** | **System Administration (ERS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 25.4.1. | New | Utilize $75,355 in other funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[System Administration (ERS)]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Section 26: Forestry Commission, State** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **26.1** | **161.100** | **Commission Administration (SFC)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 26.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Commission Administration (SFC)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 35,525 | 35,525 |
| **26.2** | **162.100** | **Forest Management** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 26.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Forest Management]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 91,503 | 91,503 |
| **26.3** | **163.100** | **Forest Protection** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 26.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Forest Protection]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 445,671 | 445,671 |
| **26.4** | **164.100** | **Tree Seedling Nursery** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 26.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |

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| | | than $80,000.*[Tree Seedling Nursery]* | | | | | | | | |
| **Section 27: Governor, Office of the** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **27.1** | **165.100** | **Governor's Emergency Fund** | | | | | | | | |
| 27.1.1. | 165.1 | Increase funds.*[Governor's Emergency Fund]* | - | - | - | - | 7,500,000 | 7,500,000 | 7,500,000 | 7,500,000 | 4,000,000 | 4,000,000 |
| **27.2** | **166.100** | **Governor's Office** | | | | | | | | |
| 27.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Governor's Office]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 18,301 | 18,301 |
| **27.3** | **167.100** | **Governor's Office of Planning and Budget** | | | | | | | | |
| 27.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Governor's Office of Planning and Budget]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 29,066 | 29,066 |
| **27.4** | **168.100** | **Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity** | | | | | | | | |
| 27.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Commission on Equal Opportunity]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| **27.5** | **169.100** | **Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency** | | | | | | | | |
| 27.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 163,628 | 163,628 |
| **27.6** | **170.100** | **Georgia Professional Standards Commission** | | | | | | | | |
| 27.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Professional Standards Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 62,437 | 62,437 |
| **27.7** | **171.100** | **Governor's Office of Student Achievement** | | | | | | | | |

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| 27.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Governor's Office of Student Achievement]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 15,071 | 15,071 |
| 27.7.2. | 171.1 | Provide funds for GA*AWARDS contract.*[Governor's Office of Student Achievement] (S:Increase funds for the first year of the three-year GA*AWARDS contract.)****(CC:Provide funds for GA*AWARDS contract.)*** | - | - | 900,000 | 900,000 | 300,000 | 300,000 | (600,000) | (600,000) | 900,000 | 900,000 |
| 27.7.3. | 171.2 | Provide funds for the Governor's Honors program.*[Governor's Office of Student Achievement] (S:No; Due to the uncertainty of a summer residential program occurring during the COVID-19 pandemic, any additional funding needs for the 2021 Governor's Honors Program shall be funded in the Amended FY 2022 budget.)****(CC:Provide funds for the Governor's Honors program.)*** | - | - | 68,000 | 68,000 | 0 | 0 | (68,000) | (68,000) | 68,000 | 68,000 |
| **27.8** | **172.100** | **Office of the Child Advocate** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 27.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of the Child Advocate]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 4,306 | 4,306 |
| **27.9** | **173.100** | **Office of the State Inspector General** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 27.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of the State Inspector General]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
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| **Section 28: Human Services, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **28.1** | **174.100** | **Adoptions Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Adoptions Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 31,219 | 31,219 |

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| **28.3** | **176.100** | **Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| **28.4** | **177.100** | **Child Support Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child Support Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1,129,249 | 1,129,249 |
| **28.5** | **178.100** | **Child Welfare Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Child Welfare Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,434,035 | 3,434,035 |
| **28.7** | **180.100** | **Departmental Administration (DHS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DHS)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 439,212 | 439,212 |
| **28.8** | **181.100** | **Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 319,721 | 319,721 |
| **28.9** | **182.100** | **Elder Community Living Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Elder Community Living Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| **28.10** | **183.100** | **Elder Support Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 28.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Elder Support Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 20,454 | 20,454 |

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| **28.12** | **185.100** | **Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 28.12.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Federal Eligibility Benefit Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,279,020 | 3,279,020 |
| **28.15** | **188.100** | **Residential Child Care Licensing** | | | | | | | | |
| 28.15.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Residential Child Care Licensing]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 27,989 | 27,989 |
| **28.18** | **191.100** | **Council On Aging** | | | | | | | | |
| 28.18.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Council On Aging]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **28.20** | **193.100** | **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** | | | | | | | | |
| 28.20.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 16,148 | 16,148 |
| **28.21** | **194.100** | **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration** | | | | | | | | |
| 28.21.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 65,667 | 65,667 |
| **28.24** | **197.100** | **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** | | | | | | | | |
| 28.24.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 581,310 | 581,310 |

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| **Section 29: Insurance, Office of the Commissioner of** | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **29.1** | **199.100** | **Departmental Administration (COI)** | | | | | | | | | |
| 29.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (COI)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| 29.1.3. | 199.99 | Reflect a change in the program purpose statement.*[Departmental Administration (COI)] (S:Yes)****(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **29.2** | **200.100** | **Enforcement** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Enforcement]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| 29.2.2. | 200.99 | Reflect a change in the program purpose statement.*[Enforcement] (S:Yes)****(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **29.3** | **201.100** | **Fire Safety** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Fire Safety]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 86,120 | 86,120 |
| 29.3.4. | 201.99 | Reflect a change in the program purpose statement.*[Fire Safety] (S:Yes)****(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **29.4** | **202.100** | **Insurance Regulation** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Insurance Regulation]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 49,519 | 49,519 |
| **29.5** | **203.100** | **Special Fraud** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 29.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Special Fraud]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |

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| **Section 30: Investigation, Georgia Bureau of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **30.1** | **204.100** | **Bureau Administration** | | | | | | | | |
| 30.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Bureau Administration]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 32,295 | 32,295 |
| **30.2** | **205.100** | **Criminal Justice Information Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 30.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Criminal Justice Information Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 90,426 | 90,426 |
| **30.3** | **206.100** | **Forensic Scientific Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 30.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Forensic Scientific Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 266,972 | 266,972 |
| **30.4** | **207.100** | **Regional Investigative Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 30.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Regional Investigative Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 294,961 | 294,961 |
| **30.5** | **208.100** | **Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** | | | | | | | | |
| 30.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Criminal Justice Coordinating Council]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 139,945 | 139,945 |
| **30.6** | **209.100** | **Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** | | | | | | | | |
| 30.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3,230 | 3,230 |

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| **30.7** | **210.100** | **Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** | | | | | | | | | |
| 30.7.2. | 210.2 | Increase funds for domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers.*[Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence]* | - | - | - | - | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 455,000 | 455,000 |
| **Section 31: Juvenile Justice, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **31.1** | **211.100** | **Community Service** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Community Service]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 793,381 | 793,381 |
| **31.2** | **212.100** | **Departmental Administration (DJJ)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DJJ)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 153,940 | 153,940 |
| **31.3** | **213.100** | **Secure Commitment (YDCs)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Secure Commitment (YDCs)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 650,206 | 650,206 |
| **31.4** | **214.100** | **Secure Detention (RYDCs)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 31.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Secure Detention (RYDCs)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 1,138,937 | 1,138,937 |
| **Section 32: Labor, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **32.1** | **215.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOL)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 32.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DOL)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 123,798 | 123,798 |

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| **32.2** | **215.101** | **Departmental Administration (DOL) - Special Project** | | | | | | | | | |
| 32.2.1. | 215.101 | The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*[Departmental Administration (DOL) - Special Project]* ***(CC:The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer and operating expenses, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.)*** | - | - | - | - | 49,729 | 49,729 | 49,729 | 49,729 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| **32.3** | **216.100** | **Labor Market Information** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 32.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Labor Market Information]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 24,760 | 24,760 |
| **32.4** | **217.100** | **Unemployment Insurance** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 32.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Unemployment Insurance]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 312,185 | 312,185 |
| 32.4.2. | 217.1 | Reflect the continued use of federal funds for the Unemployment Insurance Program ($31,964,147), the Short-Time Compensation Program ($3,188,424), and the Dislocated Worker Program ($25,294,837) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic.*[Benefits] (H & S:Yes)****(CC:Yes; Reflect the continued use of federal funds for the Unemployment Insurance Program ($31,964,147) and the Short-Time Compensation Program ($3,188,424) to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic.)*** | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| **32.5** | **218.100** | **Workforce Solutions** | | | | | | | | |
| 32.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Workforce Solutions]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 526,409 | 526,409 |
| **Section 33: Law, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **33.1** | **219.100** | **Department of Law** | | | | | | | | |
| 33.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Department of Law]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 169,011 | 169,011 |
| **33.2** | **220.100** | **Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** | | | | | | | | |
| 33.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Medicaid Fraud Control Unit]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 43,060 | 43,060 |
| **Section 34: Natural Resources, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **34.1** | **221.100** | **Coastal Resources** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Coastal Resources]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 62,437 | 62,437 |
| **34.2** | **222.100** | **Departmental Administration (DNR)** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DNR)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 55,978 | 55,978 |
| **34.3** | **223.100** | **Environmental Protection** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Environmental Protection]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 670,660 | 670,660 |

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| **34.5** | **225.100** | **Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.5.1. | New | Increase funds for remediation of environmental hazards at county courthouses.*[Hazardous Waste Trust Fund]* ***(CC:Increase funds for remediation of environmental hazards at county courthouses and match local funds.)*** | - | - | - | - | 350,000 | 350,000 | 350,000 | 350,000 | 700,000 | 700,000 |
| **34.6** | **226.100** | **Law Enforcement** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Law Enforcement]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 219,606 | 219,606 |
| **34.7** | **227.100** | **Parks Recreation and Historic Sites** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Parks Recreation and Historic Sites]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 319,721 | 319,721 |
| 34.7.2. | 227.1 | Increase funds for historic site grants.*[Park Operations]* | - | - | - | - | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 |
| **34.9** | **229.100** | **Wildlife Resources** | | | | | | | | |
| 34.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Wildlife Resources]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 384,311 | 384,311 |
| **Section 35: Pardons and Paroles, State Board of** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **35.1** | **230.100** | **Board Administration (SBPP)** | | | | | | | | |
| 35.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Board Administration (SBPP)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| **35.2** | **231.100** | **Clemency Decisions** | | | | | | | | |
| 35.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Clemency Decisions]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 147,481 | 147,481 |

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| **35.3** | **232.100** | **Victim Services** | | | | | | | | | |
| 35.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Victim Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| **Section 36: State Properties Commission** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **36.1** | **233.100** | **State Properties Commission** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 36.1.1. | 233.1 | Provide funds to perform a property assessment to maximize space utilization of state-owned and rented properties.*[State Properties Commission]* ***(CC:Provide funds to perform a property assessment to maximize space utilization of state-owned and rented properties and submit a report to the chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees as well as the chairs of the House State Properties Committee and the Senate State Institutions and Property Committee.)*** | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 | 0 | 0 | 1,000,000 | 1,000,000 |
| **Section 37: Public Defender Council, Georgia** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **37.1** | **234.100** | **Public Defender Council** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Public Defender Council]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 43,060 | 43,060 |
| **37.2** | **235.100** | **Public Defenders** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 37.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Public Defenders]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 617,911 | 617,911 |
| **Section 38: Public Health, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **38.1** | **236.100** | **Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Adolescent* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 51,672 | 51,672 |

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| | | *and Adult Health Promotion]* | | | | | | | | |
| **38.2** | **237.100** | **Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 38.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Adult Essential Health Treatment Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| **38.3** | **238.100** | **Departmental Administration (DPH)** | | | | | | | | |
| 38.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DPH)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 110,880 | 110,880 |
| 38.3.2. | 238.1 | Provide funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, and a chief data officer to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership.*[Departmental Administration (DPH)] (S:Increase funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, a chief data officer, a senior programmer, and a financial manager to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership.)****(CC:Increase funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, a chief data officer, a senior programmer, and a financial manager to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership.)*** | - | - | 285,997 | 285,997 | 485,997 | 485,997 | 200,000 | 200,000 | 485,997 | 485,997 |

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| **38.4** | **239.100** | **Emergency Preparedness/Trauma System Improvement** | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Emergency Preparedness/Trauma System Improvement]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 106,574 | 106,574 |
| **38.5** | **240.100** | **Epidemiology** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Epidemiology]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 85,044 | 85,044 |
| 38.5.2. | 240.1 | Provide funds to replace and modernize the public health surveillance system to improve current COVID-19 pandemic response as well as future epidemiologic surveillance capacity.*[Epidemiology] (S:Increase funds to replace and modernize the public health surveillance system to improve current COVID-19 pandemic response as well as future epidemiologic surveillance capacity and redirect $11,100,000 in 5-year issued bonds from 2016 and 2017 for the Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB 76, Bond #355.341 and HB 751, Bond #66) to be used for the implementation of an new vaccine management system.)****(CC:Increase funds to replace and modernize the public health surveillance system to improve current COVID-19 pandemic response as well as future epidemiologic surveillance capacity and redirect $11,100,000 in 5-year issued bonds from 2016 and 2017 for the Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB 76, Bond #355.341 and HB 751, Bond #66) to be used for the implementation of an new vaccine management system.)*** | - | - | 18,000,000 | 18,000,000 | 16,000,000 | 27,100,000 | (2,000,000) | 9,100,000 | 16,000,000 | 27,100,000 |

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| **38.6** | **241.100** | **Immunization** | | | | | | | | |
| 38.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Immunization]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 40,907 | 40,907 |
| **38.7** | **242.100** | **Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 22,607 | 22,607 |
| **38.8** | **243.100** | **Infant and Child Health Promotion** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Infant and Child Health Promotion]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 127,027 | 127,027 |
| **38.9** | **244.100** | **Infectious Disease Control** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Infectious Disease Control]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 204,535 | 204,535 |
| **38.10** | **245.100** | **Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 32,295 | 32,295 |
| **38.11** | **246.100** | **Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.11.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Public Health Formula Grants to Counties]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 4,044,411 | 4,044,411 |
| **38.12** | **247.100** | **Vital Records** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.12.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 47,366 | 47,366 |

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| | | than $80,000.*[Vital Records]* | | | | | | | | | |
| **38.14** | **249.100** | **Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** | | | | | | | | | |
| 38.14.2. | 249.1 | Increase funds to reflect fireworks excise tax revenue collections.*[Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission]* | 458,575 | 458,575 | 458,575 | 458,575 | 543,744 | 543,744 | 85,169 | 85,169 | 543,744 | 543,744 |
| **Section 39: Public Safety, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **39.1** | **250.100** | **Aviation** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Aviation]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 16,148 | 16,148 |
| 39.1.2. | 250.1 | Increase funds for education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*[Aviation]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 45,360 | 45,360 | 45,360 | 45,360 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.1.3. | 250.2 | Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Aviation]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 2,269 | 2,269 | 2,269 | 2,269 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.1.4. | 250.3 | Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Aviation]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 2,260 | 2,260 | 2,260 | 2,260 | 0 | 0 |
| **39.2** | **251.100** | **Capitol Police Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Capitol Police Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 65,667 | 65,667 |
| 39.2.2. | 251.1 | Utilize existing funds ($48,600) for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*[Capitol Police Services] (S:Yes)****(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.2.3. | 251.2 | Utilize existing funds ($5,120) to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Capitol Police Services] (S:Yes)****(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| 39.2.4. | 251.3 | Utilize existing funds ($1,169) for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Capitol Police Services] (S:Yes)****(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **39.3** | **252.100** | **Departmental Administration (DPS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DPS)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 55,978 | 55,978 |
| 39.3.2. | 252.1 | Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*[Departmental Administration (DPS)]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 61,560 | 61,560 | 61,560 | 61,560 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.3.3. | 252.2 | Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Departmental Administration (DPS)]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 3,542 | 3,542 | 3,542 | 3,542 | 0 | 0 |
| **39.4** | **253.100** | **Field Offices and Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Field Offices and Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 968,850 | 968,850 |
| 39.4.4. | 253.3 | Reduce funds to reflect the decrease in the number of trooper schools for FY 2021.*[Field Offices and Services] (S:Reduce funds and redirect $3,120,402 in funds for recruitment and retention initiatives for sworn and civilian employees.)****(CC:Reduce funds to reflect the decrease in the number of trooper schools for FY 2021.)*** | - | - | (4,000,000) | (4,000,000) | (3,950,000) | (3,950,000) | 50,000 | 50,000 | (1,500,000) | (1,500,000) |
| 39.4.5. | 253.4 | Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*[Field Offices and Services]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 2,454,300 | 2,454,300 | 2,454,300 | 2,454,300 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.4.6. | 253.5 | Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Field Offices and Services]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 145,610 | 145,610 | 145,610 | 145,610 | 0 | 0 |

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| 39.4.7. | 253.6 | Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Field Offices and Services]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 56,844 | 56,844 | 56,844 | 56,844 | 0 | 0 |
| **39.5** | **254.100** | **Motor Carrier Compliance** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Motor Carrier Compliance]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 332,639 | 332,639 |
| 39.5.2. | 254.1 | Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*[Motor Carrier Compliance]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 257,580 | 257,580 | 257,580 | 257,580 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.5.3. | 254.2 | Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Motor Carrier Compliance]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 33,921 | 33,921 | 33,921 | 33,921 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.5.4. | 254.3 | Increase funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Motor Carrier Compliance]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 6,937 | 6,937 | 6,937 | 6,937 | 0 | 0 |
| **39.6** | **255.100** | **Office of Public Safety Officer Support** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of Public Safety Officer Support]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,383 | 5,383 |
| 39.6.2. | 255.1 | Increase funds for an education incentive payment for sworn officers and communications personnel.*[Office of Public Safety Officer Support]* ***(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 50,220 | 50,220 | 50,220 | 50,220 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.6.3. | 255.2 | Utilize existing funds for recruitment and retention of administrative personnel starting April 1, 2021.*[Office of Public Safety Officer Support]* *(S:Yes)****(CC:No)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **39.7** | **256.100** | **Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 8,612 | 8,612 |

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| | | *Firefighter Standards and Training Council]* | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.7.4. | 256.3 | Increase funds for virtual testing resources for firefighter certification and training.*[Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council]* | - | - | - | - | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| **39.8** | **257.100** | **Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 29,066 | 29,066 |
| **39.9** | **258.100** | **Georgia Public Safety Training Center** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Public Safety Training Center]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 185,158 | 185,158 |
| **39.10** | **259.100** | **Office of Highway Safety** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 39.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of Highway Safety]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 24,760 | 24,760 |
| 39.10.2. | 259.1 | Reduce funds for driver's education and training to reflect FY 2020 collections in accordance with Joshua's Law. *[Office of Highway Safety] (S:Reduce funds for driver's education and training.)**(CC:No)*** | (264,256) | (264,256) | (264,256) | (264,256) | (132,128) | (132,128) | 132,128 | 132,128 | 0 | 0 |
| 39.10.3. | 259.2 | Increase funds to restore partial funding for operations.*[Office of Highway Safety]* | - | - | - | - | 17,491 | 17,491 | 17,491 | 17,491 | 17,491 | 17,491 |
| **Section 40: Public Service Commission** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **40.1** | **260.100** | **Commission Administration (PSC)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 40.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Commission Administration (PSC)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 8,612 | 8,612 |

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| **40.2** | **261.100** | **Facility Protection** | | | | | | | | | |
| 40.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Facility Protection]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 17,224 | 17,224 |
| **40.3** | **262.100** | **Utilities Regulation** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 40.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Utilities Regulation]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 30,142 | 30,142 |
| **Section 41: Regents, University System of Georgia Board of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **41.1** | **263.100** | **Agricultural Experiment Station** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 41.1.3. | 263.2 | Provide funds for operations.*[Ag. Exp. Station - Animal Products] (S:Increase funds and reflect anticipated delay in start dates for new hires.)****(CC:Provide funds for operations.)*** | - | - | 1,996,076 | 1,996,076 | 1,871,076 | 1,871,076 | (125,000) | (125,000) | 1,996,076 | 1,996,076 |
| **41.3** | **265.100** | **Cooperative Extension Service** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 41.3.3. | 265.2 | Provide funds for operations.*[Cooperative Extension Service - 4 H Youth Development] (S:Provide funds and reflect anticipated delay in start dates for new hires.)****(CC:Provide funds for operations.)*** | - | - | 1,455,263 | 1,455,263 | 1,330,263 | 1,330,263 | (125,000) | (125,000) | 1,455,263 | 1,455,263 |
| **41.8** | **270.100** | **Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 41.8.1. | 270.1 | Provide funds for a rural coding pilot and associated start-up expenses.*[Cyber Innovation and Training Center]* | - | - | - | - | 197,000 | 197,000 | 197,000 | 197,000 | 197,000 | 197,000 |
| **41.14** | **276.100** | **Public Libraries** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 41.14.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Public Libraries]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 293,885 | 293,885 |
| 41.14.2. | 276.1 | Increase funds for materials grants by five cents from $0.35 to $0.40 per capita.*[Public Libraries - state grants to public libraries]* ***(CC:Provide funds to temporarily increase*** | - | - | - | - | 539,170 | 539,170 | 539,170 | 539,170 | 539,170 | 539,170 |

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| | | ***materials grants by five cents from $0.35 to $0.40 per capita.)*** | | | | | | | |
| **41.21** | **283.100** | **Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** | | | | | | | |
| 41.21.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 2,153 | 2,153 |
| **41.23** | **285.100** | **Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** | | | | | | | |
| 41.23.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 54,927 | 54,927 |
| **41.24** | **286.100** | **Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** | | | | | | | |
| 41.24.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 81,814 | 81,814 |
| **Section 42: Revenue, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **42.1** | **287.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOR)** | | | | | | | |
| 42.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DOR)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 45,213 | 45,213 |
| **42.3** | **289.100** | **Industry Regulation** | | | | | | | |
| 42.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Industry Regulation]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 62,437 | 62,437 |

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| 42.3.2. | 289.1 | Increase funds for one advanced auditor and associated expenses, and five contractors to provide regulations of the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB 375, 2020 Session). *[Law Enforcement]* ***(CC:Increase funds for one tax examiner, three call center contractors, and one-time expenses to provide regulations of the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB 375, 2020 Session).)*** | 86,175 | 86,175 | 86,175 | 86,175 | 86,175 | 86,175 | 0 | 0 | 114,676 | 114,676 |
| **42.4** | **290.100** | **Local Government Services** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Local Government Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 40,907 | 40,907 |
| **42.6** | **292.100** | **Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 113,033 | 113,033 |
| **42.7** | **293.100** | **Office of Special Investigations** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42.7.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office of Special Investigations]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 31,219 | 31,219 |
| **42.8** | **294.100** | **Tax Compliance** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Tax Compliance]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 360,628 | 360,628 |
| **42.9** | **295.100** | **Tax Policy** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 42.9.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Tax Policy]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 15,071 | 15,071 |

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| **42.10** | **296.100** | **Taxpayer Services** | | | | | | | | | |
| 42.10.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Taxpayer Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 164,705 | 164,705 |
| **Section 43: Secretary of State** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **43.1** | **297.100** | **Corporations** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 43.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Corporations]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 36,601 | 36,601 |
| **43.2** | **298.100** | **Elections** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 43.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Elections]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |
| **43.3** | **299.100** | **Investigations** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 43.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Investigations]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 38,754 | 38,754 |
| **43.4** | **300.100** | **Office Administration (SOS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 43.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Office Administration (SOS)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 15,071 | 15,071 |
| **43.5** | **301.100** | **Professional Licensing Boards** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 43.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Professional Licensing Boards]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 102,268 | 102,268 |
| 43.5.2. | 301.1 | Increase funds for the Georgia Board of Nursing to issue temporary permits to practice nursing for the sole purpose of administering the COVID-19 vaccine and monitoring the patient for any adverse reactions in the subsequent observation period pursuant to Executive Order | - | - | - | - | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 |

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| | | 01.22.21.07.*[Professional Licensing Boards]* | | | | | | | | |
| **43.6** | **302.100** | **Securities** | | | | | | | | |
| 43.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Securities]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 6,459 | 6,459 |
| **43.7** | **303.100** | **Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** | | | | | | | | |
| 43.7.1. | 303.1 | Provide funds for IT contracts and a virtual call center.*[Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission]* ***(CC:Provide funds for an attorney, IT contracts, a virtual call center, and other program expenses.)*** | - | - | 50,345 | 50,345 | 50,345 | 50,345 | 0 | 0 | 127,137 | 127,137 |
| **43.8** | **304.100** | **Real Estate Commission** | | | | | | | | |
| 43.8.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Real Estate Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |
| **Section 44: Student Finance Commission, Georgia** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **44.1** | **305.100** | **Commission Administration (GSFC)** | | | | | | | | |
| 44.1.1. | New | Increase lottery funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Commission Administration (GSFC)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 88,273 | 88,273 |
| **44.2** | **306.100** | **Dual Enrollment** | | | | | | | | |
| 44.2.1. | 306.1 | Reduce funds for updated projections.*[Dual Enrollment]* | - | - | - | - | (8,035,270) | (8,035,270) | (8,035,270) | (8,035,270) | (7,035,270) | (7,035,270) |
| **44.3** | **307.100** | **Engineer Scholarship** | | | | | | | | |
| 44.3.1. | 307.1 | Increase funds to meet projected need.*[Engineer Scholarship] (S:Yes; Utilize existing funds to meet the projected need.)****(CC:Increase funds to meet projected need.)*** | - | - | 192,500 | 192,500 | 0 | 0 | (192,500) | (192,500) | 192,500 | 192,500 |
| **44.7** | **311.100** | **HOPE Grant** | | | | | | | | |
| 44.7.1. | New | Reduce funds for updated projections.*[HOPE Grant]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | (138,869) | (138,869) |

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| **44.17** | **321.100** | **Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** | | | | | | | | |
| 44.17.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 7,536 | 7,536 |
| **Section 45: Teachers Retirement System** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **45.2** | **323.100** | **System Administration (TRS)** | | | | | | | | |
| 45.2.1. | New | Utilize $118,415 in other funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[System Administration (TRS)]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Section 46: Technical College System of Georgia** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **46.1** | **324.100** | **Adult Education** | | | | | | | | |
| 46.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Adult Education]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |
| **46.2** | **325.100** | **Departmental Administration (TCSG)** | | | | | | | | |
| 46.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (TCSG)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 37,678 | 37,678 |
| **46.3** | **326.100** | **Economic Development and Customized Services** | | | | | | | | |
| 46.3.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Economic Development and Customized Services]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 3,230 | 3,230 |
| **46.5** | **328.100** | **Quick Start** | | | | | | | | |
| 46.5.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Quick Start]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 39,831 | 39,831 |

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| **46.6** | **329.100** | **Technical Education** | | | | | | | | | |
| 46.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Technical Education]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 5,736,669 | 5,736,669 |
| **Section 47: Transportation, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **47.1** | **330.100** | **Capital Construction Projects** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.1.1. | 330.1 | Increase funds for additional construction projects.*[Capital Construction Projects]* | 52,666,681 | 52,666,681 | 52,666,681 | 52,666,681 | 144,907,557 | 144,907,557 | 92,240,876 | 92,240,876 | 144,907,557 | 144,907,557 |
| **47.2** | **331.100** | **Capital Maintenance Projects** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.2.1. | 331.1 | Increase funds for additional resurfacing.*[Capital Maintenance Projects] (S:Reduce funds and recognize $92,240,876 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA).)****(CC:Reduce funds and recognize $92,240,876 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA).)*** | 95,600,000 | 95,600,000 | 77,421,136 | 77,421,136 | (14,819,740) | (14,819,740) | (92,240,876) | (92,240,876) | (14,819,740) | (14,819,740) |
| **47.3** | **332.100** | **Construction Administration** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.3.2. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($1,073,271) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Capital Construction & Improvement]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **47.4** | **333.100** | **Data Collection, Compliance, and Reporting** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.4.1. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($25,836) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Data Collection Compliance and Reporting]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **47.5** | **334.100** | **Departmental Administration (DOT)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.5.2. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($364,934) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| | | with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Administration]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | | | | | | | | |
| **47.6** | **335.100** | **Intermodal** | | | | | | | | |
| 47.6.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Intermodal]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 19,377 | 19,377 |
| 47.6.3. | 335.2 | Increase funds for Airport Aid.*[Airport Aid]* | - | - | - | - | 203,461 | 203,461 | 203,461 | 203,461 | 577,411 | 577,411 |
| **47.9** | **338.100** | **Planning** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.9.1. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($21,530) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Planning]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **47.10** | **339.100** | **Routine Maintenance** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.10.2. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($1,765,460) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Bridges and Roadways]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **47.11** | **340.100** | **Traffic Management and Control** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.11.1. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($342,327) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Traffic Management]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **47.13** | **341.100** | **Payments to State Road and Tollway Authority** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 47.13.1. | New | Utilize existing motor fuel funds ($65,667) to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Payments to State Road and Tollway Authority]* ***(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| **Section 48: Veterans Service, Department of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **48.1** | **342.100** | **Departmental Administration (DVS)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 48.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 12,918 | 12,918 |

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| | | $80,000.*[Departmental Administration (DVS)]* | | | | | | | | | |
| **48.2** | **343.100** | **Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** | | | | | | | | | |
| 48.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 13,995 | 13,995 |
| **48.4** | **345.100** | **Veterans Benefits** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 48.4.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Veterans Benefits]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 122,721 | 122,721 |
| **Section 49: Workers' Compensation, State Board of** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **49.1** | **346.100** | **Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 49.1.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 73,202 | 73,202 |
| **49.2** | **347.100** | **Board Administration (SBWC)** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 49.2.1. | New | [S] Increase funds to provide a one-time salary supplement of $1,000 to full-time state employees with current salaries less than $80,000.*[Board Administration (SBWC)]* | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 11,842 | 11,842 |
| **Section 50: Georgia General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund** | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **50.1** | **348.100** | **GO Bonds Issued** | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50.1.1. | 348.3 | Redirect $4,800,000 in 5-year issued bonds from FY 2017 for the implementation of a new Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB 751, Bond #66) to be used for the implementation of a new vaccination management system.*[GO Bonds Issued] (S:Yes)****(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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| 50.1.3. | 348.4 | Redirect $6,300,000 in 5-year issued bonds from FY 2016 for the implementation of a new Clinical Billing Information Technology System (HB 76, Bond #355.341) to be used for the implementation of a new vaccination management system.*[GO Bonds Issued] (S:Yes)****(CC:Yes)*** | - | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 50.1.5. | 348.5 | Increase funds for debt service.*[GO Bonds Issued]* | - | - | - | - | 472,636 | 472,636 | 472,636 | 472,636 | 12,268,550 | 12,268,550 |

Senator Tillery of the 19th moved that the Senate agree to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 80.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 80.

Senator Tillery of the 19th moved that HB 80 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 80 was immediately transmitted.

Senator Tillery of the 19th moved that HB 80 be immediately transmitted to the Governor.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |

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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 49, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate ordered HB 80 be immediately transmitted to the Governor.

Senator Jackson of the 2nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 10th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

The Calendar was resumed.

SB 86. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Payne of the 54th, Hickman of the 4th, Albers of the 56th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |

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| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 3.

SB 86, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 33. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding torts, so as to provide a cause of action against perpetrators for victims of human trafficking; to provide for definitions; to provide a cause of action against certain perpetrators of human trafficking by the Attorney General on behalf of the state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 33, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 32. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Robertson of the 29th, Burke of the 11th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure not required, so as to exempt certain personal records of state and federal employees from public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 32:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure not required, so as to exempt certain personal records of state and federal employees from public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure not required, is amended by revising paragraph (21) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(21) Records concerning public employees that reveal the public employee's home address, home telephone number, personal mobile or wireless telephone number, day and month of birth, social security number, insurance ~~or~~ information, medical information, mother's birth name, credit card information, debit card information, bank account information, account number, utility account number, password used to access his or her account, financial data ~~or~~ and information other than compensation by a government agency, unlisted telephone number if so designated in a public

record, and the identity of the public employee's immediate family members or dependents. This paragraph shall not apply to public records that do not specifically identify public employees or their jobs, titles, or offices. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term 'public employee' means any officer, employee, or former employee of:

(A) The State of Georgia or its agencies, departments, or commissions;

(B) Any county or municipality or its agencies, departments, or commissions;

(C) Other political subdivisions of this state;

(D) Teachers in public and charter schools and nonpublic schools; ~~or~~

(E) Early care and education programs administered through the Department of Early Care and Learning; or

(F) The federal government or its agencies, departments, or commissions;"

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
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On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

SB 32, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/11/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 32. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Davenport of the 44th

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/11/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 32. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Merritt of the 9th

SB 34. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to name change, so as to provide that victims of human trafficking may petition for name change under seal; to provide for a definition; to provide for determination by the court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
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| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 34, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

Pursuant to Article III, Section V, Paragraph XIII of the Constitution, the House has ordered immediate transmittal to the Governor the following Bill of the House:

HB 80. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020, and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020, so as to make, provide, and change certain appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to SR 82 until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, February 16, 2021
Seventeenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 67. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, England of the 116th, Knight of the 130th, Smyre of the 135th, Reeves of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding writing off small amounts due to the state; to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 129. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Kelley of the 16th, Hatchett of the 150th, Gaines of the 117th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sheriffs, so as to modify certain provisions regarding the compensation received by certain sheriffs; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 208. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Jasperse of the 11th, Erwin of the 28th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to provide that the second Wednesday of February of each year shall be designated as "National Swearing-in Day" in Georgia; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 246. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Mathis of the 144th and Momtahan of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, so as to increase the fee for issuance of replacement licenses and permits; to increase the fee for the issuance and renewal of limited driving permits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following communication was transmitted by the Secretary:

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**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334**

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February 11, 2021

The Honorable Brian Kemp
Governor of the State of Georgia
Room 201, State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Governor Kemp:

On February 11, 2021, the Senate has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the House:

HB 80 by Representative Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th, and England of the 116th:

A Bill to amend an Act making and providing appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021, known as the "General Appropriations Act," Act No. 404, approved June 30, 2020.

Pursuant to Article III, Section V, Paragraph XIII (b) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia by a vote of 49 yeas, 0 nays, the Senate, on this day, ordered HB 80 be immediately transmitted to the Governor. A copy of the Roll Call is attached.

Respectfully,
/s/ David A. Cook
David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 154. By Senator James of the 35th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property owners' associations, so as to provide for a cap on assessments by property owners' associations for certain lots relative to mortgage costs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 155. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Burke of the 11th, Kennedy of the 18th, Albers of the 56th, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy absorption systems, so as to provide for the failure to wear a safety belt or safety restraints for children as admissible evidence in civil actions; to prohibit the failure to wear a safety belt or safety restraints for children as a basis for cancellation of insurance coverage; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 157. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd, Lucas of the 26th, Butler of the 55th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to prohibit the deceptive practice of musical performance groups advertising and appearing as the recording group without the recording group's permission or denoting that it is a salute or tribute performance; to provide for definitions; to specify violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 158. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Mullis of the 53rd, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Stone Mountain Memorial Association, so as to provide for the creation and erection of the "Let Freedom Ring Monument"; to provide for a committee to facilitate the creation and erection of such monument; to provide for the purpose, membership, and duties of such committee; to provide for reimbursement of expenses; to provide a termination date; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism.

SB 159. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Ginn of the

47th and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 160. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend to amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to change certain provisions relating to the tolling of limitations for tort actions while criminal prosecution is pending; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 161. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Payne of the 54th, Butler of the 55th, Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for inmate policies, so as to require that inmates receive an identification card upon release; to provide for penalties; to provide a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 162. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th and Thompson of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-6-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the number of judges of superior courts, so as to provide for an additional judge of the superior court of the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SB 163. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hatchett of the 50th, Jones II of the 22nd and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 164. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Orrock of the 36th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-11-471, Title 16, and Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, crimes and offenses, and who may perform HIV tests, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of HIV related laws to align with science to ensure that laws and policies support current understanding of best public health practices for preventing and treating HIV, scientific evidence about routes of transmission, and the public health goals of promoting HIV prevention and treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 165. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to exempt fully autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; to provide for compliance; to remove requirement for use of strobe light while operating a low-speed vehicle; to provide for means of operation of vehicle brakes and parking brakes; to revise exhaust system requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SB 166. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to require certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 167. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 41st, Lucas of the 26th, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia, so as to provide for semiannual postretirement benefit adjustments for all beneficiaries of the Employees' Retirement System of Georgia; to provide for conditions, limitations, and suspensions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date, applicability, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SB 168. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 169. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding contracts for public works, Code Section 32-2-70 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bonds of successful bidder, and Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 91 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to

bonds generally, so as to provide for acceptance of electronic signatures and electronic corporate seals on bonds; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 170. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Rahman of the 5th, Merritt of the 9th, Butler of the 55th, Seay of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to require health benefit policies to provide coverage for expenses incurred in home childbirth; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other matters.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 171. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Dugan of the 30th, Harper of the 7th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to crimes and offenses, so as to provide for enhanced penalties for certain offenses committed during an unlawful assembly; to revise the offense of unlawful assembly; to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding public officers and employees; to amend Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to state government, so as to prohibit employment and benefits from governments under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 172. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for the authorization of appropriations for the purposes of obtaining federal financial participation for medical assistance payments to providers of Medicaid expansion under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; to provide for

certain restrictions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SB 173. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 49-4-159 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Medicaid coverage for lactation and postpartum care, so as to require the Department of Community Health to allow mothers giving birth to retain Medicaid eligibility for one year following such birth; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SB 174. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Walker III of the 20th, Cowsert of the 46th and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding bonds and recognizances, so as to authorize appointed judges who are fulfilling a vacancy of an elected judge to issue an unsecured judicial release under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 175. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harper of the 7th, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the submission of certain forms of identification by electors with absentee ballot applications; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 176. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harper of the 7th, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for increased penalties for certain election fraud; to provide that it shall be illegal to knowingly and willfully and without authorization tamper with, alter, destroy, modify, or falsify the electronic data constituting the official returns or votes cast in a primary, election, or runoff or cause the electronic data constituting the official returns or votes cast in a primary, election, or runoff to display incorrectly; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 177. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harper of the 7th, Miller of the 49th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the definition of "absentee elector"; to provide for reasons for voting by absentee ballot; to provide for certain exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 178. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harper of the 7th, Miller of the 49th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that absentee ballot applications shall not be sent by the Secretary of State or by a county or municipal election official to an elector without first receiving a request for such an application from such elector; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 179. By Senators Au of the 48th, Orrock of the 36th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 5 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Brady Law regulations, so as to require universal background checks in all manner of firearm transfers and purchases; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide

for criminal penalties; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 180. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jones of the 25th, Halpern of the 39th and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-9-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permit required, application, issuance, revocation, suspension, or amendment, so as to provide for certain conditions for permits for facilities that emit ethylene oxide; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 181. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 41st, Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th and Merritt of the 9th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to reduce out-of-pocket cost of consumers requiring insulin; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SR 100. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to provide for state-wide grand juries; to provide for the jurisdiction, powers, and duties of state-wide grand juries; to authorize the General Assembly to provide by law for procedures for the summoning and empaneling of state-wide grand juries; to provide for a presiding judge; to provide that the Attorney General or his or her designee shall act as the legal adviser and prosecutor for such state-wide grand juries; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SR 102. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the

47th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 105. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 25th, Harrell of the 40th and Sims of the 12th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Georgia so as to provide that a primary obligation of the State of Georgia is the provision of a quality public education for its citizens; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SR 106. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Parent of the 42nd, Au of the 48th, Harrell of the 40th and Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide that the General Assembly may provide for the allocation of certain funds to, the creation of a continuing fund for, the dedication of specific revenues to, and a program of public funding for campaigns for membership in the General Assembly; to provide for related matters; to correct a numbering issue; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 107. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 41st, Halpern of the 39th, Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Comprehensive Approach to Family Leave Policies within State Government Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 67. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, England of the 116th, Knight of the

130th, Smyre of the 135th, Reeves of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding writing off small amounts due to the state; to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

HB 129. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Kelley of the 16th, Hatchett of the 150th, Gaines of the 117th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sheriffs, so as to modify certain provisions regarding the compensation received by certain sheriffs; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 208. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Jasperse of the 11th, Erwin of the 28th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to provide that the second Wednesday of February of each year shall be designated as "National Swearing-in Day" in Georgia; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

HB 246. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Mathis of the 144th and Momtahan of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, so as to increase the fee for issuance of replacement licenses and permits; to increase the fee for the issuance and renewal of limited driving permits; to provide for related matters; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 103 | Do Pass | HB 162 | Do Pass |
| HB 196 | Do Pass | HB 211 | Do Pass |
| HB 225 | Do Pass | HB 242 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 88

Senator Jones II of the 22nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Kirkpatrick was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 25th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Mullis |
| Anavitarte | Harper | Parent |
| Anderson, L. | Harrell | Payne |
| Au | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Beach | Hickman | Rhett |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Seay |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Gooch | McNeill | Walker |
| Goodman | Merritt | Watson |
| Halpern | Miller | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anderson, T. (Excused) | Dolezal (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Jones, B. (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Butler | Harbison | Lucas |

Senator Lucas of the 26th was off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wished to be recorded as present.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Jackson of the 2nd introduced the chaplain of the day, Bishop Reginald Jackson of Atlanta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 101. By Senator Strickland of the 17th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Red Cross and recognizing March 2021 as Red Cross Month in Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 103. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Irwin County Board of Education Member Gary Paulk upon his retirement from the board and for his 26 years of exemplary service on the Irwin County Board of Education from May 1994 to December 2020; and for other purposes.

SR 104. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Albers of the 56th and Goodman of the 8th:

A RESOLUTION commending and congratulating Chief Mike Jones upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Tuesday February 16, 2021
Seventeenth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 103 Jones of the 25th
**BALDWIN COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the election of members of the board of education of Baldwin County, approved April 3, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 3325), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 6143), so as to revise the compensation of the members of such board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 162 Jones of the 25th
**MORGAN COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Morgan County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved March 29, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 3606), so as to revise provisions for the appointment, terms, and filling of vacancies of board members; to provide for term limits and removal of board members; to revise duties of the board and elections supervisor regarding clerical assistance and poll works; to remove

expired and outdated provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 196 Sims of the 12th
**TERRELL COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Terrell County, approved April 13, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3555), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4100), so as to change the compensation of the members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 211 Summers of the 13th
**ARABI**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Arabi; to provide for incorporation, corporate boundaries, powers, and construction; to provide for pending matters; to provide for construction; to provide for severability; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to provide for a specific repealer; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 225 Burns of the 23rd
**WRENS**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Wrens; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 242 Sims of the 12th
Summers of the 13th
**AMERICUS**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5985), as amended, so as to remove a requirement for city manager; to lengthen the contract term allowed for city manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |
| E Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/16/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on the Local Consent Calendar. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Walker III of the 20th

Senator Jackson of the 2nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbison of the 15th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbison was excused.

Senator Dixon of the 45th asked unanimous consent to remove the confirmation of the Governor's Appointments to various boards, commissions, authorities, and other entities from the Table. There was no objection and the confirmation of the appointments was removed from the Table.

Senator Dixon of the 45th asked unanimous consent that the Senate dispense with the reading of the Governor's Appointments.

There was no objection and the reading of the Governor's Appointments was dispensed with.

Senator Dixon of the 45th moved that the appointments of Julianne C. Busbee from page 4 and Don Anthony Grantham, Jr. from page 6 be removed from the list of appointments.

There was no objection and the names were removed.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on the Governor's Appointments pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

The report of the Committee on Assignments, which was favorable to the confirmation of the Governor's Appointments contingent upon the removal of the Honorable Richard Hyde and the Honorable Bob Barr on page 1, was agreed to.

The President ordered that the Senate vote on the appointments with one roll call vote. No objection was heard and it was so ordered that the Senate proceed to vote on the appointments with one roll call vote.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Governor's Appointments be adopted as submitted with the exception of the Honorable Richard Hyde on page 1, the Honorable Bob Barr on page 1, the Honorable Julianne C. Busbee on page 4, and the Honorable Don Anthony Grantham, Jr. on page 6.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| E Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |

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| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 47, nays 2; the motion prevailed, and the Governor's Appointments were confirmed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2021
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SB 87 | "Senator Jack Hill Veterans' Act"; enact (RULES-33rd) |
| SB 27 | Professional Licenses; extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license; electrical contractor, plumber; (VM&HS-14th) |
| SB 43 | "Noncovered Eye Care Services Act"; enact (Substitute)(I&L-28th) |
| SB 45 | Professions and Businesses; individuals who move to the state and establish residency to obtain a license by endorsement to practice certain professions and occupations in this state; provide (Substitute)(RI&U-14th) |
| SB 53 | Georgia Technology Authority; power and duty to establish standards for state agencies' website design, navigation, and accessibility; provide (Substitute)(S&T-52nd) |

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 87. By Senators Rhett of the 33rd, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Tillery of the 19th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax returns and furnishing of information, so as to authorize Georgia taxpayers to make certain voluntary contributions through the income tax payment and refund process to aid and assist service disabled veterans through a qualified service disabled veterans benefit organization; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions and limitations; to require surety; to provide for the remittance of recovered funds to the general fund; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| E Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 87, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

Feb. 16, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 87. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

SB 27. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Hatchett of the 50th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| E Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

SB 27, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

Feb. 16, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 27. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

SB 43. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, so as to provide that certain actions by health care insurers offering eye care benefit plans constitute unfair trade practices; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 43:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, so as to provide that certain actions by health care insurers offering eye care benefit plans constitute unfair trade practices; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Noncovered Eye Care Services Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, is amended by deleting "or" at the end of paragraph (14.2) and by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(14.3)(A) As used in this paragraph:

(i) 'Covered eye care services' means those health care services and materials related to the care of the eye and related structures and vision care services for which a health care insurer is obligated to pay for or provide to covered persons under an eye care benefit plan, which includes services for which reimbursement is available under such plan, or for which reimbursement would be available but for the application of contractual limitations such as deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, waiting periods, annual or lifetime maximums, frequency limitations, alternative benefit payments, or any other limitation.

(ii) 'Covered person' means any subscriber, enrollee, member, beneficiary, or participant, or his or her dependent, for whom benefits are payable when such person receives eye care services rendered or authorized by an ophthalmologist licensed under Chapter 34 of Title 43 or an optometrist licensed under Chapter 30 of Title 43.

(iii) 'Eye care benefit plan' means any individual or group plan, policy contract, or subscription agreement which includes or is for eye care services that is issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state whether by a health care insurer, health maintenance organization, preferred provider organization, accident and sickness insurer, fraternal benefit society, nonprofit hospital service corporation, nonprofit medical or eye care service corporation, health care plan, or any other person, firm, corporation, joint venture, or other similar business entity that pays for, purchases, or furnishes eye care services to patients, insureds, beneficiaries, or covered dependents in this state.

(iv) 'Health care insurer' or 'insurer' means an entity, including but not limited to insurance companies, health care corporations, health maintenance organizations, and preferred provider organizations, authorized by the state to offer or provide health benefit plans, eye care benefit plans, programs, policies, subscriber contracts, or any other agreements of a similar nature which compensate or indemnify health care providers for furnishing covered eye care or other health care services.

(B) No insurer shall require an ophthalmologist or optometrist to accept as payment an amount set by such insurer for services that are not covered eye care services under the covered person's eye care benefit plan.

(C) No insurer or other person acting as a third-party administrator shall procure providers for any eye care benefit plan that sets ophthalmologist or optometrist fees for any services except covered eye care services.

(D) No insurer shall draft, publish, disseminate, or circulate any explanations of benefit forms that include language that directly or indirectly states or implies that an ophthalmologist or optometrist may or should extend discounts to patients for

noncovered eye care services.

(E) No insurer shall require or encourage an ophthalmologist or optometrist within its provider network to extend any discounts on services that are not covered eye care services; or"

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective July 1, 2021, and shall apply to all policies or contracts issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after such date.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| E Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| E Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 43, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

Feb. 16, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 43. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

SB 45. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of professions and businesses, so as to provide for individuals who move to the state and establish residency to obtain a license by endorsement to practice certain professions and occupations in this state; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to SB 45:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of professions and businesses, so as to provide for individuals who move to the state and establish residency to obtain a license by endorsement to practice certain professions and occupations in this state; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of professions and businesses, is amended by revising Code Section 43-1-34.1, relating to expedited license by endorsement for military spouses, as follows:

"43-1-34.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'License' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(2) 'Military' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(3) 'Other board' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(4) 'Service member' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(5) 'State' means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(6) 'Transitioning service member' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a professional licensing board or other board shall issue an expedited license by endorsement to any individual that:

(1) Is a spouse of a service member or transitioning service member stationed within this state;

(2) Holds a current license to practice such occupation or profession issued by another state for which the training, experience, and testing are substantially similar in qualifications and scope to the requirements under this state to obtain a license;

(3) Is in good standing in such other state; and

(4) Passes any examination that may only be required to demonstrate knowledge of the laws and rules and regulations of this state specific to the practice of the profession, business, or trade for which such expedited license by endorsement is being sought.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a professional licensing board or other board shall issue a license by endorsement to any individual that:

(1) Moves from another state and establishes residency in this state;

(2) Holds a current license to practice such occupation or profession issued by another state that was acquired prior to moving from another state and establishing residency in this state for which the training, experience, and testing are substantially similar in qualifications and scope to the requirements under this state to obtain a license;

(3) Is in good standing in such other state; and

(4) Passes any examination that may only be required to demonstrate knowledge of the laws and rules and regulations of this state specific to the practice of the profession, business, or trade for which such license by endorsement is being sought.

~~(c)~~(d) Nothing contained in this Code section shall be construed to invalidate, override, or amend any licensing compact entered into by the State of Georgia or to permit the issuance of a license without verification under Code Section 50-36-1."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Thompson of the 14th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Dugan of the 30th, Watson of the 1st and others offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities substitute to SB 45 (LC 36 4624S) by replacing line 40 with the following:*
(3) Is in good standing in such other state and is not the subject of an investigation being conducted by a professional licensing board or other board in such other state; and

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Thompson amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Thompson of the 14th, Jordan of the 6th, Watson of the 1st and others offered the following amendment #2:

*Amend the Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities substitute to SB 45(LC 36 4624S) by inserting on line 34 between* "endorsement" *and* "to" *on line 34 the following:*
for any license other than those provided to dentists under Chapter 11 or to physicians or osteopaths under Chapter 34 of this title

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Kirkpatrick amendment #2 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 37, nays 15.

SB 45, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 53. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Albers of the 56th, Butler of the 55th, Hickman of the 4th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Technology Authority, so as to provide such authority with the power and duty to establish standards for state agencies' website design, navigation, and accessibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Science and Technology offered the following substitute to SB 53:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 25 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Technology Authority, so as to provide such authority with the power and duty to establish standards for state agencies' website design, navigation, and accessibility; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 25 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Technology Authority, is amended in subsection (a) of Code Section 50-25-4, relating to general powers, by revising paragraphs (31) and (32) and adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(31) To coordinate the establishment and administration of one or more programs to increase economic, educational, and social opportunities for citizens and businesses through the promotion of the deployment of broadband services and other emerging

communications technologies throughout the state and to exercise any power granted to the authority in Chapter 40 of this title; ~~and~~

(32) To establish and enforce website design, navigation, and accessibility specifications and standards that shall apply to all agency websites as provided under Code Section 50-25-7.14; and

~~(32)~~(33) To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the powers conferred by this chapter."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-25-7.14.

(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'agency' means every state agency, board, bureau, commission, authority, and department, including such departments headed by elected constitutional officers of the state but shall not include any agency within the judicial or legislative branch of state government, the Georgia Department of Defense, or the University System of Georgia.

(b) The authority shall coordinate with all agencies to develop website design, navigation, and accessibility specifications and standards that shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(1) Accessibility for individuals with disabilities in accordance with any applicable state or federal laws;

(2) Consistency with applicable state and federal government security protocols;

(3) Design selections centered around user goals, needs, and behaviors with continual data-driven analysis influencing management and development decisions;

(4) Utilization of technology that creates a more customized digital experience that allows users to complete digital transactions in an efficient and accurate manner; and

(5) Full functionality and usability on common mobile devices."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
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| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 53, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Andrew Reisman, M.D.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 17, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, February 17, 2021
Eighteenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was transmitted by the Secretary:

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February 16, 2021

Honorable Brian Kemp
Governor of Georgia
201 State Capitol
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Dear Governor Kemp:

I have the honor to report to you the actions taken by the Georgia Senate on the appointments submitted by you that require confirmation by the Senate. The following actions were taken on February 16, 2021:

The Honorable Hal Jones of DeKalb County, as the Chairman of Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission, for the term of office beginning 2/25/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2,

and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Patricia Ann Rosenthal of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/2/2020, and ending 3/2/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Myra Tolbert of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Michael Allen Smith of Lowndes County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Aimee Simpson of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kristie Louise Sharp of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Elaine Pritchard of Houston County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Rosla Garrett Plant of Meriwether County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lisa Perry of Colquitt County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ethan Michael Pender of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia

Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable June Sharon O'Neal of Bibb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Paul Harvey Matthews of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Evan Karanovich of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Cynthia Jenkins of Coweta County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable David Andrew Hamilton of Oconee County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jennifer Guynn of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Quinntez Gurndy of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Cayanna Good of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Christy Ellerbee of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kathy Colbenson of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Matthew Mann Campbell of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Semba Brittian of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Commission for Service and Volunteerism, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2020, and ending 3/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Marisa Simpson of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Allen Hodge of Washington County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Carter III of Henry County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 10th District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Garnett Lewis Johnson of Richmond County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 12th District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jay Jerome Wells of Miller County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 2nd District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending

7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Brenton Drew Ellenburg of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development for the 11th District, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mulham Shbeib of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Alton Russell of Muscogee County, as a member of the Board of Corrections, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Duke C. Blackburn of Coweta County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 3, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/4/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jimmie Cason Bowen, Jr. of Tift County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 8, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Nicholas Ayers of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Winburn E. “Brother” Stewart, Jr. of Bibb County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 8, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Delos Yancey of Floyd County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 14, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Alfred “Bill” Jones of Glynn County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 14, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and

ending 8/3/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Patrick Brian Denney of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 3, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William G. Sloan, Jr. of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Anne Cardella of Lowndes County, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kenneth Dyer of Dougherty County, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 6/30/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable John F. Godbee, Jr. of Bulloch County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Foresters, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jesse Walter Johnson of Oglethorpe County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Foresters, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/6/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Robert Sebastian Cowles III of Greene County, as a member of the Board of Public Health, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kathryn Kilpatrick Cheek of Muscogee County, as a member of the Board of Public Health, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable John M. Haupert of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Public Health, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 8/3/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kenneth Eugene Sheppard of Toombs County, as a member of the State Forestry Commission, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 1/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Benjamin Lamar Gillis of Laurens County, as a member of the State Forestry Commission, for the term of office beginning 8/7/2020, and ending 1/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Neera Bahl of Cobb County, as a member of the State Board of Workers' Compensation, for the term of office beginning 8/17/2020, and ending 7/8/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Wilson Benjamin Garrett of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 7/1/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William Russell of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Brian Daniel of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Stanley Aaron McWhorter of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Governors of the George L. Smith II World Congress Center Authority, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Janelle Lashaun King of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 6, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/19/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William Bryan White of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 11, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/19/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Barry H. Babb of Fayette County, as a member of the Board of Corrections for Congressional District 13, for the term of office beginning 8/20/2020, and ending 8/19/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mandi Ballinger of Cherokee County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Rich Vandever of Fulton County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Douglas Silvia of Gordon County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Gerard Armorer of DeKalb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Shannon K. Dunlap of Troup County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Rachel Davidson of DeKalb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Burt Reeves of Cobb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Martin Patrick Ferrell of Cobb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Katie Marie Gropper of Cobb County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Megan Bambrey Horton of Coweta County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Board, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending

8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ellison G. Wood of Bulloch County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable J. Craig Tully of Miller County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Joseph M. Terrell of Habersham County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Nicholas Dwayne Ellis of Wayne County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Leonard Meadows of Ware County, as a member of the Board of Public Safety, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Brandon Shaw Seigler of DeKalb County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Carol Williams of Clarke County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Holley Morris Roberts of Baldwin County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Victor Atkins, Jr. of Richmond County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Elizabeth Jordan Frobos of Hall County, as a member of the Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/1/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Thomas Jeffrey Clark of Columbia County, as a member of the Fort Gordon Citizens Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Sheila Mobley McNeill of Glynn County, as a member of the Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Peter Lincoln Jones of Muscogee County, as a member of the Fort Benning Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kay Kirkpatrick of Cobb County, as a member of the Dobbins Air Reserve Base Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Justin Keith Strickland of Dougherty County, as a member of the Marine Corps Logistics Base Albany Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable John Woodward Gayle of Lowndes County, as a member of the Moody Air Force Base Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Henry Childs of Houston County, as a member of the Robbins Air Force Base Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Allen Brown of Liberty County, as a member of the Fort Stewart Citizen Member of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 8/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Everett C. Kennedy III of Bulloch County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia for Congressional District 12, for the term

of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Harold Reid Reynolds of Greene County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia for Congressional District 10, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable T. Dallas Smith of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lowery Houston May of Floyd County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia for Congressional District 14, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Joe Cade Joiner of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System for Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 9/8/2020, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Glenn Maron of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Dentistry, for the term of office beginning 9/15/2020, and ending 8/29/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Nicholas Marine of Cobb County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Master Plumbers and Journeyman Plumbers, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Roland S. Weekley of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Electrical Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Earl Graham of Barrow County, as a member of the State Construction Industry Licensing Board- Division of Electrical Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Laura W. English of Butts County, as a member of the State Construction

Industry Licensing Board- Division of Utility Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Bruce Kevin Price of Oconee County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tammy Bryant of Thomas County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Merry W. Fort of Bibb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Stephanie Renee Dickerson of Jasper County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 6/1/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Roger Jerome Pierce, Jr. of Grady County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Maceo McDonald Tanner of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 9/18/2020, and ending 9/16/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Van Dupree Council of Cherokee County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Barbara Jo Neville of Fulton County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tomieka R. Daniel of Houston County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Janét Paulsen of Cobb County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Bradford Lee Rigby of Crisp County, as a member of the State Commission on Family Violence, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/23/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable David James Burge of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 5th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Donna Armstrong Lackey of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 3rd Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tung Quang Le of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 7th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Charlie M. Maddox of Clarke County, as a member of the Board of Community Affairs for the 10th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Hershel Vincent Clanton of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of Superior Court Clerks' Retirement Fund of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable John Hampton Irby of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Lottery Corporation, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/22/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mark Wenzel Hennessey of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/22/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Leonte Bernard Leonta of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of Education for the 13th Congressional District, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 1/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Bob Martin of Irwin County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 5, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Vikki Townsend Consiglio of Henry County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 4, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 4/15/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kerry Van Moore of Coffee County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 3, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Edwin Ray Nix of White County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 2, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jason Winters of Chattooga County, as a member of the State Soil and Water Conservation Commission – District Region 1, for the term of office beginning 9/29/2020, and ending 9/21/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Patrick Matthew Davey of Fulton County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lana Poynor Cavassa of Fulton County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Stephen Michael Bauman of Fulton County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and

the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jason Douglas Dickens of Oconee County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Saxena Rajeev of Laurens County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers- Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Gary Keith Massey of Newton County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers- Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Darryl Anthony Hicks of Fayette County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers- Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Stephen Lydon of Pierce County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers- Used Parts Division, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/18/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Virgil Ergle of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Philamenia Rivers of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable T. Kay Kendrick of McDuffie County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Amy Cooper Smith of Columbia County, as a member of the State Board

of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jacqueline Brooke Jones of Lumpkin County, as a member of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbers, for the term of office beginning 9/30/2020, and ending 9/22/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Shawnzia Thomas of DeKalb County, as a member of the State Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Equal Opportunity Commission, for the term of office beginning 10/15/2020, and ending 10/14/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lisa Colbert of Chatham County, as a member of the Board of Juvenile Justice for Congressional District 1, for the term of office beginning 10/19/2020, and ending 7/6/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Gary A. Yandura of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Juvenile Justice for Congressional District 6, for the term of office beginning 10/19/2020, and ending 7/6/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Coy Heath Elliott of Seminole County, as a member of the Board of Community Supervision, for the term of office beginning 10/19/2020, and ending 6/30/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Richard Bennett of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dentistry, for the term of office beginning 10/20/2020, and ending 10/14/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Dave Meldrum of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Gloria Jean Ethridge of Carroll County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Dispensing Opticians, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Secundia Angelic Moore of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia

Board of Dispensing Opticians, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kathy Cooper of Hall County, as a consumer member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jeanmarie Holmes of Habersham County, as a member of the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Commission, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 7/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jerry Warsham of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Commission, for the term of office beginning 10/26/2020, and ending 10/21/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William Todd Groce of Chatham County, as a member of the State Board for the Certification of Librarians, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Alicia Brown MacKinney of Forsyth County, as a member of the State Board for the Certification of Librarians, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Casey Shaefer Vance of Carroll County, as a member of the State Board of Occupational Therapy, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Amy Washinger Arnold of Oconee County, as a member of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Leigh Perdue Hunnicutt of Habersham County, as a member of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kelley Luthi Claas of Oconee County, as a member of the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Nancy Kennedy of Hancock County, as a member of the State Board of Funeral Service, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William Alexander Wright of Lowndes County, as a member of the State Board of Veterinary Medicine, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tripp Mitchell of Carroll County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Anthony J. Biello of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/28/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Thomas Neils Culpepper of Bartow County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Timothy Michael Smith of Newton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Private Detectives and Security Agencies, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable George Douglas Bratcher of Columbia County, as a consumer member of the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lawton Thomas Lord of Oconee County, as a member of the State Board of Cemeterians, for the term of office beginning 10/28/2020, and ending 10/26/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Dorothy Harris of Ben Hill County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Evan Nodvin of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Nandi Isaac of Bibb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Teresa Heard of Lee County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Sukie Glick of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lisa Marie Newbern of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Nicholaus Perez Perry of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Wesley Fountain Ford of Newton County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Rena Laurel Harris of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/2/2020, and

ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Judy Lynn Gardner of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 10/28/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Barby J. Simmons, D.O., of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 10/28/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Thomas Mills Fleming of Chatham County, as a member of the Bona Fide Coin Operated Amusement Machine Operator Advisory Board, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 4/10/2021.

The Honorable Wes Lewis of Putnam County, as a member of the Board of Human Services, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Randall P. Smith of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Human Services, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Deborah Hibben of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Council on Developmental Disabilities, for the term of office beginning 11/3/2020, and ending 7/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kelvin King of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Joseph Alonso of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Humanities Council-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kelly McAloon of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 10/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and

the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ashoo Sharma of Cherokee County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Robert Dawkins of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Karen Johnston of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Russell Crutchfield of Coweta County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Roger Folsom of Laurens County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Russ Childers of Sumter County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Norman L. Boyd of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Allana Cummings of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kenneth Davis of Floyd County, as a member of the Board of Community Health, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Francis “Abit” Massey of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Humanities Council-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending at

the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Travis Stegall of Glynn County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Angela Hsu of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Sugandha Yadav of Camden County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Commission on Equal Opportunity, for the term of office beginning 11/4/2020, and ending 11/4/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Pedro Piercie Cherry of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Katherine K. Monti of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Carl Lee Powell of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Dr. Steve Wrigley of Clarke County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Greg Dozier of Newton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Lynne Riley of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Greg Griffin of Cobb County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kelly Farr of Forsyth County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable David Curry of Henry County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Steve McCoy of Forsyth County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Higher Education Savings Plan, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their respective qualifying position. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Andrew H. Krantz of Cherokee County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable David Wren of Lee County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Douglas Hollandsworth of Walton County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ronald Alpert of Butts County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mary E. Watkins of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Chiropractic Examiners, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Brian Strickland of Henry County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their term in office. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Bonnie Rich of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their term in office. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Houston Gaines of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending concurrent with their term in office. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Shawn LaGrua of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 5/9/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Emory Palmer of Coweta County, as a member of the Georgia Child Support Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 5/9/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Cassius F. Butts of Fulton County, as a member of the Board of Economic Development, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 6/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Matthew B. Connolly of Fulton County, as a member of the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 8/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Anna Chafin of Bryan County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William Pope Hightower of Haralson County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was

confirmed.

The Honorable James L. Adkins, Jr. of Columbia County, as a member of the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 1/6/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kathleen Meyer Patterson of Oconee County, as a member of the Non-Public Postsecondary Education Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 6/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Faye Perdue of Meriwether County, as a member of the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Services Board, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Vincent F. Martin of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Services Board, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Brenda Rice Thompson of Madison County, as a member of the Georgia Real Estate Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Abigail Morgan Coggin of Newton County, as a member of the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Stephen Brian Stirmans of Lanier County, as a member of the Georgia Professional Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/5/2020, and ending 11/5/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mark Cundiff Johnson, M.D. of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia Behavioral Health Reform and Innovation Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/10/2020, and ending 9/25/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Thomas Mills Fleming of Chatham County, as a member of the Bona Fide Coin Operated Amusement Machine Operator Advisory Board, for the term of office

beginning 11/10/2020, and ending 4/10/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kent Fountain of Wayne County, as a member of the Georgia Seed Development Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 6/1/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ben Copeland, Jr. of Macon County, as a member of the Georgia Seed Development Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 6/1/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Rashelle Centor Berry of DeKalb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Examiners of Licensed Dietitians, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 5/30/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Amy Owen Reeves of Cobb County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Healthcare Workforce, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Michael Joseph Groover of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Healthcare Workforce, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Joe Wilkinson of Fulton County, as a member of the Jekyll Island State Park Authority, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William H. Gross of Camden County, as a member of the Jekyll Island State Park Authority, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/9/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Cecil Hamby Cordle of Tift County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 11/21/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Charles Edward Page of Cherokee County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy, for the term of office beginning 11/12/2020, and ending 10/31/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Robert Moore Weaver of DeKalb County, as a member of the Board of Trustee of the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund, for the term of office beginning 11/15/2020, and ending 11/12/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Yi Jeng Lin of Fulton County, as a member of the State Properties Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending 4/1/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Calder Benjamin Clay III of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending 11/12/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Chris Wells of Cobb County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tyrone Oliver of Newton County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Greg Dozier of Newton County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 11/17/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable John Charles Kubinec of Houston County, as a member of the Veterans Service Board, for the term of office beginning 11/23/2020, and ending 11/23/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tyler Adams of Fulton County, as a member of the Capitol Arts Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/23/2020, and ending 10/14/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Rachel Louise Dodsworth of Cobb County, as a member of the Capitol Arts Standards Commission, for the term of office beginning 11/23/2020, and ending 10/14/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Andrew Paul Carrier of Richmond County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Annjeanen Trisa Smith of Hall County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jacqueline Michelle Brown Pinkney of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/31/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable John Christopher Bleacher, M.D. of Fulton County, as a member of the Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/6/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Downing Musgrove Barber of Oconee County, as a member of the State Workforce Development Board, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 5/21/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Joshua Y. Batson of Lowndes County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Nursing, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/11/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable J. Kenneth Morrow of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Agricultural Education Advisory Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/11/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Wayne E. Shannon of Tift County, as a member of the Agricultural Education Advisory Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/11/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Micah Story of Clarke County, as a member of the Agricultural Education Advisory Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/11/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Perry T. Walden of Walton County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 8/14/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Larry "Bo" Benton of Jones County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 8/14/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Tom C. Rawlings of DeKalb County, as a member of the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending at the pleasure of the Governor. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jon Mikel Williams of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Landscape Architects, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 12/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Charles Garbutt of Laurens County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 11/11/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ted Noe of Floyd County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 11/11/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ray Lambert, Jr. of Henry County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/1/2028. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Gary Clark Vowell, Sr. of Irwin County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 8/3/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Anne Kaiser of Fulton County, as a member of the Technical College Systems of Georgia-At-Large, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 6/30/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mary P. Flanders of Chatham County, as a member of the Technical College Systems of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 6/30/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Baoky Vu of DeKalb County, as a member of the Technical College Systems of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 6/30/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Robert Joseph of Fulton County, as a member of the State Personnel Board, for the term of office beginning 12/21/2020, and ending 1/3/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Sachin Shailendra of Clayton County, as a member of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 1/1/2028. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Clayton Huffman of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 6/30/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Charles Cole of Forsyth County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 6/30/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Craig Smith of Hall County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 6/30/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Donna Seagraves of Clarke County, as a member of the Georgia Public Defender Council, for the term of office beginning 12/30/2020, and ending 12/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James E. “Trey” Allen of Columbia County, as a member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Lottery Corporation, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 12/31/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Ashley Addison of Bryan County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 6/30/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jason Ivey Reeves of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration of Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 12/31/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Duff Ayers of Jenkins County, as a member of the Ogeechee Circuit Public Defender Supervisory Panel, for the term of office beginning 12/31/2020, and ending 12/31/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Matt Wilson Donaldson of Emanuel County, as a member of the State Board of Education for Congressional District 12, for the term of office beginning 1/4/2021, and ending 1/1/2028. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Stanley Wade DeJarnett of Morgan County, as a member of the State Board of Education for Congressional District 10, for the term of office beginning 1/4/2021, and ending 1/1/2028. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Don Anthony Grantham, Jr. of Columbia County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Commission for Congressional District 12, for the term of office beginning 1/5/2021, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Anne K. Smith of Chatham County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/5/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable David M.G. Maschke of Dougherty County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/5/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Melissa Cantrell of Pickens County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 3/5/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Craig R. Buckley of Emanuel County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Architects and Interior Designers, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and

ending 3/15/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Patricia J. Brown of Fayette County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 1/7/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Neil S. Wyche of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Taylor Wright of Cobb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 8/28/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable William Womack of DeKalb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 8/28/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Darien M. Sykes of Fulton County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Elmo Richardson of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable L. Russell Pennington of DeKalb County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2023. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable L. Dan Davis of Fayette County, as a member of the State Board of Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/1/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Julianne C. Busbee of Fayette County, as a member of the State Board of

Registration for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, for the term of office beginning 1/7/2021, and ending 6/20/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Daniel Edwin Rampey of Barrow County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Bryan Vincent Hunter of Peach County, as a member of the Georgia Peace Officer Standards Training Council, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 4/7/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Kimberly Ann Pitsenbarger of Houston County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Edward "Chap" Nelson III of Jones County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Mark Shane Mobley of Bibb County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Barbara Byron Mitchell of Sumter County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Shanna Boss Dupree of Bleckley County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Staci McNeely Kennedy of Bulloch County, as a member of the State Board of Long-Term Care Facility Administrators, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2024. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Timothy Wayne Trotter of Bibb County, as a member of the State Constitution Licensing Board- Division of Low-Voltage Contractors, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Linda P. McWhorter of Carroll County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/1/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Stephen Branson Adams of Hall County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Peace Officers' Annuity and Benefit Fund, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 7/10/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jake Albert Futch of Bulloch County, as a member of the Georgia State Board of Funeral Service, for the term of office beginning 1/15/2021, and ending 1/15/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Margaret Ellen Heap of Chatham County, as a member of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles, for the term of office beginning 1/19/2021, and ending 12/31/2027. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Todd Martin Tolbert of Monroe County, as a member of the State Board of Accountancy, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 6/30/2025. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Jerrold Lewis Page of Hall County, as a member of the State Board of Registration of Used Motor Vehicle Dealers and Used Motor Vehicle Parts Dealers, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 6/30/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Randy L. Dellinger of Gwinnett County, as a member of the Board of Natural Resources for Congressional District 7, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 1/1/2028. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Eric Ray Burrell of Franklin County, as a member of the Georgia Student Finance Commission for Congressional District 9, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 3/15/2022. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Alton Laman Lawson of Emanuel County, as a member of the Georgia Auctioneers Commission, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 1/21/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Thomas C. Bobbitt III of Laurens County, as a member of the Board of Commissioners of the Magistrates Retirement Fund of Georgia, for the term of office beginning 1/21/2021, and ending 7/1/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Richard Lientz, Jr. of Fulton County, as a member of the Private Colleges and Universities Authority, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 1/1/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable James Edmund Kitchens of Coffee County, as a member of the Board of Community Supervision, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 6/30/2021. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Michael Robert Crane of Coweta County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 1/22/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

The Honorable Thomas “Mike” Phelps, Jr. of Gwinnett County, as a member of the State Licensing Board for Residential and General Contractors, for the term of office beginning 1/22/2021, and ending 1/22/2026. The vote on this confirmation was yeas 47, nays 2, and the appointment was confirmed.

Sincerely,

/s/ David A Cook
David A. Cook
Secretary of the Senate

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 93. By Representative Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to eliminate duplicative state licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories; to repeal provisions relating to examination of human specimens and methods for selection of blood donors and collection, storage, and processing of human blood; to eliminate state inspections of clinical laboratories; to amend Code Sections 26-4-172 and 42-1-10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to license requirements generally under the "Nuclear Pharmacy Act" and preliminary urine screen drug tests for inmates, respectively, so as to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 128. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Jackson of the 128th, Mathis of the 144th, McDonald of the 26th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding health, so as to prohibit providers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to insurance generally, so as to prohibit health insurers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to provide for definitions; to provide for health benefit plans and collective bargaining; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 146. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Rich of the 97th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding personnel administration, so as to provide for paid parental leave for eligible state employees and eligible local board of education employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for terms and conditions; to provide for certain prohibitions; to provide for rules; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 163. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Gaines of the 117th, Dempsey of the 13th, Frye of the 118th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to direct the Department of Community Health to submit a state plan amendment to implement express lane enrollment in Medicaid; to direct the Department of Human Services to automatically enroll and renew eligible children in Medicaid, based on application data received for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 200. By Representative Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the issuance of a Class C driver's license to operators of certain three-wheeled motor vehicles; to exempt operators of certain three-wheeled motor vehicles from headgear and eye-protective device requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 207. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd and Rhodes of the 120th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for electronic submission of certain documentation required of manufacturers, distributors, dealers, secondary metals recyclers, used motor vehicle parts dealers, and scrap metal processors by the Department of Revenue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 254. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Taylor of the 173rd, Hugley of the 136th and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, so as to increase the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; to provide for allowable types of remuneration; to provide for proof of financial responsibility; to provide for record keeping; to provide for certain consumer protections; to provide for advertising requirements; to provide for certain prohibited acts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 331. By Representative Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sardis; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 357. By Representative Campbell of the 171st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Pelham, approved April 28, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3859), so as to reduce the size of the city council; to revise the power of the mayor to vote at city council meetings; to revise when newly elected mayors or council members take office; to provide for election by plurality of votes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 361. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Edison; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 375. By Representative Smith of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Bremen to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 376. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Education of Bacon County, approved February 20, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 2713), as amended, so as to modify the compensation of the chairperson and members of the Board of Education of Bacon County; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 182. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Harper of the 7th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to define the term "fence detection system"; to limit the ability of counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities to regulate or prohibit such systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

SB 183. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Brass of the 28th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sheriffs, so as to revise qualification requirements for the office of sheriff; to require certification as a peace officer at the time of qualifying as a candidate for sheriff; to require such candidate to be in good standing with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council; to provide for a confirming affidavit; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 184. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the time for inputting credit for voting data; to provide for sanctions for failure to meet deadlines; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 185. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to state administrative organization, administration, and enforcement of revenue and taxation, so as to require that all questions of law decided by a court or the Georgia Tax Tribunal on matters arising from the state board of equalization and matters arising from refunds and appeals of state administration of Title 48 be decided without deference to determinations or interpretations of

the Department of Revenue except without any effect on the judicial standard of deference given to rules promulgated pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 50, the "Georgia Administrative Procedure Act"; to amend Chapter 13A of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to tax tribunals; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 186. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the General Assembly, so as to provide certain procedures for redistricting of the General Assembly and congressional districts in this state; to provide for certain hearings, information availability, procedures, and notifications; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Reapportionment and Redistricting.

SB 187. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd, Walker III of the 20th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-519.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE scholarship, so as to establish a procedure for students with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act to apply for a waiver from certain HOPE scholarship and grant eligibility requirements; to provide for responsibilities of the Georgia Student Finance Commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 188. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for an election results reporting system to be established and maintained by the Secretary of State; to provide for the submission of certain information to such reporting system by county superintendents; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 189. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st, Au of the 48th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to provide for separate trials for issues of liability and damages under certain circumstances; to provide considerations for making determinations as to whether to provide for separate trials; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 190. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to torts, so as to provide for the recovery and admissibility of special damages for medical and health care expenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 191. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Harbin of the 16th, Watson of the 1st and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to change certain provisions relating to insurance of motor carriers and to causes of actions involving motor carriers and insurance carriers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SB 192. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Dolezal of the 27th, Payne of the 54th, Walker III of the 20th and Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for hearings and procedures when the right of a person to register to vote, vote, or remain on the list of electors is challenged; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 193. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th, Harbison of the 15th, Jackson of the 2nd, Hatchett of the 50th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to grant counties the option of requiring that mobile homes procure and display decals; to revise the time for payment of related ad valorem taxes; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 194. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Harper of the 7th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-8-12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penalties for theft in violation of Code Sections 16-8-2 through 16-8-9, so as to revise the monetary value of certain stolen property; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 196. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Jones of the 10th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the

offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 197. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Strickland of the 17th, Merritt of the 9th, Jordan of the 6th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking, so as to revise the definition of "place or places"; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 198. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Albers of the 56th and Robertson of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Public Safety, so as to provide for subsistence and per diem allowances; to provide for receipt of badge and duty weapon upon retirement; to provide for authority to grant salary increases upon completion of certain education courses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SR 109. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Merritt of the 9th, Au of the 48th, Orrock of the 36th, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A RESOLUTION expressing support for employees of the University System of Georgia; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SR 112. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Harper of the 7th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 93. By Representative Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to eliminate duplicative state licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories; to repeal provisions relating to examination of human specimens and methods for selection of blood donors and collection, storage, and processing of human blood; to eliminate state inspections of clinical laboratories; to amend Code Sections 26-4-172 and 42-1-10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to license requirements generally under the "Nuclear Pharmacy Act" and preliminary urine screen drug tests for inmates, respectively, so as to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 128. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Jackson of the 128th, Mathis of the 144th, McDonald of the 26th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding health, so as to prohibit providers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to insurance generally, so as to prohibit health insurers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to provide for definitions; to provide for health benefit plans and collective bargaining; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 146. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Rich of the 97th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding personnel administration, so as to provide for paid parental leave for eligible state employees and eligible local board of education employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for terms and conditions; to provide for certain prohibitions; to provide for rules; to provide for related

matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 163. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Gaines of the 117th, Dempsey of the 13th, Frye of the 118th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to direct the Department of Community Health to submit a state plan amendment to implement express lane enrollment in Medicaid; to direct the Department of Human Services to automatically enroll and renew eligible children in Medicaid, based on application data received for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 200. By Representative Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the issuance of a Class C driver's license to operators of certain three-wheeled motor vehicles; to exempt operators of certain three-wheeled motor vehicles from headgear and eye-protective device requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 207. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd and Rhodes of the 120th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for electronic submission of certain documentation required of manufacturers, distributors, dealers, secondary metals recyclers, used motor vehicle parts dealers, and scrap metal processors by the Department of Revenue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 254. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Taylor of the 173rd, Hugley of the 136th and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, so as to increase the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; to provide for allowable types of remuneration; to provide for proof of financial responsibility; to provide for record keeping; to provide for certain consumer protections; to provide for advertising requirements; to provide for certain prohibited acts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 331. By Representative Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sardis; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 357. By Representative Campbell of the 171st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Pelham, approved April 28, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3859), so as to reduce the size of the city council; to revise the power of the mayor to vote at city council meetings; to revise when newly elected mayors or council members take office; to provide for election by plurality of votes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 361. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Edison; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 375. By Representative Smith of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of

Bremen to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 376. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Education of Bacon County, approved February 20, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 2713), as amended, so as to modify the compensation of the chairperson and members of the Board of Education of Bacon County; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 100 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SR 28 | Do Pass |
| SR 29 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Insurance and Labor has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 82 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burke of the 11th District, Chairman

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 25th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Parent |
| Au | Harrell | Payne |
| Beach | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Brass | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Seay |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Gooch | Lucas | Walker |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Dolezal (Excused) | James (Excused) | Jones, B. (Excused) |
| Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend George Dillard of

Peachtree City, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Miller of the 49th, President Pro Tempore, assumed the Chair.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced Congressman Buddy Carter. Congressman Carter addressed the Senate briefly.

Senator Anderson of the 24th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Bruce LeClair, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 108. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Curt Blackburn Thompson II for his outstanding work in the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 110. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jackson of the 2nd, Halpern of the 39th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the restaurant industry of Georgia and recognizing February 17, 2021, as State Restaurant Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 111. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Charles Bloodworth upon the grand occasion of his retirement from the United States Secret Service; and for other purposes.

SR 113. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 2nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 21, 2021, as Shaheed Dibosh and International Mother Language Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021
## EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 52 Selling and Other Trade Practices; legislative findings; standards for cybersecurity programs to protect businesses from liability; provide

(Substitute)(S&T-14th)

SB 81 Office of College and Career Transitions; change name to the Office of College and Career Academies (H ED-53rd)

SB 88 Education; Georgia Teacher of the Year shall be invited to serve as advisor ex officio to the State Board of Education; provide (ED&Y-8th)

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 52. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for legislative findings; to provide standards for cybersecurity programs to protect businesses from liability; to provide for affirmative defenses for data breaches of private information; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Science and Technology offered the following substitute to SB 52:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for legislative findings; to provide standards for cybersecurity programs to protect businesses from liability; to provide for affirmative defenses for data breaches of private information; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to selling and

other trade practices, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 35

10-1-920.

The General Assembly finds that:

(1) The purpose of this article is to establish a legal safe harbor which may be pled as an affirmative defense to:

(A) Any cause of action sounding in tort; or

(B) Any regulatory enforcement proceeding brought under the laws of this state or in the courts of this state,

in each case that alleges or relates to the failure to implement reasonable cybersecurity controls, resulting in a data breach of private information.

This article shall apply to all covered entities that implement a cybersecurity program that substantially complies with the requirements of this article or that implement a cybersecurity program through the use of an appropriately credentialed independent security professional; and

(2) This article is intended to incentivize and encourage businesses to achieve a higher level of cybersecurity through voluntary action. This article does not, and is not intended to, create a minimum cybersecurity standard that must be achieved, nor shall it be read to impose liability upon businesses that do not obtain or maintain practices in compliance with this article.

10-1-921.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Covered entity' means a business that accesses, maintains, communicates, or processes personal information in or through one or more systems, networks, or services located in or outside of this state.

(2) 'Data breach' means unauthorized access to and acquisition of an individual's electronic data that compromises the security, confidentiality, or integrity of personal information of such individual owned by or licensed to a covered entity and that causes, is reasonably believed to have caused, or is reasonably believed to have the potential to cause a material risk of identity theft or other fraud to person or property. Such term shall not include either of the following:

(A) Good faith acquisition of personal information by the covered entity's employee or agent for the purposes of the covered entity, provided that the personal information is not used for an unlawful purpose or subject to further unauthorized disclosure; or

(B) Acquisition of personal information pursuant to a search warrant, subpoena, or other court order, or pursuant to a subpoena, order, or duty of a regulatory state agency.

(3) 'Personal information' means an individual's first name or first initial and last name in combination with any one or more of the following data elements when either the name or the data elements are not encrypted or redacted:

(A) Social security number;
(B) Driver's license number or state identification card number;
(C) Account number, credit card number, or debit card number, if circumstances exist wherein such a number could be used without additional identifying information, access codes, or passwords;
(D) Account passwords or personal identification numbers or other access codes;
(E) Student information including grades, disciplinary history, and standardized test scores;
(F) Health insurance policy number or subscriber identification number and any unique identifier used by a health insurer to identify the individual; or
(G) Any of the items contained in subparagraphs (A) through (F) of this paragraph when not in connection with the individual's first name or first initial and last name, if the information compromised would be sufficient to perform or attempt to perform identity theft or other fraud against the individual whose information was compromised.

Such term shall not include publicly available information that is lawfully made available to the general public from federal, state, or local government records.

10-1-922.

(a) A covered entity intending to assert an affirmative defense to a data breach of personal information under this article shall create, maintain, and comply with a written cybersecurity program that contains administrative, technical, and physical safeguards for the protection of personal information and that reasonably conforms to an industry recognized cybersecurity framework as described in Code Section 10-1-923.

(b) A covered entity's cybersecurity program shall be designed to do all of the following:

(1) Protect the security and confidentiality of personal information;
(2) Protect against any anticipated threats or hazards to the security or integrity of personal information; and
(3) Protect against unauthorized acquisition of personal information that is likely to result in a material risk of identity theft or other fraud to the individual to whom the information relates.

(c) The scale and scope of a covered entity's cybersecurity program is reasonable if it takes into consideration all of the following factors:

(1) The size and complexity of the covered entity;
(2) The nature and scope of the activities of the covered entity;
(3) The sensitivity of the information to be protected;
(4) The cost and availability of tools to improve cybersecurity and reduce vulnerabilities; and
(5) The resources available to the covered entity.

10-1-923.

(a) A covered entity shall be deemed to be in compliance with this article if it implements a cybersecurity program that includes:

(1) Reasonable administrative safeguards in which the covered entity:
(A) Designates one or more employees to coordinate the cybersecurity program;
(B) Identifies reasonably foreseeable internal and external risks;
(C) Assesses the sufficiency of safeguards in place to control the identified risks;
(D) Trains and manages employees in the cybersecurity program practices and procedures;
(E) Selects service providers capable of maintaining appropriate safeguards and requires those safeguards by contract; and
(F) Adjusts the cybersecurity program in light of business changes or new circumstances;
(2) Reasonable technical safeguards in which the covered entity:
(A) Assesses risks in network and software design;
(B) Assesses risks in information processing, transmission, and storage;
(C) Detects, prevents, and responds to attacks or system failures; and
(D) Regularly tests and monitors the effectiveness of key controls, systems, and procedures; and
(3) Reasonable physical safeguards in which the covered entity:
(A) Assesses risks of information storage and disposal;
(B) Detects, prevents, and responds to intrusions;
(C) Protects against unauthorized access to or use of private information during or after the collection, transportation, and destruction or disposal of the information; and
(D) Disposes of private information within a reasonable amount of time after it is no longer needed for business purposes by erasing electronic media so that the information cannot be read or reconstructed.
(b) It shall be an affirmative defense to liability for a data breach of personal information if the covered entity can establish:
(1) Substantial compliance with the provisions of this article; or
(2) That it has, within 12 months prior to the data breach, undergone a data security assessment by an independent security assessment firm using appropriately credentialed security professionals and received a certification of adherence to a widely recognized information security standard issued by an authoritative cybersecurity standards body."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

The President resumed the Chair.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 31, nays 18.

SB 52, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 81. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 43rd, Dugan of the 30th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-4-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Office of College and Career Transitions and powers and duties, so as to change the name of the Office of College and Career Transitions to the Office of College and Career Academies; to provide for increased technical skills; to provide for collaboration between the Technical College System of Georgia and certain entities to support efforts to recruit new industries and expand existing industries; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 81, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 88. By Senators Goodman of the 8th, Jackson of the 2nd, Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Burns of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide that the Georgia Teacher of the Year shall be invited to serve as an advisor ex officio to the State Board of Education; to provide for a nontraditional teacher certification program for members and veterans of the United States armed forces; to provide for the Professional Standards Commission to require that teacher education programs include mandatory coursework in differentiated instruction and reading fundamentals and to promote increased student enrollment in and completion of teacher education programs offered at historically black colleges and universities in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 88, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

Feb. 18, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 88. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 18, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, February 18, 2021
Nineteenth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 90. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Burns of the 159th, Dickey of the 140th, Hatchett of the 150th, Morris of the 156th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages for conversion of timber, so as to provide that certain persons, firms, or corporations who are buyers of land for conversion of timber shall be exempt from certain liabilities; to limit damages for certain causes of action brought for conversion of timber; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 130. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Sainz of the 180th, Williams of the 145th, Gravley of the 67th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to define the term "fence detection system"; to limit the ability of counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities to regulate or prohibit such systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 154. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the

82nd, Rich of the 97th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children, including foster children and adopted children; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 282. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, England of the 116th, Hatchett of the 150th, Watson of the 172nd and Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of qualified timberland property, so as to add a definition; to limit the determination of fair market value to a weighted market and income approach to valuation; to revise certain requirements for certification of qualified timberland property; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 287. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, Jasperse of the 11th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to include tobacco and vapor products in the course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs required each year for all students in grades kindergarten through 12; to revise implementation dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 199. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to taxes on tobacco and vaping products, so as to permit the sale and delivery of tobacco products, alternative nicotine products, and vapor products by licensed manufacturers located outside of this state directly to individuals in this state under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 200. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Jackson of the 2nd, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency powers of the governor, so as to provide that certain business and religious institutions may continue or resume operations if in compliance with applicable safety procedures during certain states of emergency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 201. By Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the administration of revenue and taxation, so as to require financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; to provide for conditions, limitations, and prohibitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 202. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot; to require certain comparisons to remove improper names from mail distribution lists; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 203. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Albers of the 56th, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy absorption systems of motor vehicles, so as to allow for the use of mounts on windshields of motor vehicles for the support of wireless telecommunications devices and stand-alone electronic devices under certain circumstances; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 117. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Davenport of the 44th, Halpern of the 39th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Democratic Party of Clayton County and the Young Democrats of Clayton County; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 125. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A RESOLUTION encouraging equitable and diverse gender representation on the boards and in the senior management of Georgia companies and institutions; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 126. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Jones of the 10th, Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of civil rights leader and United States Representative John Robert Lewis and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 90. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Burns of the 159th, Dickey of the 140th, Hatchett of the 150th, Morris of the 156th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the

Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages for conversion of timber, so as to provide that certain persons, firms, or corporations who are buyers of land for conversion of timber shall be exempt from certain liabilities; to limit damages for certain causes of action brought for conversion of timber; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions.

HB 130. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Sainz of the 180th, Williams of the 145th, Gravley of the 67th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to define the term "fence detection system"; to limit the ability of counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities to regulate or prohibit such systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 154. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Rich of the 97th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children, including foster children and adopted children; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 282. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, England of the 116th, Hatchett of the 150th, Watson of the 172nd and Dickey of the 140th:

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Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 287. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, Jasperse of the 11th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to include tobacco and vapor products in the course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs required each year for all students in grades kindergarten through 12; to revise implementation dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 42 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 51 | Do Pass |
| SB 59 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 40 | Do Pass by substitute | SB 67 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 89 | Do Pass by substitute | SB 184 | Do Pass |
| SB 188 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 265 Do Pass
SB 148 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 116 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 28 Do Pass
SB 105 Do Pass by substitute
SB 75 Do Pass by substitute
SB 114 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 119 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harper of the 7th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 115 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SR 11 Do Pass by substitute
SR 62 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Urban Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 90 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Jackson of the 2nd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 82 SB 100 SR 28 SR 29

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Thompson of the 14th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Thompson was excused.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 25th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 24th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Davenport of the 44th asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Au | Harper | Parent |
| Beach | Harrell | Payne |
| Brass | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Burke | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Gooch | McNeill | Watson |
| Goodman | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anderson, L. (Excused) | James (Excused) | Jones, B. (Excused) |
| Lucas (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Thompson (Excused) | | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag

of Georgia.

Senator Hickman of the 4th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. David Davis of Peachtree Corners, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 114. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Burke of the 11th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the National Wrestling Alliance and recognizing October 21, 2021, as National Wrestling Alliance Day; and for other purposes.

SR 115. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Orrock of the 36th, Davenport of the 44th, Harrell of the 40th, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Brianne Drake; and for other purposes.

SR 116. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Orrock of the 36th, Davenport of the 44th, Harrell of the 40th, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Gracie Staples; and for other purposes.

SR 118. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Bobbie McCoy Lytle; and for other purposes.

SR 119. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Shelby C. Peeples Jr.; and for other purposes.

SR 120. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 11, 2021, as Six Triple Eight Day; and for other purposes.

SR 121. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 23, 2021, as World Spay Day; and for other purposes.

SR 122. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Kathie Gannon upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 123. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Seay of the 34th, Halpern of the 39th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. for its 108 years of service and recognizing March, 11, 2021, as Delta Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 124. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Community Coordinator Sharon Almon, the Department of Community Supervision 2020 Non-Sworn Employee of the Year; and for other purposes.

SR 127. By Senators Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Parent of the 42nd, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending workers of the Department of Public Health for their service and diligence through the pandemic; and for other purposes.

SR 128. By Senators Harper of the 7th and McNeill of the 3rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Nancy Murray on winning the National Association of Conservation Districts Photo Contest; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2021
NINETEENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 46 Health; certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; authorize (Substitute)(H&HS-11th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 46. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to authorize certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; to provide for vaccination information to third parties under certain public health conditions; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, so as to revise certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccines under vaccine protocol agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to SB 46:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to authorize certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; to provide for vaccination information to third parties under certain public health conditions; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, so as to revise certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccines under vaccine protocol agreements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, is amended by revising Code Section 31-11-53, relating to services which may be rendered by certified emergency medical technicians and trainees, as follows:

"31-11-53.

(a) Upon certification by the department, emergency medical technicians may do any of the following:

(1) Render first-aid and resuscitation services as taught in the United States Department of Transportation basic training courses for emergency medical technicians or an equivalent course approved by the department; ~~and~~

(2) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician, administer approved intravenous solutions and opioid antagonists; and

(3) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician during a declared public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, administer vaccines.

(b) While in training preparatory to becoming certified, emergency medical technician trainees may perform any of the functions specified in this Code section under the direct supervision of a duly licensed physician or a registered nurse."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 31-11-55, relating to services which may be rendered by certified cardiac technicians and trainees, as follows:

"31-11-55.

(a) Upon certification by the department, cardiac technicians may do any of the following:

(1) Render first-aid and resuscitation services;

(2) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician and as recommended by the Georgia Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council and approved by the department:

(A) Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillation in a hemodynamically unstable patient;

(B) Administer approved intravenous solutions;

(C) Administer parenteral injections of antiarrhythmic agents, vagolytic agents, chronotropic agents, alkalizing agents, analgesic agents, and vasopressor agents or administer opioid antagonists; ~~and~~

(D) Perform pulmonary ventilation by esophageal airway and endotracheal intubation; and

(E) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician during a declared public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, administer vaccines.

(b) While in training preparatory to becoming certified, cardiac technician trainees may perform any of the functions specified in this Code section under the direct supervision

of a duly licensed physician or a registered nurse."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 31-12-3.1, relating to establishment and maintenance of state-wide vaccination registry for children under age 18, by revising subsection (e) as follows:

"(e) Individually identifiable vaccination information regarding a person may be provided to the department by, or released by the department to, a local health department, hospital, physician, or other provider of medical services to the person; ~~or~~ to a school or child care facility in which the person is enrolled if the person is 18 years of age or younger; or to a third party that is authorized by law to collect or receive such information for the purpose of preventing or controlling disease, injury, or disability, including, but not limited to, a vaccination program or as needed to avert a serious and imminent threat to life and safety, so long as such third party adheres to federal privacy laws, without the consent of the person or the person's parents or guardians. All persons shall be enrolled unless a specific exemption is requested by the person or the person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger; provided, however, that no enrollment exemption shall be granted for the vaccination registry for vaccinations administered as a result of a declared public health emergency. A parent or guardian may obtain and upon request to the department shall be provided with all individually identifiable vaccination registry information regarding his or her child or ward. Except as provided otherwise by this Code section, individually identifiable vaccination registry information shall be treated as confidential and shall not be released to a third party without consent of the person or the person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger."

**SECTION 4.**

Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, is amended by revising Code Section 43-34-26.1, relating to vaccine protocol agreements, as follows:

"43-34-26.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Administer' means the provision of a unit dose of vaccine by a pharmacist or nurse pursuant to a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement with a physician.

(2) 'Adverse event' means an event that is a negative consequence of the administration of vaccine by a pharmacist or nurse that results in an unintended reaction, injury, or illness, which may or may not have been preventable.

(3) 'Board' means the Georgia Composite Medical Board.

(4) 'Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services' or 'vaccination registry' means the vaccination registry established by Department of Public Health pursuant to Code Section 31-12-3.1.

~~(4)~~(5) 'Nurse' means a registered professional nurse as defined in paragraph (9) of Code Section 43-26-3. The term shall also mean a licensed practical nurse as defined in

paragraph (5) of Code Section 43-26-32 who is regularly employed by a physician engaged in the active practice of medicine.

~~(5)~~(6) 'Pharmacist' means an individual licensed under Chapter 4 of Title 26 to engage in the practice of pharmacy in the State of Georgia.

~~(6)~~(7) 'Pharmacy intern' means a pharmacy intern as defined in paragraph (19) of Code Section 26-4-5.

~~(7)~~(8) 'Physician' means an individual licensed to practice medicine and surgery pursuant to this article and whose principal place of practice is located in this state.

~~(8)~~(9) 'Vaccine' means: ~~a specially prepared antigen which upon administration to a person will result in immunity to influenza, pneumococcal disease, shingles, or meningitis.~~

(A) A vaccine that is included on the adult immunization schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention administered to an individual 18 years of age or older;

(B) An influenza vaccine administered to an individual 13 years of age or older; and

(C) Any vaccine for an illness that has resulted in a declared public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1.

~~No live attenuated virus shall be administered pursuant to this Code section unless the patient or his or her parent, if a minor, has signed an informed consent that he or she does not have a contraindication to this vaccine. The informed consent form shall list the contraindications to the vaccine.~~

~~(9)~~(10) 'Vaccine order' means a prescription drug order, contained in a vaccine protocol agreement, for a vaccine issued by a physician for a group of patients who meet certain criteria and to be administered by a pharmacist or a nurse. A vaccine order shall also mean a prescription drug order, contained in a vaccine protocol agreement, for epinephrine issued by a physician for a group of patients who meet certain criteria and to be administered by a pharmacist or a nurse only upon the occurrence of an actual or perceived anaphylactic adverse reaction to the administered vaccine provided that the vaccine protocol agreement sets forth the signs and symptoms that warrant the administration of epinephrine.

~~(10)~~(11) 'Vaccine protocol agreement' means a written document mutually agreed upon and signed by a physician and a pharmacist or by a physician and a nurse, by which document the physician prescribes a vaccine and epinephrine, if determined appropriate by the physician, by means of a vaccine order for administration by a pharmacist or a nurse.

(b) A physician engaged in the active practice of medicine may prescribe a vaccine for a group of patients via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement to be administered by a pharmacist, provided the physician resides in Georgia and is registered with the ~~vaccination registry established by the Department of Public Health pursuant to Code Section 31-12-3.1, commonly known as the~~ Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services; the pharmacist holds current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support and has completed a course of training accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or similar health authority or professional body

approved by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy; and the pharmacist completes a training program recognized by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the basics of immunology which focuses on practice implementation and legal and regulatory issues, composed of: (1) at least 12 hours of self-study and an assessment exam; (2) at least eight hours of live seminar with a final exam; and (3) a hands-on assessment of intramuscular and subcutaneous injection technique. A physician who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement may also prescribe epinephrine via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement for administration by a pharmacist upon the occurrence of an actual or perceived anaphylactic adverse reaction to the administered vaccine, provided that the vaccine protocol agreement sets forth the signs and symptoms that warrant the administration of epinephrine.

(c) A physician engaged in the active practice of medicine may prescribe a vaccine for a group of patients via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement to be administered by a nurse, provided the physician is registered with the ~~vaccination registry established by the Department of Public Health pursuant to Code Section 31-12-3.1, commonly known as the~~ Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services, the nurse is located within the county of the physician's place of registration with the vaccination registry or a county contiguous thereto, and the nurse holds current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support. A physician who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement may also prescribe epinephrine via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement for administration by a nurse upon the occurrence of an actual or perceived anaphylactic adverse reaction to the administered vaccine provided that the vaccine protocol agreement sets forth the signs and symptoms that warrant the administration of epinephrine.

(d) A vaccine protocol agreement between a physician and a pharmacist or a physician and a nurse pursuant to this Code section shall, without limitation:

(1) Contain the current names, addresses, telephone numbers, and professional license numbers of the physician and the pharmacist or nurse;

(2) Contain a provision for immediate consultation between the pharmacist or nurse and the physician. If the physician is not available, the physician for purposes of consultation may designate another physician who concurs with the terms of the vaccine protocol agreement;

(3) Require the pharmacist or nurse to take an appropriate case history and determine whether the patient has had a physical examination within the past year and shall not administer a vaccine to a patient with any condition for which such vaccine is contraindicated;

(4) Require the pharmacist or nurse to provide the vaccine recipient with the appropriate and current Vaccine Information Statement as provided by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(5) Require the pharmacist or nurse to provide written information to the vaccine recipient to be developed by the Department of Public Health on the importance of having and periodically seeing a primary care physician;

~~(6) Require the pharmacist or nurse to provide each new vaccine recipient with a~~

~~personal immunization card on card stock paper containing the vaccine recipient's name, the pharmacist's or nurse's name and phone number, the name and dosage of the vaccine, the location of injection on the vaccine recipient, and the date of the administration of the vaccine in legible writing or printed type in a format made available by the Department of Public Health. The patient shall produce such card when he or she has subsequent vaccines and the pharmacist or nurse shall update such card, unless the patient does not have such card, in which case, a new card shall be provided. The written information required pursuant to paragraph (5) of this subsection may be included on the card provided pursuant to this paragraph;~~

~~(7)~~(6) Require the pharmacist or nurse or his or her employer to retain documentation of each dose of vaccine administered. Such documentation shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) The administering pharmacist's or nurse's name, address, telephone number, and professional license number;

(B) The name, dose, manufacturer, and lot number of the vaccine;

(C) The vaccine recipient's name, address, date of birth, and telephone number;

(D) The date of administration and injection site;

(E) A signed and dated consent form by which the vaccine recipient acknowledges receipt of the Vaccine Information Statement, consents to the administration of the vaccine, and authorizes the pharmacy or nurse to notify the vaccine recipient's primary care provider of the vaccine administered to the vaccine recipient; and

(F) Any adverse events or complications that occur;

~~(8)~~(7) Require the pharmacist or nurse to make documented reasonable efforts to obtain the name of the vaccine recipient's primary care provider and to notify such primary care provider of the vaccine administered by the pharmacist or nurse within 72 hours of administration;

~~(9)~~(8) Require the pharmacist or nurse to administer the vaccine to a patient in a private room, area with a privacy screen, or other interior area in which the patient's privacy can be maintained. In no event shall a pharmacist or nurse administer a vaccine to a patient in a manner that is designed so that the patient can be served while remaining in his or her personal vehicle. This paragraph shall not apply to mass immunizations in the event of a declared public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, or for purposes of training in which vaccinations are administered to large groups of people at one or more locations in a short interval of time;

~~(10)~~(9) Require the pharmacist, ~~or~~ nurse, or his or her designee to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services prior to administration of the vaccine and to enter the patient's vaccine information in the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services within the vaccination registry's designated time frame, or as designated by the Department of Public Health; provided, however, that a pharmacist, nurse, or his or her designee shall not be required to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services during:

(A) A declared public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, for any vaccine administered to address the cause of the threat of an illness or health

condition or the infectious agent or biological toxin which resulted in such declared public health emergency; or

(B) A vaccination event for influenza that is anticipated to serve 75 or more patients.

The Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency shall have the authority to impose sanctions in accordance with subsection (r) of this Code section on any person subject to the requirements of this paragraph who does not submit the information required by this paragraph and to notify the delegating physician and the applicable licensing board for such person of violations of this paragraph;

~~(11)~~(10) Require, as a condition of administration of the vaccine, the vaccine recipient to remain under the observation of ~~the administering~~ a pharmacist or nurse for a period of not less than 15 minutes immediately subsequent to the administration of the vaccine;

~~(12)~~(11) Contain procedures to follow up on the occurrence of an adverse event or complication including, if prescribed via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement, the administration of epinephrine;

~~(13)~~(12) Provide for prioritization of vaccine recipients in the event the supply of a vaccine is limited;

~~(14)~~(13) Require the pharmacist or nurse to maintain individual liability insurance coverage or be individually covered by his or her employer's liability insurance coverage in an amount not less than $250,000.00 to cover claims arising from administration of vaccines by the pharmacist or nurse pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement and to provide proof of such coverage to the physician for submission to the board with the vaccine protocol agreement. The pharmacist or nurse shall also retain a copy of the proof of insurance coverage, including the name of the insurer and policy number, onsite at his or her primary location for inspection by the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, upon request;

~~(15)~~(14) Require the pharmacist or nurse to post proof of the vaccine protocol agreement, including a list of the vaccines authorized by such protocol, in a conspicuous location within the pharmacy~~, local health department,~~ or other setting in which the vaccine is being administered;

~~(16)~~(15) Require the pharmacist or nurse to submit a signed and notarized affidavit to the physician attesting to the following:

(A) Compliance with paragraph ~~(14)~~(13) of this subsection regarding maintenance of liability insurance;

(B) Verification that the pharmacist or nurse holds current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support as required by subsections (b) and (c) of this Code section and, for pharmacists, verification of completion of immunology training as required by subsection (b) of this Code section;

(C) The pharmacist or nurse has a copy of the vaccine protocol agreement and agrees to comply with its requirements; and

(D) Identification of the pharmacist's or nurse's location or locations in which he or she will be administering vaccinations pursuant to the vaccine protocol agreement.

The pharmacist or nurse shall keep a copy of the affidavit onsite at his or her primary location for inspection by the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, upon request. The

Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency shall have the authority to impose sanctions in accordance with subsection (r) of this Code section on any person subject to the requirements of this paragraph who does not submit the information required by this paragraph and to notify the delegating physician and the applicable licensing board for such person of violations of this paragraph; and

~~(17)~~(16) Be renewed and, if necessary, revised or updated biennially by the physician and the pharmacist or nurse. A vaccine protocol agreement that is not renewed biennially shall expire.

(e) A pharmacist who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement pursuant to this Code section shall not delegate the administration of a vaccine to any individual other than a pharmacy intern under the direct supervision of the pharmacist whether or not any such other individual is under the supervision, direct or otherwise, of the pharmacist.

(f) A nurse who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement pursuant to this Code section shall not delegate the administration of a vaccine to any individual, whether or not any such individual is under the supervision, direct or otherwise, of the nurse; provided, however, that notwithstanding the requirement of employment by a physician in paragraph ~~(4)~~(5) of subsection (a) of this Code section, a registered professional nurse who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement pursuant to this Code section may delegate the administration of a vaccine to a licensed practical nurse under the direct on-site supervision of the registered professional nurse.

(g) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a nurse acting pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement as provided in this Code section may possess and transport such vaccine and epinephrine.

(h) A pharmacist or nurse administering vaccines pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement authorized by this Code section shall maintain policies and procedures for the handling and disposal of used or contaminated equipment and supplies.

(i) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to authorize a physician to prescribe any other vaccines or other drugs pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement or vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement other than those vaccines and epinephrine specifically authorized in such vaccine protocol agreement or vaccine order.

(j) A delegating physician may not enter into a vaccine protocol agreement with more than ten pharmacists or nurses, or any combination thereof, at any one time; provided, however, and notwithstanding the geographic limitation provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, a delegating physician may enter into a vaccine protocol agreement with more than ten pharmacists or nurses, or any combination thereof, at any one time so long as the nurses are in the same public health district as established pursuant to Code Section 31-3-15 and the pharmacists and nurses are employees or agents of the same corporate entity.

(k) It shall be unlawful for a physician who is employed by a pharmacist or nurse to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement or otherwise delegate medical acts to such pharmacist or nurse. It shall be unlawful for a physician who is employed by a pharmacy to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement or otherwise delegate medical acts to a pharmacist or nurse who is also employed by such pharmacy.

(l) The board shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations governing a physician who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement in order to carry out the intent and purposes of this Code section. Further, the board shall:

(1) Require that the vaccine protocol agreement, along with the affidavit by the pharmacist or nurse submitted pursuant to paragraph ~~(16)~~(15) of subsection (d) of this Code section and the proof of insurance required pursuant to paragraph ~~(14)~~(13) of subsection (d) of this Code section, be filed by the physician with the board and be made available by the board for public inspection; and

(2) Promulgate by rule an approved standard protocol template that may be utilized as a vaccine protocol agreement and make such template available on the board's website.

(m) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to require a physician to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement. A public or private managed care system, health plan, hospital, insurance company, or similar entity shall not require a physician, pharmacist, or nurse to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement as a condition for participation in or reimbursement from such entity.

(n) No physician who complies with the provisions of this Code section shall be subject to criminal or civil liability or discipline for unprofessional conduct for:

(1) Entering into a vaccine protocol agreement with a pharmacist or nurse;

(2) Issuing a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement with a pharmacist or nurse; or

(3) The acts or omissions of a pharmacist or nurse pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement including the administration of a vaccine or epinephrine.

Nothing in this subsection shall be interpreted as altering liability of an employer for acts of his or her employees.

(o)(1) This Code section shall not apply to any activities conducted ~~within~~ by a hospital, physician's office, nursing home, or other health care facility designated by the ~~department~~ Department of Public Health or conducted within any other facility or entity owned, operated, or leased by a hospital.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, any activities conducted by a hospital or health system for the administration of the influenza vaccine shall not be subject to paragraphs (5) through ~~(9)~~(8), ~~(15)~~(14), or ~~(16)~~(15) of subsection (d) of this Code section as long as the following conditions are met:

(A) A signed and dated consent form by which the vaccine recipient consents to the administration of the vaccine is obtained;

(B) If the vaccine recipient is a patient within the hospital or health system, the administration of the influenza vaccine shall be noted in such patient's health record maintained by the hospital or health system, including, but not limited to, the administering pharmacist's or nurse's name, address, telephone number, and professional license number; the name, dose, manufacturer, and lot number of the vaccine; and the date of administration and injection site;

(C) If the vaccine recipient is not a patient within the hospital or health system, ~~a personal immunization card on card stock paper containing the vaccine recipient's name, the pharmacist's or nurse's name and phone number, the name and dosage of~~

~~the vaccine, the injection site on the vaccine recipient, the date of the administration of the vaccine in legible writing or printed type in a format made available by the Department of Public Health, and written information developed by the Department of Public Health on the importance of having and periodically seeing a primary care physician shall be provided to the vaccine recipient~~ the pharmacist, nurse, or his or her designee shall be required to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services prior to administration of the vaccine and to enter the patient's vaccine information in the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services within the vaccination registry's designated time frame, or as designated by the Department of Public Health; provided, however, that a pharmacist, nurse, or his or her designee shall not be required to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services during:

(i) A declared public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, for any vaccine administered to address the cause of the threat of an illness or health condition or the infectious agent or biological toxin which resulted in such declared public health emergency; or

(ii) A vaccination event for influenza that is anticipated to serve 75 or more patients.

The Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency shall have the authority to impose sanctions in accordance with subsection (r) of this Code section on any person subject to the requirements of this paragraph who does not submit the information required by this paragraph and to notify the delegating physician and the applicable licensing board for such person of violations of this paragraph; and

(D) If requested by the patient, the influenza vaccine shall be administered in an area or location with portable screening, at a minimum.

As used in this paragraph, the term 'health system' means (i) a parent corporation of one or more hospitals and any entity affiliated with such parent corporation through ownership, governance, membership, or other means; or (ii) a hospital and any entity affiliated with such hospital through ownership, governance, membership, or other means.

(p) This Code section shall not be interpreted as limiting the authority of any authorized person to dispense or administer vaccines or other medications.

(q) ~~No vaccine protocol agreement entered into pursuant to this Code section shall permit a pharmacist or nurse to administer any of the following:~~

~~(1) An influenza vaccine to any child under the age of 13 without an individual prescription from a physician;~~

~~(2) A pneumococcal disease vaccine to any child under the age of 18 without an individual prescription from a physician;~~

~~(3) Any vaccines containing a live attenuated virus to a child under the age of 13; or~~

~~(4) A meningitis vaccine to any child under the age of 18.~~

No live attenuated virus shall be administered pursuant to this Code section unless the patient has signed an informed consent that he or she does not have a contraindication to such vaccine. The informed consent form shall list the contraindications to the vaccine. Consent of the child's parent or legal guardian shall be a condition precedent to the

administration of a vaccine to a child under the age of 18.

(r)(1) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(14)~~(13) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be assessed a fine of up to $2,500.00 by the board.

(2) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly administers a vaccine without a vaccine protocol agreement as required by this Code section may be assessed a fine of up to $2,500.00 and may be prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section for up to one year as determined by the board.

(3) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(6)~~(5) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be subject to the following sanctions by the board:

(A) Upon the first violation, the issuance of a warning~~.~~;

(B) Upon the second violation, a fine of up $500.00; and

(C) Upon a third or subsequent violation, prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section for up to one year.

(4) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(15)~~(14) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be subject to the following sanctions by the board:

(A) Upon the first or second violation, the issuance of a warning~~.~~; and

(B) Upon a third or subsequent violation, prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section for up to six months.

(5) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(10)~~(9) or ~~(16)~~(15) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be subject to the following sanctions by the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency:

(A) Upon the first violation, the issuance of a warning;

(B) Upon the second violation, a fine of up to $5,000.00; and

(C) Upon a third or subsequent violation, prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section.

(6) The sanctions contained in this subsection shall be supplemental to any other sanctions or penalties to which a pharmacist or nurse may otherwise be subject."

**SECTION 5.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 6.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Burke of the 11th, Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th and Miller of the 49th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to SB 46 (LC 33 8609S) by striking lines 51 through 68 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

"(e)(1) Individually identifiable vaccination information regarding a person may, without the consent of the person or the person's parents or guardians, be provided to the department by, or released by the department to~~, a~~:

(A) A ~~local~~ health department, hospital, physician, or other provider of medical services to the person; ~~or to~~

(B) A ~~a~~ school or child care facility in which the person is enrolled if the person is 18 years of age or younger; or

(C) For vaccines administered pursuant to a declared public health emergency, a third party that is authorized by law to collect or receive such information for the purpose of averting a serious and imminent threat to life and safety, so long as such third party adheres to state and federal privacy laws ~~without the consent of the person or the person's parents or guardians~~.

(2) All persons shall be enrolled unless a specific exemption is requested by the person or the person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger; provided, however, that no enrollment exemption shall be granted for the vaccination registry for vaccinations administered as a result of a declared public health emergency. A parent or guardian may obtain and upon request to the department shall be provided with all individually identifiable vaccination registry information regarding his or her child or ward. Except as provided otherwise by this Code section, individually identifiable vaccination registry information shall be treated as confidential and shall not be released to a third party without consent of the person or the person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger."

Senators Burke of the 11th and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd offered the following amendment #1A:

Amend floor amendment #1 to the committee substitute to SB 46 by deleting e-1 (C) and inserting in lieu thereof: "(C) For vaccines administered to a declared public health emergency, as defined in OCGA 38-3-51, a third party that is authorized by law to collect and receive such information for the purpose of averting a serious and imminent threat to life and safety, so long as such third party adheres to state and federal privacy laws without the consent of the person or the person's parents or guardians.

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Burke amendment #1A to amendment #1 was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment as amended, there were no objections, and the Burke amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Brass of the 28th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Brass was excused.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute

was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | E Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 3.

SB 46, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/18/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 46. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Brass of the 28th

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. James Smith, M.D.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to SR 82 until

10:00 a.m. Monday, February 22, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

Date: 2/18/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 177, SB 178, SB 175, SB 176.

Signed: /s/ Lee Anderson District: 24th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Jeff Mullis of the 53rd
(Primary Author)

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 111. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Houston of the 170th and Wade of the 9th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to financial institutions, so as to clarify and remove superfluous language; to update terminology; to remove outdated language; to amend Chapter 3 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to installment loans, so as to provide for deferments of installment loans; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Fair Lending Act, so as to update citations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 165. By Representatives Barr of the 103rd, Hitchens of the 161st, Clark of the 147th, Meeks of the 178th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy absorption systems of motor vehicles, so as to allow for the use of mounts on windshields of motor vehicles for the support of wireless telecommunications devices and stand-alone electronic devices under certain circumstances; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 168. By Representatives Petrea of the 166th, Stephens of the 164th, Williamson of the 115th, Fleming of the 121st, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 42-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to confidentiality of information supplied by inmates, penalties for breach, classified nature of department investigation reports, confidentiality of certain identifying information, and custodians of records, so as to provide that certain information within inmate files of the Department of Corrections shall not be classified as confidential state secrets when requested by the district attorney for purposes of responding to proposed actions of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; to provide for a definition; to provide for an exception; to provide for nondisclosure; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 169. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Momtahan of the 17th, Pirkle of the 155th, Watson of the 172nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-147 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirements for issuance of commercial driver's license or instruction permit, administration of skills test

by third party, waiver or exemption, and disqualification and notice, so as to provide for requirements for issuance of a commercial driver's license; to revise the length of validity of a commercial driver's instruction permit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 212. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th, Efstration of the 104th, Gambill of the 15th and Carson of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-39-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons authorized to issue order not to resuscitate, so as to revise parental requirement for consent; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 353. By Representatives Jones of the 25th, Kausche of the 50th, Martin of the 49th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driving on right side of roadway, overtaking and passing, and following too closely, so as to clarify what constitutes an obstruction for purposes of exceptions to when a vehicle is to drive on the right side of the roadway; to provide for proper operation of a motor vehicle when overtaking a bicyclist; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 204. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to allow students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain secondary school coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 205. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Rahman of the 5th, Jackson of the 2nd, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to commerce and trade, so as to prohibit third-party food delivery platforms from charging covered establishments certain fees on food and beverage deliveries; to prohibit the reduction of compensation to food delivery drivers as a result thereof; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 206. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 2nd, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding landlord and tenant, so as to provide that a prospective tenant shall not be refused a rental or lease agreement solely based upon a previous eviction during the COVID-19 public health emergency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 207. By Senators James of the 35th, Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Rhett of the 33rd, Seay of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to designate a week in this state as a "Week of Nonviolence"; to provide for the recognition of such week in remembrance of the April 4, 1968, assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and to commemorate his global legacy of nonviolence; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 208. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Harbison of the 15th, Merritt of the 9th, Rahman of the 5th, Sims of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 37 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the powers and duties of the Department of Behavioral

Health and Developmental Disabilities regarding the governing and regulation of mental health, so as to require the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities to provide fully funded services over a five-year period to individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities who are on the New Options Waiver (NOW) or Comprehensive Supports Waiver (COMP) waiting list; to prohibit the department from capping or limiting community living support services under the COMP waiver; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SB 209. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th, Harrell of the 40th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide that the boundaries of the City of Atlanta independent school systems are not extended by annexation unless expressly approved in a separate local law or intergovernmental agreement; to provide for transfer of students; to provide for ownership of property and buildings; to provide for binding arbitration; to provide for no change in school system boundaries under certain circumstances; to provide for intergovernmental agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 210. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Miller of the 49th, Payne of the 54th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor vehicles; to provide for certain exceptions to the issuance of license plates, application for motor vehicle registration, and the design and display of license plates and revalidation decals; to provide for procedures, conditions, and standards for the issuance and display of digital license plates on motor vehicles; to provide for duties and rights of digital license plate providers; to authorize the adoption of rules and regulations by the Department of Revenue in relation to such license plates and providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

SB 211. By Senator Summers of the 13th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of judge of the probate court of Crisp County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 212. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Harbison of the 15th, Miller of the 49th, Hickman of the 4th, Rhett of the 33rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide for pari-mutuel horse racing in this state at a limited number of licensed equestrian centers; to create the Georgia Horse Racing Commission; to provide for the comprehensive regulation of pari-mutuel and related activities; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to enter into the Interstate Compact on Licensure of Participants in Live Racing with Pari-mutuel Wagering; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 213. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 10 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to contracts and purchases by public schools, so as to provide for payment on guaranteed energy saving contracts by local school systems using proceeds from local option sales taxes collected for educational purposes; to provide for phased implementation of energy or operational cost savings measures; to revise a definition; to amend Chapter 37 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guaranteed energy savings performance contracting, so as to revise definitions; to increase the value percentage threshold applicable to certain improvements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

SB 214. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Hatchett of the 50th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Governor's emergency powers, so as to restrict the use of emergency powers on matters pertaining to firearms and other weapons; to provide for definitions; to provide for a cause of action; to provide for the recovery of damages; provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 21 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state tort claims, so as to waive sovereign immunity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 215. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Burke of the 11th, Butler of the 55th, Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to authorize certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents under certain circumstances; to provide criteria and requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 216. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Harrell of the 40th, Sims of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 1A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to early care and learning, so as to establish an early child care scholarship program subject to appropriations by the General Assembly; to provide for eligibility; to provide for authority to establish procedures, criteria, and guidelines for such program; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 217. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th, Harbison of the 15th, Walker III of the 20th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to bona fide coin operated amusement machines, so as to revise certain regulatory requirements for bona fide coin operated amusement machines; to revise the time and amounts for the payment of operator license fees; to provide for designation of new COAM locations; to clarify penalty provisions; to provide and revise operator license agreement requirements; to provide for exceptions for customer relation marketing funds and fraternal benefit societies; to provide for copies of such agreements to be sent to the Georgia Lottery Corporation; to revise nomenclature from "master" to "operator" in regards to license and licensee references; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 218. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of office, so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 219. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Parent of the 42nd, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide for regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; to provide a definition; to permit small brewers to sell a limited quantity of malt beverages at retail on the premises for consumption on and off of the premises; to provide for the transfer of a limited quantity of malt beverages by small brewers and brewpubs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SR 129. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Robertson of the 29th, Summers of the 13th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Retirement Security for Georgians Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 131. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Harbison of the 15th, Miller of the 49th, Hickman of the 4th, Rhett of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to authorize the General Assembly to provide by law for pari-mutuel betting on horse racing; to provide for the disposition of licensing and taxation revenues from such activities; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SR 134. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SR 135. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Cowsert of the 46th:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, so as to provide for sports betting in this state; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 111. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Houston of the 170th and Wade of the 9th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to financial institutions, so as to clarify and remove superfluous language; to update terminology; to remove outdated language; to amend Chapter 3 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia

Annotated, relating to installment loans, so as to provide for deferments of installment loans; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Fair Lending Act, so as to update citations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions.

HB 165. By Representatives Barr of the 103rd, Hitchens of the 161st, Clark of the 147th, Meeks of the 178th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy absorption systems of motor vehicles, so as to allow for the use of mounts on windshields of motor vehicles for the support of wireless telecommunications devices and stand-alone electronic devices under certain circumstances; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

HB 168. By Representatives Petrea of the 166th, Stephens of the 164th, Williamson of the 115th, Fleming of the 121st, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 42-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to confidentiality of information supplied by inmates, penalties for breach, classified nature of department investigation reports, confidentiality of certain identifying information, and custodians of records, so as to provide that certain information within inmate files of the Department of Corrections shall not be classified as confidential state secrets when requested by the district attorney for purposes of responding to proposed actions of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; to provide for a definition; to provide for an exception; to provide for nondisclosure; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 169. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Momtahan of the 17th, Pirkle of the 155th, Watson of the 172nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-147 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirements for issuance of commercial driver's license or instruction permit, administration of skills test by third party, waiver or exemption, and disqualification and notice, so as to provide for

requirements for issuance of a commercial driver's license; to revise the length of validity of a commercial driver's instruction permit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 212. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th, Efstration of the 104th, Gambill of the 15th and Carson of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-39-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons authorized to issue order not to resuscitate, so as to revise parental requirement for consent; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 353. By Representatives Jones of the 25th, Kausche of the 50th, Martin of the 49th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driving on right side of roadway, overtaking and passing, and following too closely, so as to clarify what constitutes an obstruction for purposes of exceptions to when a vehicle is to drive on the right side of the roadway; to provide for proper operation of a motor vehicle when overtaking a bicyclist; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 157 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Walker III of the 20th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 157 | Do Pass | HB 172 | Do Pass |
| HB 331 | Do Pass | HB 357 | Do Pass |
| HB 361 | Do Pass | HB 375 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 265 | SB 28 | SB 40 | SB 42 | SB 51 | SB 59 |
| SB 67 | SB 75 | SB 89 | SB 90 | SB 105 | SB 114 |
| SB 115 | SB 116 | SB 119 | SB 148 | SB 184 | SB 188 |
| SR 11 | SR 62 | | | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Butler of the 55th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Butler was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Halpern | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Parent |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Payne |
| Au | Harrell | Rahman |
| Beach | Hatchett | Rhett |
| Brass | Hickman | Robertson |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Seay |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Sims |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Davenport | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dixon | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dolezal | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Dugan | Lucas | Watson |
| Ginn | McNeill | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Jackson, L. (Excused) | James (Excused) | Jones II (Excused) |
| Orrock (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Tippins (Excused) |
| Gooch | Harbin | Miller |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. Charles Gardner of Atlanta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Au of the 48th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Michael Bakheet, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 130. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jackson of the 2nd, Lucas of the 26th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Tyler Perry; and for other purposes.

SR 132. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Miller of the 49th, Merritt of the 9th, Gooch of the 51st, McNeill of the 3rd and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Game Warden Ryan Locke of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources on being named the Law Enforcement Division's 2020 Game Warden of the Year; and for other purposes.

SR 133. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia Forestry Commission for 100 years of service to the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Monday February 22, 2021
Twentieth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 157 Hatchett of the 50th
**MOUNT AIRY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Mount Airy; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the town; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 172 Kennedy of the 18th
**CULLODEN**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the City of Culloden in the County of Monroe, approved October 24, 1887 (Ga. L. 1886-87, Vol. II, p. 655), as amended, particularly by an Act approved December 24, 1888 (Ga. L. 1888, p. 229), an Act approved April 4, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 5207), and an Act approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3685), so as to reduce the city council to five members; to define the term "councilmember"; to provide for four-year terms of office for the mayor and councilmembers; to provide for

quorum and voting requirements of the city council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 331 Burns of the 23rd
**SARDIS**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sardis; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 357 Burke of the 11th
**PELHAM**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Pelham, approved April 28, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3859), so as to reduce the size of the city council; to revise the power of the mayor to vote at city council meetings; to revise when newly elected mayors or council members take office; to provide for election by plurality of votes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 361 Sims of the 12th
**EDISON**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Edison; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 375 Anavitarte of the 31st
Dugan of the 30th
**BREMEN**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Bremen to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | E Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 45, nays 4.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

Feb. 22, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on the Local Consent Calendar. Had I been present, I would have voted yea.

/s/ Burke of the 11th

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021
## TWENTIETH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SR 28 United States Congress; call a convention; limit on the number of terms that

a person may be elected; United States House of Representatives; request (GvtO-46th)

SR 29 Article V of the United States Constitution; a convention of the states; apply to Congress for balanced budget amendment (GvtO-46th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 28. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A RESOLUTION requesting that the United States Congress call a convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 34, nays 20.

SR 28, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

SR 29. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION applying for a convention of the states under Article V of the United States Constitution; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 34, nays 20.

SR 29, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 23, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
Twenty-first Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 98. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Blackmon of the 146th, Fleming of the 121st, Oliver of the 82nd, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 150. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Kelley of the 16th, Frazier of the 126th, Parsons of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 156. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Martin of the 49th, Kelley of the

16th, Smith of the 133rd, Nix of the 69th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 38 and 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs and state government, respectively, so as to facilitate the sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; to require governmental agencies and utilities to report any cyber attacks to the director of emergency management and homeland security; to provide for definitions; to provide for the director to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for proceedings related to cybersecurity to be held in executive session; to provide for certain information, data, and reports related to cybersecurity and cyber attacks to be exempt from public disclosure and inspection; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 234. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Lott of the 122nd, Smyre of the 135th, Gunter of the 8th, Newton of the 123rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide an option for self-funded healthcare plans, exempt from state regulation under federal law, to opt in to Georgia's Surprise Billing Consumer Protection Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 268. By Representatives Werkheiser of the 157th, Lott of the 122nd, Belton of the 112th, Bennett of the 94th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 28 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to occupational therapists, so as to revise licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact"; to authorize the State Board of Occupational Therapy to administer the compact in this state; to provide definitions; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 273. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled

spirits, so as to provide an additional method of initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 307. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Lott of the 122nd, Gaines of the 117th, Frye of the 118th, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to revise the "Georgia Telehealth Act"; to revise definitions; to authorize health care providers to provide telemedicine services from home; to authorize patients to receive telemedicine services from their home, workplace, or school; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 362. By Representatives Rhodes of the 120th, Watson of the 172nd, LaHood of the 175th, Petrea of the 166th and LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-2-2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Environmental Protection Division, Environmental Advisory Council, duties of council and its members and director, appeal procedures generally, permit applications, and inspections, so as to revise an effective date for standards, rules, and regulations; to amend Title 27 of the O.C.G.A., relating to game and fish, so as to revise a defined term; to amend Code Section 52-7-26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to penalty regarding registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, so as to revise the effective date of rules and regulations related to penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 220. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide

for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 221. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to provide for a definition; to provide for leadership committees; to provide for chairpersons; to provide that such committees may receive contributions and make expenditures; to provide for disposition of assets in certain circumstances; to provide for filings and reports; to provide an exception from contribution limits; to provide for certain notices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SB 222. By Senators Summers of the 13th, Walker III of the 20th, Sims of the 12th, Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state symbols, so as to designate the pecan as the official state nut; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 223. By Senators Robertson of the 29th and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to probation management, so as to enact the "Community Rebound Act"; to provide a short title; to provide definitions; to provide for the allocation of funds; to provide for incentives; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 224. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Au of the 48th, Jackson of the 41st, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for public property, so as to require the distribution of paper based products at cafeterias operated by the Georgia Building Authority; to provide for an exception; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 225. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Rhett of the 33rd, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a veteran's license plate to individuals who served in the armed forces for an ally of the United States during active military combat; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

SB 226. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sale or distribution of harmful materials to minors, so as to provide that the provisions of Code Section 16-12-103 shall be applicable to libraries operated by schools; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 227. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 2nd and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 22 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding eminent domain, so as to provide for an alternative process for a county, municipality, or consolidated government to condemn certain blighted properties; to provide for definitions; to provide for procedures; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 228. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and Thompson of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to prohibit intentional misrepresentations by certain digital application distribution platforms with regard to the offering of applications and services used by residents of this state; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

SB 229. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Au of the 48th, Jordan of the 6th, Parent of the 42nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-11-127.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to carrying weapons within school safety zones, at school functions, or on a bus or other transportation furnished by a school, so as to repeal the authorization for the carrying and possession of handguns in certain manners by weapons carry license holders in certain buildings or on real property owned by or leased to public institutions of postsecondary education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 230. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th, Orrock of the 36th, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 12 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions relative to solid waste management, so as to provide for conditions for the issuance of a permit for solid waste or special waste handling for a coal combustion unit or landfill; to amend Part 3 of Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to damage and intrusion on property relative to criminal trespass and damage to property; to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to county sales and use tax relative to county special purpose local option sales tax, relating to procedure for imposition of tax, resolution or ordinance, notice to county election superintendent, and election; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 231. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Parent of the 42nd, Albers of the 56th, Halpern of the 39th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for a pilot program to allow for certain adults to enroll in charter schools that provide instruction only for individuals between ages 21 and 35 residing in this state who have not attained a high school diploma; to provide for an exception to the maximum age of eligibility for enrollment; to authorize local boards of education or the State Charter Schools Commission to approve charter schools that serve only individuals between ages 21 and 35 residing in this state who have not attained a high school diploma; to provide for funding for such charter schools; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for a repealer; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 232. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Thompson of the 14th, McNeill of the 3rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to require unique bar codes on individual absentee ballots; to revise provisions regarding the preparation and mailing of absentee ballot envelopes; to provide an oath for registrars and absentee ballot clerks opening and verifying absentee ballots; to require voters to provide a copy of certain forms of identification with their absentee ballots; to require a witness signature to the elector's oath on absentee ballots; to provide for a period for a voter to cure a defect related to the identification provided by the voter; to revise provisions regarding the opening, review, and verification of absentee ballots; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 233. By Senators Jones of the 25th, Beach of the 21st, Harbin of the 16th, Brass of the 28th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide for new voting systems for use in elections in this state; to provide for definitions; to provide for the qualifications of such systems; to provide for the reimbursement of certain costs; to provide for ballot marking devices; to provide

for in-person voting by paper ballot; to provide for audits; to repeal provisions of law authorizing the use of voting machines; to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 234. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to provide for uniform laws governing mediation and participants in mediation; to provide for definitions; to provide for privileges against disclosure, admissibility, and discovery; to provide for waiver and preclusion of privilege; to provide for exceptions to privilege; to provide for confidentiality and mediator disclosure of conflicts; to provide for international commercial mediation and electronic signatures; to provide for uniformity of construction and severability; to provide for applicability; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 235. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Cowsert of the 46th, Harbison of the 15th, Kennedy of the 18th and Goodman of the 8th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to revise the offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; to clarify application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SR 136. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Payne of the 54th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION encouraging the Technical College System of Georgia, the Department of Education, the Department of Corrections, and the Department of Juvenile Justice to collaborate and develop programs to expand technical education, technical training, and workforce development training programs in order to address the growing economic and social needs created by individuals age 16 and older who have withdrawn from high school without completing

course requirements for a high school diploma; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SR 138. By Senators James of the 35th, Butler of the 55th, Seay of the 34th, Jones of the 10th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring Mr. Henry "Hank" Louis Aaron and dedicating a road in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 98. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Blackmon of the 146th, Fleming of the 121st, Oliver of the 82nd, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology.

HB 150. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Kelley of the 16th, Frazier of the 126th, Parsons of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 156. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Martin of the 49th, Kelley of the 16th, Smith of the 133rd, Nix of the 69th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 38 and 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans

affairs and state government, respectively, so as to facilitate the sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; to require governmental agencies and utilities to report any cyber attacks to the director of emergency management and homeland security; to provide for definitions; to provide for the director to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for proceedings related to cybersecurity to be held in executive session; to provide for certain information, data, and reports related to cybersecurity and cyber attacks to be exempt from public disclosure and inspection; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

HB 234. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Lott of the 122nd, Smyre of the 135th, Gunter of the 8th, Newton of the 123rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide an option for self-funded healthcare plans, exempt from state regulation under federal law, to opt in to Georgia's Surprise Billing Consumer Protection Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 268. By Representatives Werkheiser of the 157th, Lott of the 122nd, Belton of the 112th, Bennett of the 94th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 28 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to occupational therapists, so as to revise licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact"; to authorize the State Board of Occupational Therapy to administer the compact in this state; to provide definitions; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 273. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits,

so as to provide an additional method of initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 307. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Lott of the 122nd, Gaines of the 117th, Frye of the 118th, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to revise the "Georgia Telehealth Act"; to revise definitions; to authorize health care providers to provide telemedicine services from home; to authorize patients to receive telemedicine services from their home, workplace, or school; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 362. By Representatives Rhodes of the 120th, Watson of the 172nd, LaHood of the 175th, Petrea of the 166th and LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-2-2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Environmental Protection Division, Environmental Advisory Council, duties of council and its members and director, appeal procedures generally, permit applications, and inspections, so as to revise an effective date for standards, rules, and regulations; to amend Title 27 of the O.C.G.A., relating to game and fish, so as to revise a defined term; to amend Code Section 52-7-26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to penalty regarding registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, so as to revise the effective date of rules and regulations related to penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following

legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 47 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 66 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 159 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

To: David Cook, Secretary of the Senate
From: Elena Parent
Re: Minority Report on SB 47
Date: February 23, 2021

Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.6, I hereby give notice that I will introduce a minority report to be read along with the majority report of Senate Bill 47.

/s/ Elena C. Parent
Sen. Elena Parent, District 42

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 93 | Do Pass |
| SB 141 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SR 100 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

To: David Cook, Secretary of the Senate
From: Gloria Butler
Re: Minority Report on SB 93
Date: February 23, 2021

Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.6, I hereby give notice that I will introduce a minority report to be read along with the majority report of Senate Bill 93.

/s/ Gloria Butler
Sen. Gloria Butler, District 55

To: David Cook, Secretary of the Senate
From: Gloria Butler
Re: Minority Report on SB 141
Date: February 23, 2021

Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.6, I hereby give notice that I will introduce a minority report to be read along with the majority report of Senate Bill 141.

/s/ Gloria Butler
Sen. Gloria Butler, District 55

To: David Cook, Secretary of the Senate
From: Gloria Butler
Re: Minority Report on SR 100
Date: February 23, 2021

Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.6, I hereby give notice that I will introduce a minority report to be read along with the majority report of Senate Resolution 100.

/s/ Gloria Butler
Sen. Gloria Butler, District 55

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 193 | Do Pass |
| SB 201 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 120 | Do Pass |
| SB 144 | Do Pass |
| SR 37 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 78 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 85 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 143 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations (General) has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 129 | Do Pass |
| SB 182 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security has had under consideration

the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 105 Do Pass
SB 96 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SB 157

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Sims of the 12th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Sims was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Kirkpatrick was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Orrock |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Payne |
| Brass | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Summers |

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| Dixon | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Ginn | Lucas | Walker |
| Gooch | McNeill | Watson |
| Goodman | | |

Not answering were Senators:

James (Excused) Kirkpatrick (Excused) Sims (Excused)
Tate (Excused)

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Tippins of the 37th introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Matt Petty of Powder Springs, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Butler of the 55th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Lateefah Watford, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 137. By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Walker III of the 20th, Burns of the 23rd, Hickman of the 4th and Lucas of the 26th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Christine Rathod upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 139. By Senator Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Bill Malone upon the grand occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 140. By Senator Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Belinda Davis upon the grand occasion of her retirement in 2018; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross SB 40, SB 67, SB 184, and SB 188 which were on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Parent of the 42nd objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and SB 40, SB 67, SB 184, and SB 188 were engrossed.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021
## TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SB 67 | Elections and Primaries; submission of identification in connection with absentee ballot applications; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-20th) |
| SB 188 | Elections and Primaries; election results reporting system to be established and maintained by the Secretary of State; provide (ETHICS-46th) |
| SB 40 | Elections and Primaries; the time and method for opening and tabulating absentee ballots; revise (Substitute)(ETHICS-6th) |
| SB 184 | Elections and Primaries; inputting credit for voting data; revise the time (ETHICS-46th) |

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 67. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the submission of identification in connection with absentee ballot applications; to provide for the submission of photocopies of voter identification documents for absentee ballot applications; to provide for requesting of absentee ballot applications through a web portal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 67:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the submission of identification in connection with absentee ballot applications; to provide for the submission of photocopies of voter identification documents for absentee ballot applications; to remove signature comparisons; to provide for requesting of absentee ballot applications through a web portal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising Code Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons entitled to make application, as follows:

"21-2-381.

(a)(1)(A) Except as otherwise provided in Code Section 21-2-219, not more than 180 days prior to the date of the primary or election, or runoff of either, in which the elector desires to vote, any absentee elector may make, either by mail, by facsimile

transmission, by electronic transmission, or in person in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office, an application for an official ballot of the elector's precinct to be voted at such primary, election, or runoff.

(B) In the case of an elector residing temporarily out of the county or municipality or a physically disabled elector residing within the county or municipality, the application for the elector's absentee ballot may, upon satisfactory proof of relationship, be made by such elector's mother, father, grandparent, aunt, uncle, sister, brother, spouse, son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law of the age of 18 or over.

(C) The application shall be in writing and shall contain sufficient information for proper identification of the elector; the permanent or temporary address of the elector to which the absentee ballot shall be mailed; the identity of the primary, election, or runoff in which the elector wishes to vote; and the name and relationship of the person requesting the ballot if other than the elector. Except for an elector who is entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended, the application shall also provide either:

(i) The elector's date of birth and the elector's Georgia driver's license number or the elector's personal identification card number for a personal identification card that is issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40; or

(ii) A photocopy of one of the forms of identification specified in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-417.

If the elector registered to vote by mail but did not comply with subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-220 and is voting for the first time in this state, the application shall contain a photocopy of one of the forms of identification specified in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417. If the elector fails to include a photocopy of one of the forms of identification required in this subparagraph or if the photocopy is not legible, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall so advise the elector promptly and the elector shall be allowed to correct the problem. Electors who vote at an advance voting location during the period of advance voting specified in Code Section 21-2-385 shall comply with the identification requirements of this subparagraph by exhibiting the appropriate form of identification to poll officials at the advance voting location.

(D) Except in the case of physically disabled electors residing in the county or municipality or electors in custody in a jail or other detention facility in the county or municipality, no absentee ballot shall be mailed to an address other than the permanent mailing address of the elector as recorded on the elector's voter registration record or a temporary out-of-county or out-of-municipality address.

(E) Relatives applying for absentee ballots for electors must also sign an oath stating that facts in the application are true.

(F) ~~If the elector is unable to fill out or sign such elector's own application because of illiteracy or physical disability, the elector shall make such elector's mark, and the~~

~~person filling in the rest of the application shall sign such person's name below it as a witness~~ Reserved.

(G) Any elector meeting criteria of advanced age or disability specified by rule or regulation of the State Election Board or any elector who is entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, ~~42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff~~ 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended, may request in writing on one application a ballot for a presidential preference primary held pursuant to Article 5 of this chapter and for a primary as well as for any runoffs resulting therefrom and for the election for which such primary shall nominate candidates as well as any runoffs resulting therefrom. If not so requested by such person, a separate and distinct application shall be required for each primary, run-off primary, election, and run-off election. Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, a separate and distinct application for an absentee ballot shall always be required for any special election or special primary.

(2) A properly executed registration card submitted under the provisions of subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-219, if submitted within 180 days of a primary or election in which the registrant is entitled to vote, shall be considered to be an application for an absentee ballot under this Code section, or for a special absentee ballot under Code Section 21-2-381.1, as appropriate.

(3) Reserved.

(4) In extraordinary circumstances as described in Code Section 21-2-543.1, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall determine if the applicants are eligible to vote under this Code section and shall either mail or issue the absentee ballots for the election for representative in the United States Congress to an individual entitled to make application for absentee ballot under subsection (d) of this Code section the same day any such application is received, so long as the application is received by 3:00 P.M., otherwise no later than the next business day following receipt of the application. Any valid absentee ballot shall be accepted and processed so long as the ballot is received by the registrar or absentee ballot clerk not later than 45 days after the ballot is transmitted to the absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter, but in no event later than 11 days following the date of the election.

(b)(1) Upon receipt of a timely application for an absentee ballot, a registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall enter thereon the date received. The registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall determine, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, if the applicant is eligible to vote in the primary or election involved. In order to be found eligible to vote an absentee ballot by mail, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the identifying information on the application with the information on file in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office and~~, if the application is signed by the elector, compare the signature or mark of the elector on the application with the signature or mark of the elector on the elector's voter registration card~~ verify the elector's identity based upon the identification provided by the elector in accordance with this Code section. In order to be found eligible to vote an absentee ballot in person at the registrar's office or absentee ballot clerk's office, such person shall show

one of the forms of identification listed in Code Section 21-2-417 and the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the identifying information on the application with the information on file in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office.

(2) If found eligible, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall certify by signing in the proper place on the application and then:

(A) Shall mail the ballot as provided in this Code section;

(B) If the application is made in person, shall issue the ballot to the elector within the confines of the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office as required by Code Section 21-2-383 if the ballot is issued during the advance voting period established pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385; or

(C) May deliver the ballot in person to the elector if such elector is confined to a hospital.

(3) If found ineligible, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or the board of registrars~~ shall deny the application by writing the reason for rejection in the proper space on the application and shall promptly notify the applicant in writing of the ground of ineligibility, a copy of which notification should be retained on file in the registrar's ~~office of the board of registrars~~ or absentee ballot ~~clerk~~ clerk's office for at least one year. ~~However, an absentee ballot application shall not be rejected due to an apparent mismatch between the signature of the elector on the application and the signature of the elector on file with the board of registrars. In such cases, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall send the elector a provisional absentee ballot with the designation 'Provisional Ballot' on the outer oath envelope and information prepared by the Secretary of State as to the process to be followed to cure the signature discrepancy. If such ballot is returned to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election, the elector may cure the signature discrepancy by submitting an affidavit to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk along with a copy of one of the forms of identification enumerated in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 before the close of the period for verifying provisional ballots contained in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-419. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be sufficient, the absentee ballot shall be counted as other absentee ballots. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be insufficient, then the procedure contained in Code Section 21-2-386 shall be followed for rejected absentee ballots.~~

(4) If the registrar or absentee ballot clerk is unable to determine the identity of the elector from information given on the application, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk should promptly write to request additional information.

(5) In the case of an unregistered applicant who is eligible to register to vote, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or the board~~ shall immediately mail a blank registration card as provided by Code Section 21-2-223, and such applicant, if otherwise qualified, shall be deemed eligible to vote by absentee ballot in such primary or election, if the registration card, properly completed, is returned to the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or the board~~ on or before the last day for registering

to vote in such primary or election. If the closing date for registration in the primary or election concerned has not passed, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or registrar~~ shall also mail a ballot to the applicant, as soon as it is prepared and available; and the ballot shall be cast in such primary or election if returned to the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or board~~ not later than the close of the polls on the day of the primary or election concerned.

(c) In those counties or municipalities in which the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or board of registrars~~ provides application forms for absentee ballots, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk ~~or board~~ shall provide such quantity of the application form to the dean of each college or university located in that county as said dean determines necessary for the students of such college or university.

(d)(1) A citizen of the United States permanently residing outside the United States is entitled to make application for an absentee ballot from Georgia and to vote by absentee ballot in any election for presidential electors and United States senator or representative in Congress:

(A) If such citizen was last domiciled in Georgia immediately before his or her departure from the United States; and

(B) If such citizen could have met all qualifications, except any qualification relating to minimum voting age, to vote in federal elections even though, while residing outside the United States, he or she does not have a place of abode or other address in Georgia.

(2) An individual is entitled to make application for an absentee ballot under paragraph (1) of this subsection even if such individual's intent to return to Georgia may be uncertain, ~~as~~ so long as:

(A) He or she has complied with all applicable Georgia qualifications and requirements which are consistent with the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, ~~42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff~~ 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended, concerning absentee registration for and voting by absentee ballots;

(B) He or she does not maintain a domicile, is not registered to vote, and is not voting in any other state or election district of a state or territory or in any territory or possession of the United States; and

(C) He or she has a valid passport or card of identity and registration issued under the authority of the Secretary of State of the United States or, in lieu thereof, an alternative form of identification consistent with the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, ~~42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff~~ 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended, and applicable state requirements, if a citizen does not possess a valid passport or card of identity and registration.

(e) The State Election Board is authorized to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations for the implementation of paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section. Said rules and regulations may include provisions for the limitation of opportunities for fraudulent application, including, but not limited to, comparison of voter registration records with death certificates.

(f) The Secretary of State is authorized to establish a web portal by which an elector who has a Georgia driver's license or a personal identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 may submit a request for an absentee ballot by giving such elector's date of birth and either such elector's Georgia driver's license number or a personal identification card number for personal identification cards issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40. Upon verifying such information, the Secretary of State shall forward such information to the elector's county of residence for the issuance of an absentee ballot. The Secretary of State shall not issue absentee ballots."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 18.

SB 67, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 188. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for an election results reporting system to be established and maintained by the Secretary of State; to provide for the submission of certain information to such reporting system by county superintendents; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 34, nays 18.

SB 188, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/23/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 188. Had I been

present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Gooch of the 51st

SB 40. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th, Jones II of the 22nd, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the time and method for opening and tabulating absentee ballots; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 40:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the time and method for opening and tabulating absentee ballots; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising Code Section 21-2-386, relating to safekeeping, certification, and validation of absentee ballots, rejection of ballot, delivery of ballots to manager, duties of managers, precinct returns, and notification of challenged elector, as follows:

"21-2-386.

(a)(1)(A) The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall keep safely, unopened, and stored in a manner that will prevent tampering and unauthorized access all official absentee ballots received from absentee electors prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election except as otherwise provided in this subsection.

(B) Upon receipt of each ballot, a registrar or clerk shall write the day and hour of the receipt of the ballot on its envelope. The registrar or clerk shall then compare the identifying information on the oath with the information on file in his or her office, shall compare the signature or mark on the oath with the signature or mark on the absentee elector's voter registration card or the most recent update to such absentee elector's voter registration card and application for absentee ballot or a

facsimile of said signature or mark taken from said card or application, and shall, if the information and signature appear to be valid and other identifying information appears to be correct, so certify by signing or initialing his or her name below the voter's oath. Each elector's name so certified shall be listed by the registrar or clerk on the numbered list of absentee voters prepared for his or her precinct.

(C) If the elector has failed to sign the oath, or if the signature does not appear to be valid, or if the elector has failed to furnish required information or information so furnished does not conform with that on file in the registrar's or clerk's office, or if the elector is otherwise found disqualified to vote, the registrar or clerk shall write across the face of the envelope 'Rejected,' giving the reason therefor. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector of such rejection, a copy of which notification shall be retained in the files of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk for at least two years. Such elector shall have until the end of the period for verifying provisional ballots contained in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-419 to cure the problem resulting in the rejection of the ballot. The elector may cure a failure to sign the oath, an invalid signature, or missing information by submitting an affidavit to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk along with a copy of one of the forms of identification enumerated in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 before the close of such period. The affidavit shall affirm that the ballot was submitted by the elector, is the elector's ballot, and that the elector is registered and qualified to vote in the primary, election, or runoff in question. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be sufficient, the absentee ballot shall be counted.

(D) An elector who registered to vote by mail, but did not comply with subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-220, and who votes for the first time in this state by absentee ballot shall include with his or her application for an absentee ballot or in the outer oath envelope of his or her absentee ballot either one of the forms of identification listed in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-417 or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of such elector. If such elector does not provide any of the forms of identification listed in this subparagraph with his or her application for an absentee ballot or with the absentee ballot, such absentee ballot shall be deemed to be a provisional ballot and such ballot shall only be counted if the registrars are able to verify current and valid identification of the elector as provided in this subparagraph within the time period for verifying provisional ballots pursuant to Code Section 21-2-419. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector that such ballot is deemed a provisional ballot and shall provide information on the types of identification needed and how and when such identification is to be submitted to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk to verify the ballot.

(E) Three copies of the numbered list of voters shall also be prepared for such rejected absentee electors, giving the name of the elector and the reason for the rejection in each case. Three copies of the numbered list of certified absentee voters

and three copies of the numbered list of rejected absentee voters for each precinct shall be turned over to the poll manager in charge of counting the absentee ballots and shall be distributed as required by law for numbered lists of voters.

(F) All absentee ballots returned to the board or absentee ballot clerk after the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election shall be safely kept unopened by the board or absentee ballot clerk and then transferred to the appropriate clerk for storage for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots used at the primary or election and shall then, without being opened, be destroyed in like manner as the used ballots of the primary or election. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector by first-class mail that the elector's ballot was returned too late to be counted and that the elector will not receive credit for voting in the primary or election. All such late absentee ballots shall be delivered to the appropriate clerk and stored as provided in Code Section 21-2-390.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, until the United States Department of Defense notifies the Secretary of State that the Department of Defense has implemented a system of expedited absentee voting for those electors covered by this subparagraph, absentee ballots cast in a primary, election, or runoff by eligible absentee electors who reside outside the county or municipality in which the primary, election, or runoff is held and are members of the armed forces of the United States, members of the merchant marine of the United States, spouses or dependents of members of the armed forces or merchant marine residing with or accompanying such members, or overseas citizens that are postmarked by the date of such primary, election, or runoff and are received within the three-day period following such primary, election, or runoff, if proper in all other respects, shall be valid ballots and shall be counted and included in the certified election results.

(2) Beginning ~~After the opening of the polls~~ on the ~~day of~~ second Monday prior to the primary, election, or runoff, the registrars or absentee ballot clerks shall ~~be authorized to~~ open the outer absentee ballot envelope on which is printed the oath of the elector in such a manner as not to destroy the oath printed thereon~~; provided, however, that the registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall not be authorized to~~ and remove the contents of such outer envelope ~~or to~~ and open the inner envelope marked 'Official Absentee Ballot~~,~~' ~~except~~ and tabulate the ballot as otherwise provided in this Code section. At least three persons who are registrars, deputy registrars, poll workers, or absentee ballot clerks must be present before commencing; and three persons who are registrars, deputy registrars, or absentee ballot clerks shall be present at all times while the ~~outer envelopes~~ absentee ballots are being opened and scanned. ~~After opening the outer envelopes, the ballots shall be safely and securely stored until the time for tabulating such ballots.~~

(3) ~~A county election superintendent may, in his or her discretion, after 7:00 A.M. on the day of the primary, election, or runoff open the inner envelopes in accordance with the procedures prescribed in this subsection and begin tabulating the absentee ballots. If the county election superintendent chooses to open the inner envelopes and~~

~~begin tabulating such ballots prior to the close of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, the superintendent shall notify in writing, at least seven days prior to the primary, election, or runoff, the Secretary of State of the superintendent's intent to begin the absentee ballot tabulation prior to the close of the polls.~~ The county executive committee or, if there is no organized county executive committee, the state executive committee of each political party and political body having candidates whose names appear on the ballot for such election in such county shall have the right to designate two persons to act as monitors, and each independent and nonpartisan candidate whose name appears on the ballot for such election in such county shall have the right to designate one person to act ~~as monitors~~ as a monitor for ~~such process~~ the process of opening and scanning the absentee ballots. In the event that the only issue to be voted upon in an election is a referendum question, the superintendent shall ~~also~~ notify in writing the chief judge of the superior court of the county on or before the third Monday prior to such election who shall appoint two electors of the county to monitor such process.

(4) ~~The county election superintendent shall publish a written notice in the superintendent's office of the superintendent's intent to begin the absentee ballot tabulation prior to the close of the polls and publish such notice at least one week prior to the primary, election, or runoff in the legal organ of the county~~ Reserved.

(5) The process for opening the inner envelopes of and tabulating absentee ballots beginning on the ~~day of~~ second Monday prior to a primary, election, or runoff as provided in this subsection shall be a confidential process to maintain the secrecy of all ballots and to protect the disclosure of any balloting information before 7:00 P.M. on election day. ~~No absentee ballots shall be tabulated before 7:00 A.M. on the day of a primary, election, or runoff.~~

(6) None of the ~~All~~ persons conducting the tabulation of absentee ballots ~~during the day of a primary, election, or runoff~~, including the vote review panel required by Code Section 21-2-483, and ~~all monitors and observers shall be sequestered until the time for the closing of the polls. All such persons shall have no contact with the news media; shall have no contact with other persons not involved in monitoring, observing, or conducting the tabulation; shall not use any type of communication device including radios, telephones, and cellular telephones; shall not utilize computers for the purpose of e-mail, instant messaging, or other forms of communication; and~~ no monitors or observers shall ~~not~~ communicate any information concerning the tabulation until the time for the closing of the polls; provided, however, that supervisory and technical assistance personnel shall be permitted to ~~enter and leave the area in which~~ perform any necessary duties while the tabulation is being conducted but shall not communicate any information concerning the tabulation to anyone other than the county election superintendent; the staff of the superintendent; those persons conducting, observing, or monitoring the tabulation; and those persons whose technical assistance is needed for the tabulation process to operate.

(7) The absentee ballots shall be tabulated in accordance with the procedures of this

chapter for the tabulation of absentee ballots. As such ballots are tabulated, they shall be placed into locked ballot boxes and may be transferred to locked ballot bags, if needed, for security. The persons conducting the tabulation of the absentee ballots shall not cause the tabulating equipment to produce any count, partial or otherwise, of the absentee votes cast until the time for the closing of the polls.

(b) When requested by the superintendent but not earlier than the second Monday prior to a primary, election, or runoff, ~~As soon as practicable after 7:00 A.M. on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, in precincts other than those in which optical scanning tabulators are used~~ a registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall deliver the official absentee ballot of each certified absentee elector, each rejected absentee ballot, applications for such ballots, and copies of the numbered lists of certified and rejected absentee electors to the ~~manager in charge of the absentee ballot precinct of the county or municipality, which shall be located in the precincts containing the county courthouse or polling place designated by the municipal superintendent. In those precincts in which optical scanning tabulators are used, such absentee ballots shall be taken to the tabulation center or other place~~ location designated by the superintendent, and the superintendent or official receiving such absentee ballots and materials shall issue his or her receipt therefor. ~~Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, in no event shall the counting of the ballots begin before the polls close.~~

(c) The superintendent shall cause the certified absentee ballots to be opened and tabulated as provided in this Code section. A ~~Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, after the close of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, a~~ manager shall ~~then~~ open the outer envelope of the absentee ballot in such manner as not to destroy the oath printed thereon and shall deposit the inner envelope containing the absentee ballot marked 'Official Absentee Ballot' in a ballot box reserved for absentee ballots. In the event that an outer envelope is found to contain an absentee ballot that is not in an inner envelope, the ballot shall be sealed in an inner envelope, initialed and dated by the person sealing the inner envelope, and deposited in the ballot box and counted in the same manner as other absentee ballots, provided that such ballot is otherwise proper. A ~~Such~~ manager with two assistant managers, appointed by the superintendent, with such clerks as the manager deems necessary shall count the absentee ballots following the procedures prescribed by this chapter for other ballots, insofar as practicable~~, and prepare an election return for the county or municipality showing the results of the absentee ballots cast in such county or municipality~~.

(d) All absentee ballots shall be counted and tabulated in such a manner that returns may be reported by precinct; and separate returns shall be made for each precinct in which absentee ballots were cast showing the results by each precinct in which the electors reside.

(e) If an absentee elector's right to vote has been challenged for cause, a poll officer shall write 'Challenged,' the elector's name, and the alleged cause of challenge on the outer envelope and shall deposit the ballot in a secure, sealed ballot box; and it shall be counted as other challenged ballots are counted. Where direct recording electronic voting systems are used for absentee balloting and a challenge to an elector's right to

vote is made prior to the time that the elector votes, the elector shall vote on a paper or optical scanning ballot and such ballot shall be handled as provided in this subsection. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector of such challenge.

(f) It shall be unlawful at any time prior to the close of the polls for any person to disclose or for any person to receive any information regarding the results of the tabulation of absentee ballots except as expressly provided by law."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 40, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 184. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the time for inputting credit for voting data; to provide for sanctions for failure to meet deadlines; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 37, nays 15.

SB 184, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/23/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 184. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Gooch of the 51st

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, February 24, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, February 24, 2021
Twenty-second Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ATLANTA 30334-0900

Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

February 19, 2021

Ms. Amy Bottoms
Legislative Fiscal Officer
434 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Amy:

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 32-9-16, I have appointed the following members to serve on the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Overview Committee:

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| Senator Tonya Anderson | Representative Demetrius Douglas |
| Senator Gloria Butler | Representative Mike Glanton |
| Senator Steve Gooch | Representative Martin Momtahan |

Each member shall serve a two-year term concurrent with their 2021 – 2022 term as members of the General Assembly. Please contact my office should you have any questions.

Sincerely,
/s/ Brian P. Kemp
Brian P. Kemp

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 68. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Belton of the 112th, Blackmon of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 119. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Rich of the 97th, Ehrhart of the 36th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 14-7-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional services in which a professional corporation may engage, so as to provide that chiropractors may own professional corporations with physicians; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 149. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Blackmon of the 146th and Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to income taxes, so as to allow for certain elections to be made by Subchapter "S" corporations and partnerships for the filing of tax returns and imposition of taxes; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 161. By Representatives Tankersley of the 160th, Dickey of the 140th, Fleming of the 121st, Rich of the 97th, Houston of the 170th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 42 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to downtown development authorities,

so as to remove a provision providing perpetual existence to such authorities; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 210. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd, Rhodes of the 120th and Ridley of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certificates of title to motor vehicles, so as to exempt certain vehicles from the recording of odometer readings upon certificates of title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 223. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Gaines of the 117th:

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HB 241. By Representatives Gambill of the 15th, Lumsden of the 12th, Williams of the 148th, Gaines of the 117th and Smith of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-7-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property insurance, contract requirements, rules and regulations, and exemptions, so as to revise the meaning of property insurance; to change the parameters under which certain contracts, agreements, or instruments may be canceled; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 245. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd and Holmes of the 129th:

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HB 354. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Bentley of the 139th, Mathis of the 144th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to require the State Board of Cemeterians and the State Board of Funeral Service to report suspected unlawful activity to the sheriff's office and the Attorney General; to require the Attorney General to provide notice of such suspected unlawful activity to the appropriate prosecuting attorney; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 367. By Representatives Parrish of the 158th, Stephens of the 164th and Reeves of the 34th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to controlled substances, so as to change certain provisions relating to Schedules I, II, III, IV, and V controlled substances; to change certain provisions relating to the definition of dangerous drug; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 374. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, England of the 116th, Wiedower of the 119th, Benton of the 31st and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt from taxation local authorities providing public water or sewer service; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 396. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Campbell of the 171st and Dukes of the 154th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act creating the South Georgia Regional Information Technology Authority, approved May 29, 2007 (Ga. L. 2007, p. 4336), as amended; to provide for assets and liabilities thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 456. By Representatives Smith of the 18th, Nix of the 69th, Collins of the 68th and Smith of the 70th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the Carroll County Board of Elections, approved April 29, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 4592), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 17, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3592), so as to expand the board from three to five members; to provide for appointments to the board; to provide for terms of the additional board members; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 490. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the office of commissioner of Catoosa County, approved February 12, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 858), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 5538) and an Act approved March 19, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4290) so as to remove certain bidding requirements on certain purchases made by the county; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 236. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Jones of the 25th, Miller of the 49th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to allow food service

establishments licensed to sell distilled spirits for consumption on the premises to sell mixed drinks for off-premises consumption in approved containers under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Commissioner of Revenue to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 237. By Senators Harbison of the 15th and Dugan of the 30th:

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

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

SB 238. By Senator Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions, so as to revise provisions relating to the enactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; to clarify the portions of the Code which have the effect of law; to clarify the matter included in the Code that does not have the effect of law; to amend Chapter 9 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Code Revision Commission, so as to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to state content; to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to supplementary content; to revise a provision relating to copyright of the Code; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 239. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Jordan of the 6th, Orrock of the 36th, Jackson of the 41st and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide that tuition and mandatory student fees for students enrolled in a unit of the University System of Georgia

or the Technical College System of Georgia shall be calculated and assessed on a per credit hour basis, subject to certain conditions; to provide for caps on assessed tuition and mandatory student fees based on the number of credit hours students are enrolled; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

SB 240. By Senators Harrell of the 40th and Burns of the 23rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to provide for an instructional program for students in grades eleven and twelve which covers the critical role elections play in the democratic way of life for people in Georgia and the United States; to provide for conditioning graduation on completion of such instructional program; to provide for the development of curriculum content and training; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 241. By Senators Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to comprehensively revise elections and voting; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the establishment of a voter intimidation and illegal election activities hotline; to limit the ability of the State Election Board and the Secretary of State to enter into certain consent agreements; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding administrative procedure, so as to provide for the submission and suspension of emergency rules by the State Election Board; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 242. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 12 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grand juries, so as to provide for a state grand jury; to

provide for its creation, selection, composition, compensation, procedures, and term; to provide for definitions; to provide for a foreperson and deputy foreperson; to provide for certain disqualifications and recusals; to provide for certain oaths; to provide for a legal advisor; to provide secrecy of proceedings; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for subpoenas and compelling the production of evidence and testimony; to provide for assistance; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations by the Supreme Court; to provide for related matters; to provide a contingent effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SR 143. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Cowsert of the 46th, Hickman of the 4th, Summers of the 13th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A RESOLUTION appointing the honorary position of General Assembly chaplain; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 68. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Belton of the 112th, Blackmon of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

HB 119. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Rich of the 97th, Ehrhart of the 36th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 14-7-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional services in which a professional corporation may engage, so as to provide that chiropractors may own professional corporations with physicians; to provide for related matters; to

repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 149. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Blackmon of the 146th and Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to income taxes, so as to allow for certain elections to be made by Subchapter "S" corporations and partnerships for the filing of tax returns and imposition of taxes; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 161. By Representatives Tankersley of the 160th, Dickey of the 140th, Fleming of the 121st, Rich of the 97th, Houston of the 170th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 42 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to downtown development authorities, so as to remove a provision providing perpetual existence to such authorities; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 210. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd, Rhodes of the 120th and Ridley of the 6th:

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Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Economic Development and Tourism has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 158 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Thompson of the 14th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 215 Do Pass by substitute
SB 235 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Higher Education has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 97 Do Pass by substitute
SB 107 Do Pass by substitute
SB 187 Do Pass
SB 204 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tippins of the 37th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 174 Do Pass
SB 183 Do Pass
SB 198 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 102 Do Pass by substitute
SB 145 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 221 Do Pass
SR 117 Do Pass
SR 125 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 105 | HB 129 | SB 47 | SB 66 | SB 78 | SB 85 |
| SB 93 | SB 96 | SB 120 | SB 141 | SB 143 | SB 144 |
| SB 159 | SB 182 | SB 193 | SB 201 | SR 37 | SR 100 |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Walker III of the 20th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Walker III was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | McNeill |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Orrock |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Payne |
| Brass | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dugan | Jordan | Thompson |
| Ginn | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Goodman | Lucas | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Dolezal (Excused) | James (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Walker III (Excused) | Miller | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Harbin of the 16th introduced the chaplain of the day, Dr. Benny Tate of Milner, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Parent of the 42nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Reginald Mason, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 141. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Anderson of the 24th, Goodman of the 8th, Hatchett of the 50th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the Georgia peanut industry and recognizing March 1, 2021, as Peanut Butter and Jelly Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 142. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Au of the 48th, Jackson of the 41st, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Louvenia Rainge; and for other purposes.

SR 144. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Jones of the 25th, Rhett of the 33rd, Merritt of the 9th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 19, 2021, as Georgia Caregivers Day; and for other purposes.

SR 145. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Jackson of the 2nd, McNeill of the 3rd, Hickman of the 4th and Harper of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Eleanor "Sandy" Torrey West; and for other purposes.

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that the following bill be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Appropriations and committed to the Senate Committee on Judiciary:

SB 162. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th and Thompson of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-6-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the number of judges of superior courts, so as to provide for an additional judge of the superior court of the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 162 was committed to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Harper of the 7th asked unanimous consent that the following bill be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Judiciary and committed to the Senate Committee on Public Safety:

SB 214. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Hatchett of the 50th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Governor's emergency powers, so as to restrict the use of emergency powers on matters pertaining to firearms and other weapons; to provide for definitions; to provide for a cause of action; to provide for the recovery of damages; provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy

trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 21 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state tort claims, so as to waive sovereign immunity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 214 was committed to the Senate Committee on Public Safety.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 265, SB 89, and SB 148 which were on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 34, nays 20; the motion prevailed, and HB 265, SB 89, and SB 148 were engrossed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021
TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 119 Permit Required for Burning Woods, Lands, and Marshes or Other Flammable Vegetation; except certain yard waste from permitting (Substitute)(NR&E-7th)

SB 100 State Government; this state shall observe standard time year round; provide (Substitute)(GvtO-1st)

HB 265 Revenue and taxation; Internal Revenue Code and Internal Revenue Code of 1986; define terms and incorporate certain provisions of federal law into Georgia law (FIN-4th) Knight-130th

SB 89 Elections and Primaries; chief elections assistance officer; qualifications, appointment, supervision, and duties; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-49th)

SB 157 "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975"; deceptive practice of musical performance groups advertising; prohibit (AG&CA-46th)

SB 148 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians and the Special Joint Committee on Georgia Revenue Structure; create (Substitute)(FIN-52nd)

SB 51 "Dexter Mosely Act"; enact (ED&Y-14th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 119. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th, Burke of the 11th, Mullis of the 53rd, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-6-90 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permit required for burning woods, lands, marshes, or other flammable vegetation, and exceptions, so as to except certain yard waste from permitting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment offered the following

substitute to SB 119:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 12-6-90 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permit required for burning woods, lands, marshes, or other flammable vegetation, and exceptions, so as to except certain yard waste from permitting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 12-6-90 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permit required for burning woods, lands, marshes, or other flammable vegetation, and exceptions, is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c)(1) It shall not be necessary to obtain a permit otherwise required by subsection (a) of this Code section to burn improved pastures~~,~~ or residue on cultivated crop land~~, or leaf piles~~ if the person, firm, corporation, or association intending to burn such residue shall, prior to such burning, give notice of the approximate time and location thereof to the forest ranger of the county wherein such burning is to be made or to an employee of the forestry unit serving such county who is authorized to grant permits under subsection (a) of this Code section.

(2) Unless otherwise provided by local ordinance, or where prohibited by general law or regulation, it shall not be necessary to obtain a permit otherwise required by subsection (a) of this Code section to burn leaf piles, yard debris, or hand-piled natural vegetation on the premises at which they occur, provided that the:

(A) Burning takes place between the official sunrise and the official sunset for the location where the burning is taking place;

(B) Location of the burning is no less than 25 feet from any woodlands, forestland, and/or open field that contains brush, grass, or other flammable material;

(C) Location of the burning is no less than 50 feet from any structure, including outbuildings, sheds, barns, and homes;

(D) Person responsible shall attend the burning at all times until completely extinguished and there is no risk for the burning to escape control;

(E) Person responsible shall take necessary precautions to prevent escape or spread from the original location; and

(F) Person responsible shall be liable for any resulting damage to adjacent properties."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 119, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 100. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th, Au of the 48th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe standard time year round until such time as Congress authorizes the states to observe daylight savings time; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight offered the following substitute to SB

100:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe standard time year round until such time as Congress authorizes the states to observe daylight savings time; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-1-10.

(a) Except as provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section, this state, including all political subdivisions thereof, shall observe standard time year round as the standard time of the entire state and all of its political subdivisions.

(b) If the United States Congress amends 15 U.S.C. Section 260a to authorize states to observe daylight savings time year round, this state, including all of its political subdivisions thereof, shall observe daylight savings time year round as the standard time of the entire state and all of its political subdivisions. If such congressional amendment is adopted at such time as this state is observing standard time, this state shall begin observing daylight savings time only when it would have begun observing daylight savings time had such amendment not been adopted. If such congressional amendment is adopted at such time as this state is observing daylight savings time, this state shall continue to observe daylight savings time and shall do so year round."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon the Governor's approval if so approved prior to the 2021 transition to daylight savings time. This Act shall become effective upon the 2021 expiration of daylight savings time if the Act is approved by the Governor after the 2021 transition to daylight savings time or becomes law without his approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 7.

SB 100, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 265. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Williamson of the 115th and Blackmon of the 146th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to revise the terms "Internal Revenue Code" and "Internal Revenue Code of 1986" and thereby incorporate certain provisions of the federal law into Georgia law; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hickman of the 4th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 265, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 89. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for a chief elections assistance officer; to provide for the qualifications, appointment, supervision, and duties of such officer; to provide for election assistance coaches; to provide for the qualifications and duties of such coaches; to provide for the identification of low-performing county election superintendents; to provide for comprehensive on-site evaluation of election management practices and procedures of such low-performing counties to determine root causes of such low performance and lack of adherence to election laws and procedures; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 89:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for a chief elections assistance officer; to provide for the qualifications, appointment, supervision, and duties of such officer; to provide for election assistance coaches; to provide for the qualifications and duties of such coaches; to provide for the identification of low-performing county election superintendents; to provide for comprehensive on-site evaluation of election management practices and procedures of such low-performing counties to determine root causes of such low performance and lack of adherence to election laws and procedures; to provide assistance to the county election superintendent in implementing intensive election administration improvement plans; to provide for necessary support services for elections in such counties; to provide for procedures for suspension of certain county election superintendents and for temporary substitutes to conduct elections in such counties; to provide for procedures for reinstatement; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by adding a new part to Article 2 to read as follows:

"Part 3A

21-2-80.

(a) There is created within the office of the Secretary of State the position of chief elections assistance officer. Such officer shall work under the supervision of the director of the Elections Division of the Office of the Secretary of State and shall be an employee of the Secretary of State. The chief elections assistance officer shall be appointed by the State Election Board and shall serve at the pleasure of the State Election Board.

(b) The person appointed to serve as the chief elections assistance officer shall:

(1) Have extensive personal experience in managing and conducting elections, including experience in the training of poll officers and poll workers;

(2) Have held the position of county election superintendent or county election supervisor or a senior management position in the office of a county election superintendent or the equivalent of such positions for a minimum of five years with demonstrated skills in management, budget, finance, federal and state election law, and personnel management; and

(3) Such additional education, experience, and other qualifications as determined by the State Election Board.

(c) The duties of the chief elections assistance officer shall include, but are not limited to:

(1) Managing and overseeing a system of supports and assistance for county election superintendents in this state, including coordinating training for such officials;

(2) Annually establishing a list of third-party specialists, including auditors and consultants, to assist county election superintendents in conducting comprehensive on-site evaluations of election management practices and procedures to determine the root causes of low performance and lack of adherence to election laws and procedures, to assist election superintendents in the implementation of intensive election administration improvement plans, or to provide any of the necessary support services for elections. Such list of third-party specialists shall be established through a process approved by the State Election Board;

(3) Coordinating with the Elections Division of the Office of the Secretary of State to identify all state resources and supports available to the lowest-performing election superintendents in the greatest need of assistance;

(4) Identifying election assistance coaches pursuant to Code Section 21-2-81; and

(5) Identifying best practices for election administration and sharing such information with local election superintendents in this state.

21-2-81.

The chief elections assistance officer shall identify and recruit, as needed, election assistance coaches to assist the Secretary of State and the State Election Board in supporting low-performing election superintendents and registrars and improving election administration in their respective jurisdictions. Such coaches shall have significant experience and training in election administration and election law.

21-2-82.

(a) The State Election Board shall, by rule and regulation, develop criteria to identify low-performing county election superintendents based upon previous or existing election law violations, elector inconvenience in voting due to lack of or poor administration of elections, departure from best election management practices, and similar criteria. The chief elections assistance officer shall annually compile a list of those county election superintendents who fall within the criteria as low-performing county election superintendents.

(b) Upon being identified as a low-performing county election superintendent pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the State Election Board, through the chief elections assistance officer, shall cause such county election superintendent to have, at the expense of the state, a comprehensive on-site evaluation of election management practices and procedures to determine the root causes of the county's low performance and lack of adherence to election laws and procedures, assist the county election superintendent in the implementation of intensive election administration improvement plans, or provide any of the necessary support services for elections in the county. Such comprehensive on-site evaluation shall be performed by one of the third-party

specialists identified by the chief elections assistance officer pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-82.

(c) If, within 90 days following a comprehensive on-site evaluation of election management practices and procedures, a county election superintendent fails or refuses to implement the recommended corrective measures or if, following such comprehensive on-site evaluation, such county election superintendent is subsequently found by the State Election Board to be in violation of the provisions of this chapter in the conduct of elections, the State Election Board may suspend such county election superintendent from exercising any of the powers and duties of an election superintendent under this chapter.

(d) In the event that the State Election Board exercises its authority pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section to suspend the powers and duties of a county election superintendent under this chapter, the State Election Board shall appoint a person or persons to exercise the powers and duties of such county election superintendent under this chapter. Such person or persons shall exercise such powers and duties for such period of time as the State Election Board shall direct. The person or persons so appointed shall receive such compensation as determined by the State Election Board which shall be paid by the governing authority of the county involved.

(e) Prior to suspending a county election superintendent pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section, the State Election Board shall give such county election superintendent written notice of its intention to consider such suspension which shall be served on the county election superintendent by certified or registered mail, statutory overnight delivery, or personal service. The county election superintendent shall have ten calendar days from receipt of such notice to request in writing a hearing before the State Election Board on the proposed suspension. At such hearing before the State Election Board, the county election superintendent shall show cause as to why a suspension should not be imposed by the State Election Board pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section. In the case of a county election superintendent that undertakes the implementation of an intensive election administration improvement plan and has subsequent violations of election laws, the State Election Board shall take into consideration the degree of compliance of the county election superintendent in the implementation of the intensive election administration improvement plans and the ongoing cooperation and collaboration exhibited by the county election superintendent. The State Election Board shall make a determination on any such proposed suspension no later than 30 days after such hearing. The determination of the State Election Board shall be the final decision.

(f) After being suspended pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section, a county election superintendent may petition the State Election Board for reinstatement as the county election superintendent. Such petition shall not be filed until at least 30 days have elapsed since such county election superintendent was suspended. The State Election Board shall provide the petitioning county election superintendent at least 30 days' notice prior to conducting a hearing on such reinstatement. Such hearing shall be held not later than 90 days after the petition is filed and in accordance with Chapter 13

of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.' The petitioning county election superintendent shall have the burden of demonstrating that, if reinstated as the election superintendent of the county by the State Election Board, the county election superintendent can and will correct the deficiencies in the administration of elections in such county. If it is determined that it is more likely than not that such county election superintendent can and will correct such deficiencies, the county election superintendent shall be reinstated; otherwise, the person or persons appointed by the State Election Board to exercise the powers and duties of such county election superintendent under this chapter shall continue to administer elections in such county. Judicial review of any such decision shall be in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50. The county election superintendent may continue to petition the State Election Board pursuant to this subsection until the State Election Board finds that such county election superintendent can and will correct the deficiencies in the administration of elections in such county."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 18.

SB 89, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Hickman of the 4th moved that HB 265 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 265 was immediately transmitted.

The Calendar was resumed.

SB 157. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd, Lucas of the 26th, Butler of the 55th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to prohibit the deceptive practice of musical performance groups advertising and appearing as the recording group without the recording group's permission or denoting that it is a salute or tribute performance; to provide for definitions; to specify violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SB 157, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 148. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, so as to create the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians and the Special Joint Committee on Georgia Revenue Structure; to state legislative findings and intent; to make provisions relative to legislative procedure for consideration of legislation recommended by the council and the special joint committee; to provide for related matters; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to SB 148:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, so as to create the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians and the Special Joint Committee on Georgia Revenue Structure; to state legislative findings and intent; to make provisions relative to legislative procedure for consideration of legislation recommended by the council and the special joint committee; to provide for related matters; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, is amended by adding a new chapter to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 12

28-12-1.

(a) The General Assembly finds and determines that:

(1) It has been many years since there has been any systematic study of the State of Georgia's revenue structure, and there exists a need for such study today;

(2) Such study and the formulation of recommendations for tax structure changes which may be recommended as a result can be best carried out through the council established by this chapter; and

(3) Enactment of the recommendations from such process, if deemed appropriate at the 2022 session of the General Assembly, may be best carried out through a deliberative and specific legislative process.

(b) It is the intention of the General Assembly that:

(1) The 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians created in Code Section 28-12-2 shall during 2021 conduct a thorough study of the state's current revenue structure and make a report of its findings and recommendations for legislation to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Lieutenant Governor no later than January 10, 2022;

(2) The Special Joint Committee on Georgia Revenue Structure created in Code Section 28-12-3 shall during the 2022 legislative session cause to be introduced in the House of Representatives one or more bills or resolutions incorporating without significant changes the recommendations of the council, and such legislation shall, after its introduction, be referred directly and only to the special joint committee;

(3) If the special joint committee recommends that one or more bills or resolutions referred to it do pass or do pass by committee substitute, the measure or measures recommended by the special joint committee shall then be in order for consideration only by the House of Representatives at any time fixed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Said bill or resolution shall be reported directly to the floor of the House of Representatives and shall receive an up or down vote as reported from the special joint committee without amendment;

(4) If one or more bills or resolutions referred by the special joint committee are passed by the House of Representatives, the measure or measures shall then be in order for consideration only by the Senate at any time fixed by the President of the Senate. Said bill or resolution shall be reported directly to the floor of the Senate and shall receive an up or down vote as reported from the House of Representatives without amendment;

(5) Any bills or resolutions considered as provided for in this Code section shall be read three times on three separate days in each house and shall be considered in compliance with all other requirements of the Georgia Constitution; and

(6) The rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives for the 2022 legislative session may, as adopted or as amended, contain such provisions as may be necessary or appropriate to comply with the legislative process specified by this Code section.

28-12-2.

(a) There is created the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians which shall consist of 11 members and two ex officio, nonvoting members as follows:

(1) Three economists to be appointed one each by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(2) Governor Brian Kemp;

(3) A nonpartisan fiscal expert jointly agreed to by the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate;

(4) The 2021 chairperson of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce and the 2021 Georgia state director for the National Federation of Independent Business;

(5) Two members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(6) The president of the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, or his or her designee, who may serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member; and

(7) The commissioner of the Department of Economic Development, or his or her designee, who may serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member.

(b) Any member of the council unable to serve shall be replaced at the discretion of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Lieutenant Governor;

(c) All departments and agencies of the state shall, upon request of the council or the Governor, provide requested services, information, and staff support for the council, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary.

(d) Members of the council shall receive no compensation for their services, except that any members who are state officers or employees may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties by the agency or department in which they serve as an officer or employee.

28-12-3.

(a) There is created the Special Joint Committee on Georgia Revenue Structure which shall consist of 12 members as follows:

(1) The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives;

(2) The majority leader of the Senate and the majority leader of the House of Representatives;

(3) The minority leader of the Senate and the minority leader of the House of Representatives;

(4) The chairpersons of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means;

(5) Two members of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the Senate, one from the majority party and one from the minority party; and

(6) Two members of the House of Representatives to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one from the majority party and one from the minority party.

(b) The chairpersons of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means shall serve as cochairpersons of the special joint committee.

28-12-4.
This chapter stall stand repealed by operation of law on July 1, 2023."

**SECTION 2.**
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SB 148, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 51. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Harbin of the 16th, Payne of the 54th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to other educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to authorize home study students in grades six through 12 to participate in extracurricular and interscholastic activities in the student's resident public school system; to provide that home study students shall complete one qualifying course during any semester the student participates in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity in the student's resident public school system; to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the O.C.G.A., relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Thompson of the 14th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Hickman of the 4th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 51 (LC 49 0346) on line 16 by replacing* "Mosely" *with the following:*
"Mosley"

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Thompson amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 39, nays 15.

SB 51, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 25, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, February 25, 2021
Twenty-third Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 179. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Rich of the 97th, Byrd of the 20th, Holmes of the 129th, Mathiak of the 73rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, so as to amend the logo design for special license plates issued to support breast cancer related programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 286. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Dempsey of the 13th, Wiedower of the 119th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county police, so as to restrict the ability of county governing authorities to reduce funding for county police departments; to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to municipal corporations, so as to restrict the ability of municipal or consolidated government governing authorities to reduce funding for municipal police departments; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to

repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 292. By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Hogan of the 179th, Burchett of the 176th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to remove certain training requirements for members of county boards of equalization following their initial training for their first term; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 306. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Kelley of the 16th, Holcomb of the 81st, Reeves of the 34th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 455. By Representatives Barr of the 103rd, Corbett of the 174th, Dickey of the 140th, Jasperse of the 11th, Nguyen of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolutions of the House:

HR 142. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state owned property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned property in Hall County;

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

HR 143. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

Date: 2/24/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 223.

Signed: /s/ Lee Anderson District: 24th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Randy Robertson of the 29th
(Primary Author)

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 243. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 41st and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-6-5.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to improper sexual contact by employee, agent, or foster parent, consent not a defense, and penalty, so as to revise the offense of improper sexual contact by employee, agent, or foster parent; to revise

and provide for definitions; to prohibit improper sexual contact within programs and facilities used by individuals as a condition of their probation or parole; to provide for a response to Bully v. State, 2020 Ga. App. LEXIS 628 (2020); to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 244. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 41st, Halpern of the 39th, Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 16 and 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses and to domestic relations, respectively, so as to prohibit persons convicted of misdemeanor crimes of family violence from receiving, possessing, or transporting a firearm and to prohibit persons subject to family violence protective orders from receiving, possessing, or transporting a firearm; to provide for definitions; to provide an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 245. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Harper of the 7th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Tillery of the 19th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dangerous instrumentalities and practices, so as to prohibit public officers from ordering the enforcement of certain federal acts regarding the right to keep and bear arms; to provide for exceptions; to provide for definitions; to provide for civil and criminal penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 246. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, so as to provide for "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; to provide for exemptions applicable to learning pods; to provide for student attendance; to provide for administrative and judicial proceedings; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters;

to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 247. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th, Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, so as to replace certain public hearings with online public comment opportunities; to revise procedures for issuing, amending, and renewing marketing orders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 248. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 and Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment and probation, respectively, so as to provide that no court shall impose a period of probation that exceeds 60 months; to provide for applicability; to provide for retroactive relief; to provide for conforming changes; to eliminate probation for life for persons convicted of certain serious violent felonies; to revise certain probation requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 249. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd and Jones II of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Newton Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Newton County; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Alcovy Judicial Circuit; to provide for the composition, terms of court, and number of judges of the Newton Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 250. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Legislative Retirement System, so as to increase the retirement allowance; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SB 251. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Legislative Retirement System, so as to define certain terms; to change certain provisions relating to employee contributions to the retirement system, payment of employee contributions on behalf of the member, and additional contributions; to change certain provisions relating to prior service credit for military service; to change certain provisions relating to eligibility and application for a retirement allowance, early retirement, amount of retirement allowance, compliance with federal tax laws, and increases in retirement allowance; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SB 252. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding salaries and fees for public officers, so as to revise the compensation of certain public officials; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SB 253. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Burns of the 23rd, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code

of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for notice when polling places are relocated; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 254. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 41st, Orrock of the 36th, Lucas of the 26th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to provide for comprehensive revisions regarding justification and the use of force; to provide for certain investigations and reports in certain circumstances; to repeal certain Code sections; to provide for conforming changes; to amend Titles 15, 17, and 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, criminal procedure, and education, respectively, so as to provide for conforming changes; to amend Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to torts, so as to repeal a Code section; to provide for a conforming change; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and construction of act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 255. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," so as to provide for a grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; to provide for criteria; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism.

SB 256. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Gooch of the 51st, Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 12, Code Section 16-12-4, Code Section 19-11-9, Chapter 2 of Title 26, Title 31, and Code Section 43-18-75 of the O.C.G.A., relating to conservation and natural resources, cruelty to animals, location of absent parents by department, standards, labeling, and adulteration of food, health, and inspections, suspension or revocation of license, and other

disciplinary actions, respectively, so as to provide for the reorganization of county boards of health; to revise the powers of county boards of health; to authorize the Department of Public Health to select district health directors; to provide for qualifications of district health directors; to authorize the commissioner of public health to select chief medical officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 257. By Senator Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Georgia Crime Information Center, so as to provide for criminal history record restrictions for certain persons cited with or convicted of certain criminal offenses; to provide that restricted criminal history record information shall be available to criminal justice agencies; to amend Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to first offenders, so as to revise the procedure for petitioning for exoneration and discharge when an individual has qualified for sentencing as a first offender; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SR 149. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Mullis of the 53rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Cowsert of the 46th, Hatchett of the 50th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Pastor Billy Edmondson and dedicating a road in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 150. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Crime and Youth Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 151. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Sickle Cell Anemia Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 153. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Au of the 48th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jordan of the 6th, Lucas of the 26th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint PeachCare Public Option Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SR 154. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Butler of the 55th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee for Strengthening Georgia's Future Workforce; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, so as to amend the logo design for special license plates issued to support breast cancer related programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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authorities to reduce funding for municipal police departments; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 292. By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Hogan of the 179th, Burchett of the 176th and Watson of the 172nd:

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Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 306. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Kelley of the 16th, Holcomb of the 81st, Reeves of the 34th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

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A RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state owned property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned property in Hall County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

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A RESOLUTION authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 62 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 31 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 93 Do Pass
HB 163 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Insurance and Labor has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 80 | Do Pass by substitute | SB 112 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 113 | Do Pass by substitute | SB 156 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 166 | Do Pass by substitute | SB 169 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burke of the 11th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 10 Do Pass by substitute
SB 163 Do Pass by substitute
SB 185 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 251 | Do Pass |
| SB 22 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 211 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State Institutions and Property has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 140 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbison of the 15th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| SB 97 | SB 102 | SB 107 | SB 145 | SB 158 | SB 174 |
| SB 183 | SB 187 | SB 198 | SB 204 | SB 215 | SB 221 |
| SB 235 | SR 117 | SR 125 | | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Anavitarte | Goodman | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Halpern | Mullis |
| Au | Harbison | Rahman |

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| Beach | Harrell | Rhett |
| Brass | Hatchett | Robertson |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Seay |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, B. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dugan | Lucas | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| James (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Anderson, T. |
| Burke | Cowsert | Gooch |
| Harbin | Harper | Hickman |
| Jackson, L. | Jones, E. | Jordan |
| Kirkpatrick | Miller | Orrock |
| Parent | Payne | Sims |
| Tippins | Walker | |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

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| Senators: | Kirkpatrick of the 32nd | Gooch of the 51st | Payne of the 54th |
| | Sims of the 12th | Burke of the 11th | Tippins of the 37th |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Mark Harkness of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Parent of the 42nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Daniel Lopez, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 146. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Harper of the 7th, Burke of the 11th, Hatchett of the 50th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Chattahoochee/Marion Forestry Unit on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2020 North Georgia Unit of the Year; the Brooks/Cook Forestry Unit on being named the 2020 South Georgia Unit of the Year; Area 7 on being named the 2020 Forest Protection Area of the Year; and the State Lands Timber Sales Team on being

named the 2020 Forest Management Team of the Year; and for other purposes.

SR 147. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Helping Hands Ending Hunger INC.; and for other purposes.

SR 148. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Summers of the 13th, Harbin of the 16th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Watson of the 1st and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Alex Martin Ayers; and for other purposes.

SR 152. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Robertson of the 29th, Jackson of the 2nd, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 9, 2021, as Jim Arendt Day; and for other purposes.

SR 155. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Rahman of the 5th, Seay of the 34th, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 4, 2021, as Be The Match Day; and for other purposes.

SR 156. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Robertson of the 29th, Jackson of the 2nd, Hickman of the 4th, Tillery of the 19th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Bryan County Sheriff Clyde R. Smith; and for other purposes.

SR 157. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Lejla Prljaca; and for other purposes.

SR 158. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Matthew Elder; and for other purposes.

SR 159. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th, Jordan of the 6th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A RESOLUTION commending and recognizing Andrea Barclay, the founder of Because One Matters; and for other purposes.

SR 160. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Mt. Vernon Mills; and for other purposes.

SR 161. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Jackson of the 2nd, Merritt of the 9th, Goodman of the 8th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Syed Raian Islam; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**
Thursday February 25, 2021
Twenty-third Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 22 Strickland of the 17th
Jones of the 10th
**HENRY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to provide a code of ethics; to establish a board of ethics; to revise the authority, roles, and responsibilities of the chairperson, the board of commissioners, and the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

SB 211 Summers of the 13th
**CRISP COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the

office of judge of the probate court of Crisp County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 251 Seay of the 34th
Davenport of the 44th
**CLAYTON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the composition and manner of selection of the Board of Education of Clayton County, approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4431), as amended, so as to provide for the manner of changing the compensation for members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on the Local Consent Calendar, pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

The substitute to the following bill was put upon its adoption:

*SB 22:

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to SB 22:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding vacancies on the board of commissioners; to provide for temporary vacancies; to provide a code of ethics; to establish a board of ethics; to revise the authority, roles, and responsibilities of the chairperson, the board of commissioners, and the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, is amended in Section 3 by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) Vacancies occurring in the membership of the board shall be filled in the following

manner:

(1) If, at the time the vacancy occurs, there are less than 360 days until the date of the next general election, a qualified successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be appointed by the remaining members of the board to serve until the first day of January following the next general election. Such appointment shall be made from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party of which the vacated board member was the candidate at the last general election in which the board seat was up for election. A qualified successor shall be elected at the next general election to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term or for the next term, whichever shall be applicable, and shall take office immediately upon the results of such election being certified by the election superintendent. If the vacancy is in the office of chairperson, the vice chairperson shall serve as chairperson until a successor shall be elected as provided herein and, during such period, the board of commissioners shall be composed of five members;

(2) If, at the time the vacancy occurs, there are more than 360 days until the next general election:

(A) No later than 14 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, a qualified interim successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be appointed by the remaining members of the board to serve until a special election can be held to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. Such appointment shall be made from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party of which the vacated board member was the candidate at the last general election in which the board seat was up for election; and

(B) A qualified permanent successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be elected at a special election called for such purpose. Only the qualified electors of Henry County residing within the commissioner district wherein the vacancy occurred shall be eligible to vote at such election. The election superintendent of Henry County shall call such election to be held on the earliest available date provided by general law for a special election to fill a vacancy. The election shall be governed by the provisions of Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code,' relative to special elections for the filling of vacancies. The person elected at such special election shall take office immediately upon the results of such election being certified by the election superintendent. All persons so elected to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. If the vacancy is in the office of chairperson, the special election provided for herein shall apply to filling such vacancy, except that the qualified electors of Henry County voting on a county-wide basis shall be eligible to vote at said special election; and

(3)(A) The chief judge of the superior court of Henry County shall have the power to declare a temporary vacancy on the board created by the ill health or suspension from office of a board member, provided that the length of such a temporary vacancy shall not exceed 90 days. In the event of a temporary vacancy, no later than 14 days after the declaration of the vacancy, a qualified interim successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be appointed by the remaining members of the

board. Such appointment shall be made from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party of which the vacated board member was the candidate at the last general election in which the board seat was up for election.

(B) In the event that a temporary vacancy exceeds 90 days, a special election shall be held in the same manner as provided for in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of this subsection. The person elected at such special election shall take office immediately upon the results of such election being certified by the election superintendent. All persons so elected to fill a temporary vacancy shall serve until the vacancy of the incumbent board member ends or for the remainder of the unexpired term, whichever event occurs first."

**SECTION 2.**

Said Act is further amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

"SECTION 7.1.

(a) Purpose.

(1) It is essential to the proper administration and operation of the Henry County government that its officials and employees be, and give the appearance of being, independent and impartial, that public office not be used for private gain, and that there be public confidence in the integrity of Henry County officials and employees. Because the attainment of one or more of these ends is impaired whenever there exists in fact, or appears to exist, a conflict between the private interests and public responsibilities of officials and employees, the public interest requires that the General Assembly protect against such conflicts of interest by establishing by law appropriate ethical standards with respect to the conduct of the officials and employees of Henry County in situations where a conflict may exist.

(2) The General Assembly recognizes that an appropriate and effective code of ethics for appointed officials and employees of Henry County is also essential for the proper administration and operation of the Henry County government.

(b) Definitions. As used in this section, the term:

(1) 'Agency' means any board, bureau, body, commission, committee, department, or office of Henry County to which the board of commissioners has appointment powers.

(2) 'Business' means any corporation, partnership, organization, sole proprietorship, other entity operated for economic gain, whether professional, industrial, or commercial, and entity which for purposes of federal income taxation is treated as a nonprofit organization.

(3) 'Confidential information' means information which has been obtained in the course of holding public office, employment, acting as an independent contractor, or otherwise acting as an official or employee and which information is not available to members of the public under state law or other law or regulation and which the official, independent contractor, or employee is not authorized to disclose.

(4) 'Contract' means any claim or demand against or any lease, account, or agreement

with any person, whether express or implied, executed or executory, verbal or in writing.

(5) 'Emergency situation' means any circumstance or condition giving rise to an immediate necessity for the execution of a contract by and between Henry County and an official or employee or between Henry County and a business in which an official or employee has an interest and where, to the satisfaction of the board of commissioners, it is shown that there is no one other than such persons with whom the contract could have been made and that the necessity was not brought about by such persons' own fault or neglect.

(6) 'Immediate family' means an official or employee and his or her spouse, parents, brothers, sisters, and natural or adopted children.

(7) 'Interest' means any direct or indirect pecuniary or material benefit held by or accruing to the official or employee as a result of a contract or transaction which is or may be the subject of an official act or action by or with Henry County. Unless otherwise provided in this section, the term 'interest' does not include any remote interest. An official or employee shall be deemed to have an interest in transactions involving:

(A) Any person in the official's or employee's immediate family;

(B) Any person, business, or entity that the official or employee knows or should know is seeking official action with Henry County, is seeking to do or does business with Henry County, has interests that may be substantially affected by performance or nonperformance of the official's or employee's official duties, or with whom a contractual relationship exists whereby the official or employee may receive any payment or other benefit;

(C) Any business in which the official or employee is a director, officer, employee, shareholder, or consultant; or

(D) Any person of whom the official or employee is a creditor, whether secured or unsecured.

(8) 'Official or employee' means any person elected or appointed to or employed or retained by Henry County or any agency, whether paid or unpaid and whether part time or full time. Such term includes retired employees or former county employees during the period of time in which they are later employed or retained by the county or any agency. Such term does not include superior and state court judges and their immediate staffs, the district attorney, the solicitor of the state court, the clerks of the superior and state courts, magistrates, the judge of the probate court, and their respective staffs.

(9) 'Official act or action' means any legislative, administrative, appointive, or discretionary act of the board of commissioners, the chairperson of the board of commissioners, or a commissioner.

(10) 'Paid' means the receipt of, or right to receive, a salary, commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

(11) 'Participate' means to take part in official acts, actions, or proceedings personally as an official or employee through approval, disapproval, decision, recommendation, investigation, the rendering of advice, or the failure to act or perform a duty.

(12) 'Person' means any individual, business, labor organization, representative, fiduciary, trust, or association, whether paid or unpaid, and includes any official or employee of Henry County.

(13) 'Property' means any property, whether real or personal or tangible or intangible, and includes currency and commercial paper.

(14) 'Remote interest' means the interest of:

(A) A nonsalaried director, officer, or employee of a nonprofit organization;

(B) A holder of less than 5 percent of the legal or beneficial ownership of the total shares of a business;

(C) Any person in a representative capacity, such as a receiver, trustee, or administrator; or

(D) Any person who, by determination of the board of ethics, is deemed to have such an interest.

(15) 'Transaction' means the conduct of any activity that results in or may result in an official act or action of an official or employee of Henry County.

(c) Proscribed Conduct. No official or employee of Henry County shall:

(1) By his or her conduct give reasonable basis for the impression that any person can improperly influence him or her or unduly enjoy his or her favor in the performance of his or her official acts or actions or that he or she is affected unduly by the rank or position of or kinship or association with any person;

(2)(A) Directly or indirectly request, exact, receive, or agree to receive a gift, loan, favor, promise, or thing of value for himself or herself or another person if:

(i) It tends to influence him or her in the discharge of his or her official duties; or

(ii) He or she recently has been, or is now, or in the near future may be, involved in any official act or action directly affecting the donor or lender.

(B) Subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall not apply in the case of:

(i) An occasional nonpecuniary gift of value less than $100.00;

(ii) An award publicly presented in recognition of public service; or

(iii) A commercially reasonable loan made in the ordinary course of business by an institution authorized by the laws of Georgia to engage in the making of such a loan;

(3) Disclose or otherwise use confidential information acquired by virtue of his or her position for his or her or another person's private gain;

(4) Appear on his or her own personal behalf, or represent, advise, or appear on the personal behalf, whether paid or unpaid, of any person before any court or before any legislative, administrative, or quasi-judicial board, agency, commission, or committee of this state or of any county or municipality concerning any contract or transaction which is or may be the subject of an official act or action of Henry County or otherwise use or attempt to use his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself or herself or other persons;

(5) Engage in, accept employment with, or render services for any agency, private business, or professional activity when such employment or rendering of services is adverse to and incompatible with the proper discharge of his or her official duties;

(6) Acquire an interest in any contract or transaction at a time when he or she believes

or has reason to believe that such an interest will be affected directly or indirectly by his or her official act or actions or by the official acts or actions of other officials or employees of Henry County; or

(7) Engage in any activity or transaction that is prohibited by law now existing or hereafter enacted which is applicable to him or her by virtue of his or her being an official or employee of Henry County.

(c.1) Additional Proscribed Conduct for Commissioners. Members of the board of commissioners shall not issue directives to employees who report to the county manager, threaten to terminate the employment of a county employee, threaten to terminate a county contract so as to exert undue influence, or engage in conduct that is unbecoming of a member of the board of commissioners.

(d) Gifts to certain employees. No employee of the purchasing department of Henry County shall accept any gift of value from anyone who has had or may reasonably be anticipated to have any business with or before such department. Gifts from persons who do not have or who would not be reasonably anticipated to have any business with or before such department may be accepted by an employee of such department only when such gifts are based solely on a family relationship or personal friendship.

(e) Disclosure of interests. An official or employee who has an interest that he or she has reason to believe may be affected by his or her official acts or actions or by the official acts or actions of another official or employee of Henry County shall disclose the precise nature and value of such interest by sworn written statement to the board of ethics and ask for the board's opinion as to the propriety of such interest. Every official or employee who knowingly has any interest, direct or indirect, in any contract to which Henry County is or is about to become a party, or in any other business with Henry County, shall make full disclosure of such interest to the board of commissioners and to the ethics officer and the board of ethics. The information disclosed by such sworn statements, except for the valuation attributed to the disclosed interest, shall be made a matter of public record by the board of ethics. In cases where a conflict of interest exists, such official or employee shall recuse himself or herself from participating or taking any official acts or actions in any matter for the county affected by such conflict of interest.

(f) Participation in contracts.

(1) An official or employee shall disqualify himself or herself from participating in any official act or action of Henry County directly affecting a business or activity in which he or she has any interest, whether or not a remote interest.

(2) Henry County shall not enter into any contract involving services or property with an official or employee of the county or with a business in which an official or employee of the county has an interest. This subsection shall not apply in the case of:

(A) The designation of a bank or trust company as a depository for county funds;

(B) The borrowing of funds from any bank or lending institution which offers the lowest available rate of interest for such loans;

(C) Contracts for services entered into with a business which is the only available source for such goods or services; or

(D) Contracts entered into under circumstances which constitute an emergency

situation, provided that a record explaining the emergency is prepared by the board of commissioners and submitted to the board of ethics at its next regular meeting and thereafter kept on file.

(3) Henry County shall not enter into any contract with, or take any official act or action favorably affecting, any person, or business represented by such person, who has been within the preceding two-year period an official or employee of Henry County.

(g) Reporting violations.

(1) Any person who witnesses or becomes aware of a violation of this section may complain of the violation as follows:

(A) A complaint may be communicated anonymously to the ethics administrator. Such complaint shall be made in good faith and with veracity and sufficient specificity so as to provide the ethics officer with salient and investigable facts. The ethics administrator may require the anonymous complaint to be made in a manner and form that is intended only to obtain relevant facts related to the alleged violation of this section and that is not designed to reveal the identity of the complainant; and

(B) A sworn written complaint may be filed with the ethics administrator as described in this subparagraph. All written complaints to be considered by the board of ethics and the ethics officer shall contain the following, if applicable:

(i) The name and address of the person or persons filing the complaint;

(ii) The sworn verification and signature of the complainant;

(iii) The name and address of the party or parties against whom the complaint is filed and, if such party is a candidate, the office being sought;

(iv) A clear and concise statement of facts upon which the complaint is based along with an allegation that such facts constitute one or more violations of law under the jurisdiction of the board of ethics;

(v) A general reference to the allegedly violated statutory provisions of the code of ethics within the jurisdiction of the board of ethics; and

(vi) Any further information which might support the allegations in the complaint, including, but not limited to, the following:

(I) The names and addresses of all other persons who have first-hand knowledge of the facts alleged in the complaint; and

(II) Any documentary evidence that supports the facts alleged in the complaint.

(2) Upon receipt of a complaint by the ethics administrator, the ethics administrator shall send a written notice to the subject of the complaint by the next business day. Both this notice and any subsequent documents shall be subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.

(3) Upon receipt of a written, nonanonymous complaint which does not conform to the applicable requirements of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the ethics administrator shall by letter acknowledge receipt of the complaint and advise the complainant of the defect in the complaint and that the complaint will not be considered by the board of ethics unless the defect is corrected.

(h) Enactment.

(1) This section shall be construed liberally to effectuate its purpose and policies and

to supplement such existing laws as may relate to the conduct of officials or employees.

(2) The propriety of any official act or action taken by or transaction involving any officials or employees immediately prior to the time this section shall take effect shall not be affected by the enactment of this section.

(3) The provisions of this section are severable, and if any of its provisions shall be held unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of the court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions.

(i) Board of Ethics.

(1)(A) There is created the Board of Ethics of Henry County to be composed of seven citizens of Henry County to be appointed as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(B) Each member of the board of ethics shall have been a resident of Henry County for at least one year immediately preceding the date of taking office and shall remain a resident of the county, and where applicable the commission district he or she represents, while serving as a member of the board of ethics.

(C) No person shall serve as a member of the board of ethics if the person has, or has had within the immediately preceding two-year period, any interest in any contract, transaction, or official act or action of Henry County.

(D) No member of the board of ethics shall be a member of an agency or an official or employee of Henry County or shall have served in such a capacity in the two-year period immediately preceding such person's appointment to the board of ethics.

(E) No person shall serve as a member of the board of ethics if the person has been a candidate for, or was elected to, public office in the immediately preceding three-year period. Filing for an elective office shall constitute a resignation from the board of ethics on the date of filing.

(F) Appointees to the board of ethics shall have professional knowledge or expertise in matters of ethics, finance, governance, or the law.

(G) All proposed appointments to the board of ethics shall be subject to an education and employment background check as well as a criminal history check. Persons proposed to be appointed to the board of ethics shall execute all releases necessary for the appointing authority to accomplish such checks. If the nominee is determined to have committed a felony, the nomination shall be withdrawn.

(2)(A) The initial board of ethics shall be appointed as provided in this paragraph to take office on January 1, 2022, and to serve for the terms prescribed in this paragraph.

(B) Not later than December 1, 2021, the members of the initial board of ethics shall be selected as follows:

(i) Five members shall be appointed by the grand jury of Henry County, provided that each such member shall reside in a different commission district than the other members appointed pursuant to this subparagraph; and

(ii) Two members shall be appointed by the tax commissioner of Henry County.

(C) In addition to the members appointed as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, there shall be two alternate members who shall serve to ensure a quorum when members of the board are absent, have a conflict of interest, or find it necessary

to recuse themselves or while a vacancy exists on the board. The alternates shall be selected by the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County.

(D) The members and alternates shall each serve for terms of three years; provided, however, that the terms of the initial appointees of the grand jury shall be specified at the time of their appointments. One shall serve until December 31, 2022, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later; one shall serve until December 31, 2023, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later; and one shall serve until December 31, 2024, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later. The initial member appointed by the tax commissioner of Henry County shall serve until December 31, 2023, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later. The initial alternate members appointed by the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County shall serve the terms specified by the clerk of the superior court at the time of the initial appointments. One shall serve until December 31, 2022, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later, and one shall serve until December 31, 2024, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later.

(E) Successors to all members and alternates of the board of ethics and future successors shall be appointed by the respective appointing authorities not less than 30 days prior to the expiration of each such member's term of office, and such successors shall take office on January 1 following such appointment and shall serve terms of three years and until their respective successors are appointed and qualified. No individual shall be appointed to more than two consecutive terms, provided that the initial terms under this Act shall not be counted in such determination.

(F) The clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County shall provide administrative assistance to the grand jury regarding the appointment of board members pursuant to this section. Upon a vacancy occurring or the conclusion of the term of a board member appointed pursuant to division (i) of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County shall notify the then sitting grand jury of its duty pursuant to this section.

(3) If a member of the board of ethics ceases to be a resident of Henry County, and where applicable the commission district he or she represents, that member's position on the board of ethics, by operation of law, shall become vacant upon the establishment of the fact of such nonresidency, if contested, by a court of competent jurisdiction. A vacancy in the board of ethics shall exist by reason of death, the disability or incapacity of a member for more than 90 days, resignation, or loss of residency as described in this paragraph. A member of the board of ethics may be removed from office during a term if the member becomes ineligible to hold civil office within the meaning of Code Section 45-2-1 of the O.C.G.A. and that ineligibility is established by decision of a court of competent jurisdiction which declares the office vacant because of such ineligibility or for good cause by a majority vote of the board of ethics. The ethics officer shall notify the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County and the tax commissioner of Henry County of a vacancy upon its occurrence, and such vacancy

shall be filled for the unexpired term by the respective appointing authority.

(4) The members of the board of ethics shall serve without compensation and shall elect from their own membership a chairperson and otherwise provide for their own internal organization. The board of commissioners shall provide adequate office and meeting space and pay all administrative costs, including those specifically stipulated in this section, pertaining to the operation of the board of ethics. The board of ethics shall be authorized to employ its own staff and clerical personnel and contract for the services of a competent court reporter, an attorney, and a private investigator as it deems necessary. The members of the board of ethics shall have the authority to propose the budget of the board and shall recommend the budget to the board of commissioners, who shall fund it as a priority. In the event that the proposed budget is in excess of $200,000.00, the board of commissioners shall have the authority to authorize the additional funds requested in accordance with standard budgetary procedures and requirements. The board of ethics shall be completely independent and shall not be subject to control or supervision by the chairperson of the board of commissioners, the board of commissioners, or any other official, employee, or agency of the county government.

(5) The board of ethics shall have the following duties:

(A) To establish procedures, rules, and regulations governing its internal organization and the conduct of its affairs;

(B) To render advisory opinions with respect to the interpretation and application of this section to all officials or employees who seek advice as to whether a particular course of conduct would constitute a violation of the standards imposed in this section or other applicable ethical standards. Such opinions shall be binding on the board of ethics in any subsequent complaint concerning the official or employee who sought the opinion and acted in good faith, unless material facts were omitted or misstated in the request for the advisory opinion;

(C) To prescribe forms for the disclosures required in this section and to make available to the public the information disclosed as provided in this section;

(D) To receive and hear complaints of violations of the standards required by this section over which it has personal and subject matter jurisdiction;

(E) To make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine whether any official or employee has violated or is about to violate any provisions of this section; and

(F) To hold such hearings and make such inquiries as it deems necessary for it to carry out properly its functions and powers.

(j) Ethics officer.

(1) There is hereby created as a full-time salaried position an ethics officer for Henry County. The ethics officer must be an active member of the State Bar of Georgia in good standing with five years' experience in the practice of law. The ethics officer shall be appointed by a majority of the members of the board of ethics for a period not to exceed six years. Removal of the ethics officer before the expiration of the designated term shall be for cause by a majority vote of the members of the board of ethics. The

ethics officer need not be a resident of the county at the time of his or her appointment, but he or she shall reside in Henry County within six months of such appointment and continue to reside therein throughout such appointment.

(2) The ethics officer shall not be involved in partisan or nonpartisan political activities or the political affairs of Henry County.

(3) The duties of the ethics officer shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Educating and training all county officials and employees to have an awareness and understanding of the mandate for and enforcement of ethical conduct and advising them of the provisions of the code of ethics of Henry County;

(B) Meeting with the board of ethics;

(C) Advising officials and employees regarding disclosure statements and reviewing the same to ensure full and complete financial reporting;

(D) Urging compliance with the code of ethics by calling to the attention of the board of ethics any failure to comply or any issues, including the furnishing of false or misleading information, that the ethics officer believes should be investigated by the board of ethics so that the board of ethics may take such action as it deems appropriate;

(E) Monitoring, evaluating, and acting upon information obtained from an ethics hotline, which shall be a county telephone number for the receipt of information about ethical violations. Each complaint, as of the time it is reported, whether by telephone or otherwise, shall be deemed to be a separate pending investigation of a complaint against a public officer or employee as provided by Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.;

(F) Reporting, as appropriate, suspected ethical violations to the board of ethics;

(G) Reporting, as appropriate, suspected criminal violations to state or federal law enforcement agencies; and

(H) Filing with the board of ethics and the board of commissioners on the first Tuesday of each February a written report describing the activities of the ethics officer in carrying out the goals of his or her office and the code of ethics and reporting on the ethical health of Henry County.

(k) Ethics administrator.

(1) There is hereby created as a full-time salaried position an ethics administrator for Henry County. The ethics administrator shall be selected by the board of ethics and shall serve at the pleasure of the board.

(2) The ethics administrator shall not be involved in partisan or nonpartisan political activities or the political affairs of Henry County.

(3) The duties of the ethics administrator shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Maintaining the records of the board of ethics as required by Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.;

(B) Notifying the subject of a report of any alleged violation of the ethics code, whether the report is anonymous, made by an identified individual, or written. Such notice shall be given in writing to the subject of the complaint at the same time and

in the same form that any disclosure of information is required by Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.;

(C) Notifying the board of ethics of any report of an alleged violation of the ethics code received by the ethics administrator; and

(D) Such other duties as may be assigned by the board of ethics.

(l) Investigations and hearings.

(1) The board of ethics shall conduct investigations into alleged violations of the code of ethics, hold hearings, and issue decisions as prescribed in this subsection.

(2) The proceedings and records of the board of ethics shall be open unless otherwise permitted by state law.

(3) Upon request of the board of ethics, the Henry County Solicitor or any attorney representing the office of the Henry County Solicitor, or in the event of a conflict any attorney who shall be selected by a majority vote of the board of ethics, shall advise the board of ethics.

(4) A complaint may be filed by the ethics officer, any resident, or a group of residents of Henry County by submitting to the ethics administrator a written, verified, and sworn complaint under the penalty of perjury or false swearing. The complaint shall specifically identify all provisions of the Henry County code of ethics which the subject of the complaint is alleged to have violated, set forth facts as would be admissible in evidence in a court proceeding, and show affirmatively that the complainant or affiant, if in addition to or different from the complainant, is competent to testify to the matter set forth therein. All documents referenced in the complaint as well as supporting affidavits shall be attached to the complaint.

(5) Upon receipt of the complaint, the ethics administrator shall bring the complaint before the board of ethics which shall cause the ethics officer to conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether it meets the jurisdictional requirements as set forth in this section. Upon the conclusion of the preliminary investigation, the ethics officer shall report his or her findings to the board. If, in the opinion of the board, the complaint fails to meet the jurisdictional requirements as set forth in this section, the board shall direct the ethics officer to notify the person who filed the complaint and such person shall have ten days from the date of notice to correct and refile the complaint with the board. A complaint which fails to satisfy the jurisdictional requirements as established by this section and by the rules and procedures established by the board of ethics shall be dismissed by the board of ethics no later than 30 days after the complaint is filed with the ethics administrator, unless extended by a majority vote of the board of ethics.

(6) The ethics officer will report his or her findings and recommendation to the board of ethics and advise whether there is probable cause for belief that the code of ethics has been violated, warranting a formal hearing. If the board of ethics determines, after the preliminary investigation of a complaint by the ethics officer, that there does not exist probable cause for belief that this section has been violated, the board of ethics shall so notify the complainant and the subject of the investigation, and the complaint will be dismissed. If the board of ethics determines, after a preliminary investigation of the complaint by the ethics officer, that there does exist probable cause for belief that

this section has been violated, the board of ethics shall give notice to the person involved to attend a hearing to determine whether there has been a violation of this section.

(7) For use in proceedings under this section, the board of ethics shall have the power to issue subpoenas to compel any person to appear, give sworn testimony, or produce documentary or other evidence. Any person who fails to respond to such subpoenas may be subjected to the penalties set forth in subsection (m) of this section.

(8) All hearings of the board of ethics pursuant to this section shall be as follows:

(A) All testimony shall be under oath, which shall be administered by a member of the board of ethics. Any person who appears before the board of ethics shall have all of the due process rights, privileges, and responsibilities of a witness appearing before the courts of this state. Any person whose name is mentioned during a proceeding of the board of ethics and who may be adversely affected thereby may appear personally before the board of ethics on such person's own behalf or may file a written sworn statement for incorporation into the record to be made part of all proceedings pursuant to this subsection;

(B) The decision of the board of ethics shall be governed by a preponderance of the evidence standard; and

(C) At the conclusion of proceedings concerning an alleged violation, the board of ethics shall immediately begin deliberations on the evidence and proceed to determine by a majority vote of members present whether there has been a violation of this section. The findings of the board of ethics concerning a violation and the record of the proceedings shall be made public by the ethics officer as soon as practicable after the determination has been made.

(9) Any investigation or hearing pursuant to this subsection shall be commenced within two years of the date of the alleged violation; provided, however, that any complaint filed against an elected official within 60 days of an election in which such official is a candidate for public office shall not be acted upon until such election is concluded and certified.

(10) The county attorney shall be prohibited from appearing before the board of ethics on behalf of any person.

(m) Violations; appeals.

(1) Any intentional violation of this section, furnishing of false or misleading information to the board of ethics or the ethics officer, failure to follow an opinion rendered by the board of ethics, or failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the board of ethics pursuant to this section shall subject the violator to any one or more of the following:

(A) Administrative sanction of not more than $1,000.00 assessed by the board of ethics;

(B) Public reprimand by the board of ethics; and

(C) Prosecution by the Henry County Solicitor in the magistrate court of Henry County and, upon conviction, a fine of up to $1,000.00 per violation and up to six months' imprisonment whether the official or employee is elected or appointed, paid

or unpaid. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to conflict with state law. An action for violation of this section or the furnishing of false or misleading information or the failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the board of ethics must be brought within two years after the violation is discovered.

(2) With regard to violations by persons other than officials or employees, in addition to the remedies in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the board of ethics may recommend to the board of commissioners any one or more of the following:

(A) Suspension of a contractor; and

(B) Disqualification or debarment from contracting or subcontracting with Henry County.

(3) The decision of the board of ethics after a hearing shall be final; provided, however, that such proceeding shall be subject to review by writ of certiorari to the Superior Court of Henry County. The ethics administrator shall be authorized to acknowledge service of any such writ and shall, within the time provided by law, certify and cause to be filed with the clerk of the superior court a record of the proceedings before the board of ethics, the decision of the board of ethics, and the notice of the final actions of the board of ethics."

**SECTION 3.**

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 8.2 as follows:

"SECTION 8.2.

(a) The Board of Commissioners of Henry County, Georgia, in addition to such power and authority granted to it by local law, general statute, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, or the now existing ordinances of Henry County, Georgia, shall have the power to:

(1) Reject, within 30 days of appointment, the chairperson's appointment of a nonelected individual to serve as county manager and individuals to serve as county clerk and county attorney, provided that any such vote to reject an appointment must be approved by at least four commissioners;

(2) Establish the compensation and job description of the county manager and assistant county managers;

(3) Establish the compensation and job description of the county clerk and such assistant county clerks as deemed necessary; provided, however, that, in addition to any additional duties and responsibilities, the county clerk shall be the official custodian of records for Henry County and shall keep and maintain the minutes of meetings of the Board of Commissioners of Henry County;

(4) Establish the compensation of such attorney or attorneys designated to serve as county attorney and assistant county attorneys who shall serve as legal counsel to the chairperson and the board of commissioners; provided, however, that where there is a conflict between the chairperson and members of the board of commissioners, and unless otherwise provided by the board of commissioners, the Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct for attorneys in Georgia, or order of court, the county attorney

shall serve as legal counsel to the board of commissioners. Unless otherwise provided by the board of commissioners, the Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct for attorneys in Georgia, or order of court, the county attorney in all legal proceedings shall serve as the attorney of record for Henry County, Georgia, and the chairperson and the board of commissioners shall serve in their official capacities;

(5) Establish personnel policies for the personnel of Henry County government;

(6) Appoint, from time to time, one or more individuals to serve as executive assistant to the board of commissioners;

(7) Establish the qualifications, compensation, and job description of such executive assistant or assistants; and

(8) Hire, fire, discipline, suspend, or demote such executive assistant or assistants.

(b) The chairperson shall:

(1) Serve as the chief executive and elective officer of the county;

(2) Serve as a full voting member of the board of commissioners;

(3) Serve as presiding officer over meetings of the board of commissioners and shall set the agenda for all meetings of the board of commissioners;

(4)(A) Appoint, subject to rejection of the board of commissioners, and have the authority to fire, discipline, or suspend the county manager, county clerk, and county attorney.

(B) In the event that the board of commissioners rejects an appointment made pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, the chairperson shall appoint a new officer to serve subject to rejection by the board of commissioners as provided for in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this section;

(5) Execute documents and instruments on behalf of the county;

(6) After consultation with the county manager, submit to the board of commissioners an annual budget for consideration and adoption by the board of commissioners;

(7) See that the ordinances, resolutions, and regulations of the board of commissioners and the laws of the state are faithfully executed and enforced;

(8) Coordinate intergovernmental activity between the county and municipalities, other counties, other political subdivisions, and state and federal agencies;

(9) Either individually or with the other members of the board of commissioners, initiate the assessment of the needs of the county, evaluate county services, and develop the policies of the county;

(10) Represent or designate an individual to represent Henry County at ceremonial functions;

(11) Have the power to delegate, in writing, administrative duties of the county to the county manager;

(12) Approve all expense, reimbursement, or other nonsalary payments to commissioners, provided that if such payment is denied by the chairperson, a majority of the board of commissioners may vote to approve such payment at a regular meeting of the board of commissioners;

(13) Unless a specific appointment authority is otherwise provided by state law, appoint a member to any authority, board, or commission established by the board of

commissioners; and

(14) After consultation with the board of commissioners, approve an annual work plan for the county manager.

(c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the county manager shall have the power to hire, fire, discipline, suspend, or demote any employee of Henry County or delegate such power to one or more nonelected employees. Assistant county managers and department heads may be hired, fired, disciplined, suspended, or demoted by the county manager with the approval of the chairperson. Subject to the approval of the chairperson, the county manager shall have the power to establish and change organizational charts for all county departments.

(2)(A) Assistant county clerks may be hired, fired, disciplined, suspended, or demoted by the county clerk.

(B) Assistant county attorneys may be hired, fired, disciplined, suspended, or demoted by the county attorney."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there was no objection, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bills as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bills on the Local Consent Calendar, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local bills, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

The bills on the Local Consent Calendar, except SB 22, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

SB 22, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross SB 193, which was on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 33, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and SB 193 was engrossed.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that Senator Cowsert of the 46th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Cowsert was excused.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2021
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 193 Ad Valorem Taxation of Property; requiring that mobile homes procure and display decals; grant counties the option (FIN-53rd)

SB 105 State-Wide Probation System; conditions and procedures under which probation may be terminated early; revise (Substitute)(JUDY-17th)

SB 143 Mechanics and Materialmen; waiver of lien and labor or material bond rights; conform a reference within a statutory form (JUDY-37th)

SB 159 Elementary and Secondary Education; provision relating to student transportation; revise (Substitute)(ED&Y-51st)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 193. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th, Harbison of the 15th, Jackson of the 2nd, Hatchett of the 50th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to grant counties the option of requiring that mobile homes procure and display decals; to revise the time for payment of related ad valorem taxes; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
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| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| E Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 193, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/25/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 193. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Goodman of the 8th

SB 105. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Thompson of the 14th, Anderson of the 43rd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, and Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state-wide probation system, so as to revise the conditions and procedures under which probation may be terminated early; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 105:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, and Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state-wide probation system, so as to revise the conditions and procedures under which probation may be terminated early; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 17-10-1, relating to fixing of sentence, suspension or probation of sentence, change in sentence, eligibility for parole, prohibited modifications, and exceptions, as follows:

"(a)(1)(A) Except in cases in which life imprisonment, life without parole, or the death penalty may be imposed, upon a verdict or plea of guilty in any case involving a misdemeanor or felony, and after a presentence hearing, the judge fixing the sentence shall prescribe a determinate sentence for a specific number of months or years which shall be within the minimum and maximum sentences prescribed by law as the punishment for the crime. The judge imposing the sentence is granted power and authority to suspend or probate all or any part of the entire sentence under such rules and regulations as the judge deems proper, including service of a probated sentence in the sentencing options system, as provided by Article 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 42, and including the authority to revoke the suspension or probation when the defendant has violated any of the rules and regulations prescribed by the court, even before the probationary period has begun, subject to the conditions set out in this subsection; provided, however, that such action shall be subject to the provisions of Code Sections 17-10-6.1 and 17-10-6.2.

(B)(i) When a defendant with no prior felony conviction is convicted of felony offenses or is charged with felony offenses and is sentenced pursuant to subsection (a) or (c) of Code Section 16-13-2 or Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 42, and the court imposes a sentence of probation or not more than 12 months of imprisonment followed by a term of probation, the court shall include a behavioral incentive date in its sentencing order that does not exceed three years from the date such sentence is imposed. Within 60 days of the expiration of such incentive date, if the defendant has ~~not been arrested for anything other than a nonserious traffic offense as defined in Code Section 35-3-37, has been compliant with the general and special conditions of probation imposed, and has paid all restitution owed~~ (1) paid all restitution owed; (2) not had his or her probation revoked in the

immediately preceding 24 months, or when the court includes a behavioral incentive date less than two years from the date a sentence was imposed, not had his or her probation revoked during such period; and (3) not been arrested for anything other than a nonserious traffic offense as defined in Code Section 35-3-37, the Department of Community Supervision shall notify the prosecuting attorney and the court of such facts. The Department of Community Supervision shall provide the court with an order to terminate such defendant's probation which the court shall execute unless the court or the prosecuting attorney requests a hearing on such matter within 30 days of the receipt of such order. The court shall set the matter for a hearing as soon as possible but not more than 90 days after receiving the order to terminate. The court shall take whatever action it determines would be for the best interest of justice and the welfare of society.

(ii) This subparagraph is intended to be retroactive and shall be applied to any case in which a person with no prior felony conviction was convicted of felony offenses or was charged with felony offenses and was sentenced pursuant to subsection (a) or (c) of Code Section 16-13-2 or Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 42, and the court imposed a sentence of probation or a sentence of not more than 12 months of imprisonment followed by a term of probation. A behavioral incentive date shall as a matter of law be included in the sentencing order, but in a case where it was not, the behavioral incentive date shall be three years from the date such sentence was imposed.

(2)(A) Active probation supervision shall terminate in all cases no later than two years from the commencement of active probation supervision unless specially extended or reinstated by the sentencing court upon notice and hearing and for good cause shown; provided, however, that in those cases involving:

(i) The collection of restitution, the period of active probation supervision shall remain in effect for so long as any such obligation is outstanding, or until termination of the sentence, whichever first occurs;

(ii) A conviction under Chapter 15 of Title 16, the 'Georgia Street Gang Terrorism and Prevention Act,' the period of active probation supervision shall remain in effect until the termination of the sentence, but shall not exceed five years unless as otherwise provided in this paragraph; or

(iii) A conviction that requires the defendant to register on the state sexual offender registry pursuant to Code Section 42-1-12, the period of active probation supervision shall remain in effect until the court orders unsupervised probation, or until termination of the sentence, whichever first occurs.

(B) Probation supervision shall not be required for defendants sentenced to probation while the defendant is in the legal custody of the Department of Corrections or the State Board of Pardons and Paroles.

(3)(A) Any part of a sentence of probation revoked for a violation other than a subsequent commission of any felony, a violation of a special condition, or a misdemeanor offense involving physical violence resulting in bodily injury to an innocent victim which in the opinion of the trial court constitutes a danger to the

community or a serious infraction occurring while the defendant is assigned to an alternative probation confinement facility shall be served in a probation detention center, probation boot camp, weekend lock up, or confinement in a local jail or detention facility, or other community correctional alternatives available to the court or provided by the Department of Corrections.

(B) A parolee or probationer charged with a misdemeanor involving physical injury or an attempt to commit physical injury or terroristic threats or with a new felony shall not be entitled to bond pending a hearing on the revocation of his or her parole or probation, except by order of a judge of the superior, state, or magistrate court wherein the alleged new offense occurred after a hearing and upon determination of the superior, state, or magistrate court that the parolee or probationer does not constitute a threat to the community; provided, however, that this subparagraph does not authorize state or magistrate court judges to grant bail for a person charged with any offense listed in subsection (a) of Code Section 17-6-1.

(4) In cases of imprisonment followed by probation, the sentence shall specifically provide that the period of probation shall not begin until the defendant has completed service of the confinement portion of the sentence. No revocation of any part of a probated sentence shall be effective while a defendant is in the legal custody of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles.

(5)(A) When a defendant has been sentenced to probation, the court shall retain jurisdiction throughout the period of the probated sentence as provided for in subsection (g) of Code Section 42-8-34. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the court may shorten the period of active probation supervision or unsupervised probation on motion of the defendant or on its own motion, or upon the request of a community supervision officer, if the court determines that probation is no longer necessary or appropriate for the ends of justice, the protection of society, and the rehabilitation of the defendant. <u>When the court is presented with a petition to shorten the period of active probation supervision or unsupervised probation, the court shall set the matter for a hearing as soon as possible but not more than 90 days after receiving such motion.</u> Prior to entering any order for shortening a period of probation, the court shall afford notice to the victim or victims of all sex related offenses or violent offenses resulting in serious bodily injury or death and, upon request of the victim or victims so notified, shall afford notice and an opportunity for hearing to the defendant and the prosecuting attorney.

(B) The Department of Community Supervision shall establish a form document which shall include the elements set forth in this Code section concerning notification of victims and shall make copies of such form available to prosecuting attorneys in this state. When requested by the victim, the form document shall be provided to the victim by the prosecuting attorney. The form shall include the address of the community supervision office having jurisdiction over the case and contain a statement that the victim must maintain a copy of his or her address with the community supervision office and must notify the office of any change of address in order to maintain eligibility for notification by the Department of

Community Supervision as required in this Code section.

(6)(A) Except as otherwise authorized by law, no court shall modify, suspend, probate, or alter a previously imposed sentence so as to reduce or eliminate a period of incarceration or probation and impose a financial payment which:

(i) Exceeds the statutorily specified maximum fine, plus all penalties, fees, surcharges, and restitution permitted or authorized by law; or

(ii) Is to be made to an entity which is not authorized by law to receive fines, penalties, fees, surcharges, or restitution.

(B) The prohibitions contained in this paragraph shall apply regardless of whether a defendant consents to the modification, suspension, probation, or alteration of such defendant's sentence and the imposition of such payment.

(C) Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit or prevent a court from requiring, as a condition of suspension, modification, or probation of a sentence in a criminal case involving child abandonment, that the defendant pay all or a portion of child support which is owed to the custodial parent of a child which is the subject of such case.

(7) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Active probation supervision' means the period of a probated sentence in which a probationer actively reports to his or her community supervision officer or is otherwise under the direct supervision of a community supervision officer.

(B) 'Unsupervised probation' means the period of a probated sentence that follows active probation supervision in which:

(i) All of the conditions and limitations imposed by the court remain intact;

(ii) A probationer may have reduced reporting requirements; and

(iii) A community supervision officer shall not actively supervise such probationer."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state-wide probation system, is amended by revising Code Section 42-8-37, relating to effect of termination of probated portion of sentence, review of cases of persons receiving probated sentence, and reports, as follows:

"42-8-37.

(a) Upon the termination of the probated portion of a sentence, the probationer shall be released from probation and shall not be liable to sentence for the crime for which probation was allowed; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not be construed to prohibit the conviction and sentencing of the probationer for the subsequent commission of the same or a similar offense or for the subsequent continuation of the offense for which he or she was previously sentenced.

(b) The court may at any time cause the probationer to appear before it to be admonished or commended and, when satisfied that its action would be for the best interest of justice and the welfare of society, may discharge the probationer from further supervision.

(c)(1) The case of each person receiving a probated sentence of three years or more

shall be reviewed by the officer responsible for such case after service of three years on probation, and a written report of the probationer's progress shall be submitted to the sentencing court along with the officer's recommendation as to early termination. The report shall specifically state whether the probationer has been arrested for anything other than a nonserious traffic offense as defined in Code Section 35-3-37, whether the probationer has ~~been compliant with the general and special conditions of probation imposed~~ had his or her probation revoked in the immediately preceding 24 months, and the status of the probationer's payments toward any restitution ~~or any fines and fees~~ imposed. Each such case shall be reviewed and a written report submitted annually thereafter until the termination, expiration, or other disposition of the case. If early termination is recommended in the written report, DCS shall notify the prosecuting attorney and simultaneously provide the court with an order to terminate such probation. The court shall execute the order to terminate unless the court or the prosecuting attorney requests a hearing on such matter within 30 days of the receipt of such order. The court shall set the matter for a hearing as soon as possible but not more than 90 days after receiving the order to terminate. The court shall take whatever action it determines would be for the best interest of justice and the welfare of society.

(2) This subsection is intended to be retroactive and applied to any ~~case when a person received a probated sentence of three years or more~~ probationer under the supervision of DCS.

(d)(1) When a probationer is on probation for a qualified offense, DCS shall ~~file a petition~~ provide the court with an order to terminate his or her probation if, after serving three years on probation, the probationer has:

(A) Paid all restitution owed;

(B) Not had his or her probation revoked ~~during such period~~ in the immediately preceding 24 months; and

(C) Not been arrested for anything other than a nonserious traffic offense as defined in Code Section 35-3-37.

(2) When the court is presented with such ~~petition~~ order, it shall execute the order to terminate unless the court or the prosecuting attorney requests a hearing on such matter within 30 days of the receipt of such order. The court shall set the matter for a hearing as soon as possible but not more than 90 days after receiving the order to terminate. The court shall take whatever action it determines would be for the best interest of justice and the welfare of society. ~~When such petition is unopposed, the court shall issue an order as soon as possible or otherwise set the matter for a hearing within 90 days of receiving such petition.~~

(3) This subsection is intended to be retroactive and applied to any probationer under the supervision of DCS."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| E Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 105, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 143. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen, so as to conform a reference within a statutory form regarding waiver of lien and labor or material bond rights; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| E Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 143, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 159. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Ginn of the 47th and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 159:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended in Code Section 20-2-188, relating to student transportation, by revising subsection (e) as follows:

"(e) The State Board of Education shall establish and require adherence to minimum specifications for vehicles used or contracted to be used by local units of administration for transporting students, including a motor vehicle with a capacity of eight persons or less operated and marked for the transportation of school children to and from school activities, taking into account the factors and circumstances set forth in subsection (a) of this Code section, and shall establish and require adherence to minimum standards and requirements respecting maintenance, repair, inspection, and use of such vehicles and minimum qualifications for the drivers of such vehicles; provided, however, that such transportation shall not be authorized to be provided by a ride share network service or transportation referral service, as such terms are defined in Code Section 40-1-190. The state board shall require, monitor, and fund a program of safety instruction in the practices of safe riding and emergency bus evacuation drills for both school bus drivers and students riding school buses."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Part 1 of Article 22, relating to the powers of state and local school officials with respect to school buses, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-1076.

(a) Local boards of education may authorize the use of vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities, where appropriate. Such vehicles may include motor vehicles with a capacity of eight persons or less operated and marked for the transportation of school children to and from school activities; provided, however, that such transportation shall not be authorized to be provided by a ride share network service or transportation referral service, as such terms are defined in Code Section 40-1-190.

(b) Local boards shall comply with all requirements established by the State Board of

Education pursuant to Code Section 20-2-188, including minimum standards and requirements, which shall be delineated separately from requirements for school buses; for maintenance, repair, inspection, and use of such vehicles; minimum qualifications for the drivers of such vehicles; and other requirements as deemed necessary by the State Board of Education. Local boards may establish requirements in addition to such minimum state requirements, in the discretion of the local board.

(c) Local boards are authorized and required to cause policies of insurance to be issued insuring the students being transported to and from school related activities against bodily injury or death at any time resulting from an accident or collision in which such vehicles are involved. The amount of such insurance shall be within the discretion of each local board of education."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 159, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Friday, February 26, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:22 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Friday, February 26, 2021
Twenty-fourth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

At 10:02 a.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease subject to the call of the chair.

At 11:07 a.m. the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported a correction to be made to the Report of the Committees made on February 18, 2021.

Senator Payne of the 54th was recognized to explain the correction. The Report of the Committee on Education and Youth from February 18, 2021 erroneously read that "SB 42 Do Pass by substitute (LC 49-0396S)." The committee had actually recommended that "SB 42 Do Pass by substitute (LC 49-0469S)." Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that the report of the committee be corrected to accurately reflect the action taken by the committee.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 34. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Hawkins of the 27th, Corbett of the 174th, Hitchens of the 161st, Blackmon of the 146th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 44 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to speech-language pathologists and

audiologists, so as to revise licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact"; to provide the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology with the power to administer such compact in this state and to conduct national background checks for which applicants for licensure are required to submit fingerprints; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 43. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Jones of the 47th, Nix of the 69th, Martin of the 49th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, so as to require motor vehicle registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate; to provide for the sharing of such information with law enforcement upon a vehicle tag inquiry; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 63. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Corbett of the 174th, Smith of the 133rd, Ridley of the 6th, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5C of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alternative ad valorem tax on motor vehicles, so as to revise the definition of fair market value of the motor vehicle to exclude certain interest and financing charges for leased motor vehicles; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 141. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Reeves of the 34th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to victim compensation, so as to provide for requirements for awards made from the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund to medical service providers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 218. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Powell of the 32nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Pirkle of the 155th and Taylor of the 173rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-11-126 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to having or carrying handguns, long guns, or other weapons, license requirement, and exceptions for homes, motor vehicles, private property, and other locations and conditions, so as to expand weapons carry license reciprocity in this state; to provide that persons who are not residents of this state shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state if licensed to carry in any other state; to provide that the Attorney General shall enter into an agreement with any state that requires an agreement to recognize and give effect to weapons carry licenses for reciprocity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 442. By Representatives Collins of the 68th, Efstration of the 104th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Ballinger of the 23rd and Gravley of the 67th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, so as to provide for the management of social media in parenting plans; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolution of the House:

HR 119. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Hitchens of the 161st, Stephens of the 164th, Petrea of the 166th, Gilliard of the 162nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing United States Senator Johnny Isakson and dedicating a bridge in his honor; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 258. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-51-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certification of operators of water or wastewater treatment plants and laboratory analysts, renewal, continuing education, and training period, so as to provide for a registration fee for board approved continuing education providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 259. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th and Harper of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dangerous instrumentalities and practices, so as to revise various laws pertaining to firearms and the carrying and possession of firearms and other weapons; to revise data base prohibition; to provide for a definition; to provide for causes of action; to provide for a preemption for the discharge of firearms under certain circumstances; to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to disposition of property seized, so as to revise requirements for the disposition of firearms in custody of law enforcement agencies; to provide for causes of action; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 260. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, so as to exclude certain soil amendments from regulation; to limit locally adopted buffers and setbacks; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 261. By Senators Lucas of the 26th, Jones of the 25th, Mullis of the 53rd, Kennedy of the 18th and Tillery of the 19th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 10 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Georgia Music Hall of Fame Authority, so as to remove expired provisions related to the issuance and review of requests for proposals for a new location, ownership, management, or operation of the hall of fame; to amend Part 12 of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame Authority, so as to remove expired provisions related to the issuance and review of requests for proposals for a new location, ownership, management, or operation of the hall of fame; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism.

SB 262. By Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of water pollution and surface-water use, so as to prohibit the application of coal tar sealant products on asphalt paved surfaces and the sale of such products; to provide for exceptions; to provide for local ordinances; to authorize the director of the Environmental Protection Division to provide technical support and enforce compliance; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 263. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Lucas of the 26th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide for the regulation of retail marijuana; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for the regulatory authority of the Department of Revenue; to provide for licensing requirements and restrictions; to provide for regulation of cultivation, manufacturing, testing, and retail sale of marijuana; to prohibit certain acts; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide for a contingent effective date; to provide for automatic repeal under certain conditions; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 264. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Lucas of the 26th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to health, so as to repeal the Low THC Oil Patient Registry; to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to physicians, acupuncture, physician assistants, cancer and glaucoma treatment, respiratory care, clinical perfusionists, and orthotics and prosthetics practice, so as to repeal provisions relating to use of marijuana for treatment of cancer and glaucoma and replace with provisions to provide for medical use of marijuana; to provide for the automatic registration of individuals registered under former Code Section 31-2A-18; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SB 265. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Summers of the 13th, Payne of the 54th and Hickman of the 4th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to solid waste management generally, so as provide for certain buffer areas around landfills; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

SB 266. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Robertson of the 29th, Payne of the 54th, Anderson of the 24th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide that it shall be unlawful for a public school or a private school whose students or teams compete against a public school to operate, sponsor, or facilitate athletic programs or activities that permit a person whose gender is male to participate in an athletic program or activity that is designated for females; to provide for definitions; to provide for remedies for violations; to provide for exceptions; to waive certain immunities; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 267. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Mullis of the 53rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, so as to provide that a retired member who elected an optional retirement allowance that included one or more named beneficiaries shall be eligible to change any of such named beneficiaries under certain conditions and limitations; to provide for related matters; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

SB 268. By Senator Summers of the 13th, Harbin of the 16th, Hickman of the 4th, Anavitarte of the 31st and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the

Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dangerous instrumentalities and practices, so as to provide for protections against the infringements on the right to keep and bear arms; to provide for legislative findings and intent; to provide for a cause of action; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SR 165. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Jackson of the 41st, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to authorize the General Assembly to provide by law for the legalization and regulation of marijuana; to permit persons 21 years of age or older to purchase marijuana for personal use; to provide that fees and tax proceeds from the sale of such marijuana be dedicated equally between education and transportation infrastructure purposes; to provide a procedure to vacate previous misdemeanor marijuana convictions; to provide for submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 44 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to speech-language pathologists and audiologists, so as to revise licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact"; to provide the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology with the power to administer such compact in this state and to conduct national background checks for which applicants for licensure are required to submit fingerprints; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, so as to require motor vehicle registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate; to provide for the sharing of such information with law enforcement upon a vehicle tag inquiry; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 141. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Reeves of the 34th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

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enter into an agreement with any state that requires an agreement to recognize and give effect to weapons carry licenses for reciprocity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 442. By Representatives Collins of the 68th, Efstration of the 104th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Ballinger of the 23rd and Gravley of the 67th:

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Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HR 119. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Hitchens of the 161st, Stephens of the 164th, Petrea of the 166th, Gilliard of the 162nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing United States Senator Johnny Isakson and dedicating a bridge in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 195 Do Pass by substitute
SB 222 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Walker III of the 20th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 90 Do Pass
HB 111 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Brass of the 28th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 220 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 95 Do Pass
SB 152 Do Pass
SB 200 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 92 Do Pass by substitute
SB 117 Do Pass by substitute
SB 168 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 214 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 142 Do Pass by substitute
SR 135 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Science and Technology has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 134 Do Pass
SB 210 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Dolezal of the 27th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 165 Do Pass by substitute
SR 39 Do Pass
SB 203 Do Pass by substitute
SR 102 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Ginn of the 47th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 93 | HB 163 | SB 10 | SB 31 | SB 62 | SB 80 |
| SB 112 | SB 113 | SB 140 | SB 156 | SB 163 | SB 166 |
| SB 169 | SB 185 | | | | |

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Tillery of the 19th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tillery was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 24th asked unanimous consent that Senator Burns of the 23rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Burns was excused.

Senator Ginn of the 47th asked unanimous consent that the call of the roll be dispensed with. There was objection, and the consent was not granted.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Orrock |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Payne |
| Brass | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Seay |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Sims |

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| Dixon | Jones, H. | Strickland |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Summers |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Gooch | Lucas | Watson |
| Goodman | McNeill | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Burns (Excused) | Jackson, L. (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Tillery (Excused) | Thompson |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Jason Thomas of Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 3-1.2 (c), which designates crossover day as Legislative Day 27, for the purpose of designating Legislative Day 28 as crossover day. There was no objection and the consent was granted.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 162. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Butler of the 55th, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Benjamin Warlick; and for other purposes.

SR 163. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mothers Against Drunk Driving Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 164. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 2021 as Family Life Education Month; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross SB 201, which was on today's Senate Rules

Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 31, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and SB 201 was engrossed.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2021
## TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 174 Bonds and Recognizances; appointed judges who are fulfilling a vacancy of an elected judge to issue an unsecured judicial release under certain circumstances; authorize (PUB SAF-51st)

SB 198 Department of Public Safety; subsistence and per diem allowances; receipt of badge and duty weapon upon retirement; provide (Substitute)(PUB SAF-7th)

SB 28 Juvenile Code and Domestic Relations; provisions relating to the protection of children; strengthen, clarify and update (JUDY-50th)

SB 85 "Max Gruver Act"; enact (Substitute)(JUDY-56th)

SB 201 Revenue and Taxation; financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; require (Substitute)(FIN-52nd)

SB 215 Regulation of Hospitals; certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents; authorize (Substitute)(H&HS-20th)

SB 221 Ethics in Government; leadership committees; chairpersons; such committees may receive contributions and make expenditures; provide (RULES-53rd)

SB 116 Children and Youth Services; registration of maternity supportive house residences to provide housing for pregnant women; provide (Substitute)(H&HS-29th)

SB 115 Drivers' Licenses; instructional course; educating drivers and the public on best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; provide (Substitute)(PUB SAF-29th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 174. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Walker III of the 20th, Cowsert of the 46th and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding bonds and recognizances, so as to authorize appointed judges who are fulfilling a vacancy of an elected judge to issue an unsecured judicial release under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 174, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 198. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Albers of the 56th and Robertson of the 29th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Public Safety, so as to provide for subsistence and per diem allowances; to provide for receipt of badge and duty weapon upon retirement; to provide for authority to grant salary increases upon completion of certain education courses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to SB 198:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Public Safety, so as to provide for subsistence and per diem allowances; to provide for receipt of badge and duty weapon upon retirement; to provide for authority to

grant salary increases upon completion of certain education courses; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Public Safety, is amended by adding a new Code Section to read as follows:

"35-2-16.

(a) The commissioner shall be authorized to provide for a subsistence and per diem allowance for employees of the department.

(b) The commissioner shall be authorized to pay to sworn employees of the department additional compensation upon any such employee's retirement in the form of the badge and the duty weapon issued by the department to such employee.

(c) The commissioner shall be authorized to grant a salary increase to those sworn employees of the department and those communications officers who have obtained degrees from an accredited member of the Federation of Regional Accrediting Commissions of Higher Education or who have obtained a degree of completion from some other educational institution with respect to a course of instruction related to law enforcement, so long as both the course of instruction and the institution are specifically approved by the commissioner.

(d) This Code section is not intended to repeal existing law concerning the following:

(1) The authority of the board to pay certain medical expenses incurred by any member of the Georgia State Patrol or the Georgia Bureau of Investigation;

(2) The authority of the commissioner to provide uniforms and supplies to members of the Uniform Division; or

(3) The requirement that board and quarters be furnished to every member of the Uniform Division on active duty."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 35-2-42, relating to compensation of certain members of the Department of Public Safety, subsistence and per diem allowances, receipt of badge and duty weapon upon retirement, and incentive pay, as follows:

"35-2-42.

~~(a)~~ All members of the Uniform Division, all communications officers, and all recruits or cadets shall be governed by rules and regulations as now or hereafter established under Chapter 20 of Title 45.

~~(b) The board shall be authorized to provide for a subsistence and per diem allowance for commissioned officers, noncommissioned officers, and troopers of the Uniform Division.~~

~~(c) The board shall be authorized to pay to sworn members of the Department of Public Safety additional compensation to be paid upon retirement in the form of the badge and the duty weapon issued by the department to such member.~~

~~(d) The board shall be authorized to grant incentive pay to those members of the Uniform Division of the Department of Public Safety and those members of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation who have obtained degrees or certificates from an accredited member of the Federation of Regional Accrediting Commissions of Higher Education or who have obtained a degree or certificate of completion from some other educational institution with respect to a course of instruction related to law enforcement, so long as both the course of instruction and the institution are specifically approved by the board. Any such incentive pay shall be paid according to the following schedule:~~

~~(1) Completion of at least one year of degree-creditable college study consisting of the equivalent of 30 semester hours or 45 quarter hours of education: $200.00 per year;~~

~~(2) Obtaining of associate or two-year degree or certificate of completion of 60 semester hours or 90 quarter hours of education: $400.00 per year;~~

~~(3) Obtaining of a bachelor's or four-year degree: $800.00 per year.~~

~~(e) This Code section is not intended to repeal existing law concerning the following:~~

~~(1) The authority of the board to pay certain medical expenses incurred by any member of the Georgia State Patrol or the Georgia Bureau of Investigation;~~

~~(2) The authority of the commissioner to provide uniforms and supplies to members of the Uniform Division;~~

~~(3) The requirement that board and quarters be furnished to every member of the Uniform Division on active duty; or~~

~~(4) The authorization for officers and troopers to receive a legal award offered for the apprehension of any criminal.~~"

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

SB 198, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

2/26/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 198. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Miller of the 49th

SB 28. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Strickland of the 17th, Dixon of the 45th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 and Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code and domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children; to require annual training for juvenile court intake officers; to provide for the consideration of evidence, including hearsay evidence, in certain juvenile proceedings; to revise provisions relative to the Juvenile Code and the reporting of child abuse; to provide for related matters; to

repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

SB 28, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 85. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-5-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hazing, so as to provide for an expanded definition of hazing; to provide for inclusion of minors as the subject of hazing; to provide for penalties; to provide for the Attorney General to bring civil actions against certain organizations regarding hazing incidents; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, so as to provide for mandatory reports of hazing related violations at schools in the state; to provide for and revise definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 85:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 16-5-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hazing, so as to provide for an expanded definition of hazing; to provide for inclusion of minors as the subject of hazing; to provide for penalties; to provide for the Attorney General to bring civil actions against certain organizations regarding hazing incidents; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, so as to provide for mandatory reports of hazing related violations at schools in the state; to provide for and revise definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Max Gruver Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 16-5-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hazing, is amended as follows:

"16-5-61.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Alcohol' means ethyl alcohol, hydrated oxide of ethyl, or spirits of wine, from whatever source or by whatever process produced.

(2) 'Alcoholic liquid' means any liquid which contains alcohol in any form, including distilled spirits, beer, malt beverages, wine, or fortified wine.

~~(1)~~(3) 'Haze' or 'hazing' means to force or subject a minor or student to perform an activity which endangers or is likely to endanger the physical ~~health of a student, regardless of a student's willingness to participate in such activity.~~ or mental health of the minor or student or which causes or is likely to cause the minor or student to:

(A) Violate federal or state law;

(B) Consume any food, liquid, alcoholic liquid, drug, or other substance in a manner which subjects the minor or student to a substantial risk of emotional, mental, or physical harm, including sickness, vomiting, intoxication, or unconsciousness;

(C) Experience threatened or actual physical injury, including injury resulting from whipping, beating, paddling, branding, or dangerous physical activity, which results in medically verifiable physical harm or severe emotional distress; or

(D) Perform or endure physical activity, including, but not limited to, sleep deprivation, exposure to the elements, confinement in a small space, or calisthenics,

that subjects the other person to an unreasonable risk of harm or that adversely affects the physical health or safety of the individual or causes severe emotional distress.

(4) 'Local affiliate organization' means a school organization that is chartered or recognized by a national organization.

(5) 'Local organization' means a school organization that is not chartered or recognized by a national organization.

(6) 'Minor' means any person under the age of 18 years.

(7) 'National organization' means a school organization that is a separate legal entity from a local affiliate organization which may charter or recognize local affiliate organizations at one or more schools.

(8) 'Postsecondary educational institution' means a school which is:

(A) A unit of the University System of Georgia;

(B) A unit of the Technical College System of Georgia; or

(C) An independent or private college or university located in Georgia and eligible to be deemed an approved school pursuant to paragraph (2) of Code Section 20-3-411.

~~(2)~~(9) 'School' means any public or private ~~school,~~ college, ~~or~~ university, or secondary school in this state.

~~(3)~~(10) 'School organization' means any ~~club, society, fraternity, sorority, or a group living together which has students as its principal members~~ association; corporation; order; club; society; fraternity; sorority; interscholastic, intercollegiate, or club athletic team; group living together which has students as its principal members; or similar group whose members are primarily students or alumni of a school, including local affiliate organizations.

(11) 'Serious bodily injury' includes, but is not limited to, incapacitation which results from or is in conjunction with the consumption of alcoholic liquid and which requires emergency medical attention or which results in a blood alcohol concentration of 0.25 grams or more.

~~(4)~~(12) 'Student' means any person attending or enrolled in a school in this state or who has been accepted for admission to the school where the hazing incident occurred which gives rise to an offense under this Code section.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to haze any minor or student in connection with or as a condition or precondition of gaining acceptance, membership, office, or other status, including enhanced status, in a school organization.

(c) Except as provided for in subsections (d) and (e) of this Code section, any person who commits the offense of hazing ~~Any person who violates this Code section~~ shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 12 months or a fine not to exceed $5,000.00, or both.

(d)(1) Any person who, with the element of force, commits the offense of hazing against a minor or student who suffers serious bodily injury as a result of such hazing shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by

imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years or a fine not to exceed $50,000.00, or both.

(2) Any person who, with the element of force, commits the offense of hazing against a minor or student who suffers death as a result of such hazing shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years or a fine not to exceed $50,000.00, or both.

(e)(1) Any person who directs, encourages, participates in, or engages in a prolonged observation of an act of alleged hazing which results in an injury to another person shall, to the extent possible without danger or peril to himself or herself or another, give reasonable assistance to the injured person, including by requesting medical attention for the injured person directly to a health services provider, law enforcement official, or school official or by contacting 9-1-1 or a similar emergency service.

(2) A person who fails to render reasonable assistance as required by this subsection shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 12 months or a fine not to exceed $5,000.00, or both.

(f)(1) Expressed or implied consent of the minor or student who is the subject of hazing shall not be a defense to the offense of hazing.

(2) The fact that the acts or omissions which constituted the hazing were sanctioned, approved, or treated as traditional or customary by the school organization, local organization, local affiliate organization, national organization, or school shall not be a defense to the offense of hazing.

(g)(1) A person acting in good faith and in a timely manner who reports or participates in reporting an allegation of hazing to a law enforcement official or a school official upon learning of the hazing and who takes reasonable steps to prevent the hazing shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability arising from the reported hazing incident.

(2) A person acting in good faith and in a timely manner shall not be subject to administrative, civil, or criminal liability related to alcohol or drug possession, consumption, or distribution if a law enforcement official or school official has contact with the person because the person:

(A) Requests emergency medical attention for himself or herself or another person who needs or appears to need medical attention because of an injury or alcohol or drug consumption related to alleged hazing;

(B) Acts in concert with another person who requests emergency medical attention for himself or herself or another person who needs or appears to need medical attention because of an injury or alcohol or drug consumption related to alleged hazing; or

(C) Appears to be in need of emergency medical attention because of an injury or alcohol or drug consumption related to alleged hazing.

(3) A physical activity that is normal, customary, and necessary for a person's training and participation in an athletic, physical education, military training, or similar program sanctioned by the postsecondary educational institution shall not be

considered hazing for purposes of this Code section.

(h) The Attorney General is authorized to bring a civil action against the governing board of a local organization, local affiliate organization, or national organization when an employee, agent, official, or governing board member of such organization knowingly directed, authorized, or permitted activities which resulted in hazing; knowingly failed to attempt to prevent or otherwise intervene in activities which resulted in hazing; knowingly failed to timely report an allegation of hazing to a law enforcement official or a school official; or knowingly directed or authorized a person with direct knowledge of an alleged hazing to refrain from reporting such alleged hazing to a law enforcement official or a school official. The imposition of a civil penalty under this subsection shall not bar any criminal prosecution under this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 3

20-1-30.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Alcohol' means ethyl alcohol, hydrated oxide of ethyl, or spirits of wine, from whatever source or by whatever process produced.

(2) 'Alcoholic liquid' means any liquid which contains alcohol in any form, including distilled spirits, beer, malt beverages, wine, or fortified wine.

(3) 'Hazing' means to force or subject a minor or student to perform an activity which endangers or is likely to endanger the physical or mental health of the minor or student or which causes or is likely to cause the minor or student to:

(A) Violate federal or state law;

(B) Consume any food, liquid, alcoholic liquid, drug, or other substance in a manner which subjects the minor or student to a substantial risk of emotional, mental, or physical harm, including sickness, vomiting, intoxication, or unconsciousness;

(C) Experience threatened or actual exposure to physical injury, including injury resulting from whipping, beating, paddling, branding, dangerous physical activity, or exposure to elements, which exposure results in medically verifiable mental or physical harm; or

(D) Experience threatened or actual exposure to mental injury, including injury resulting from activity adversely affecting the mental health or dignity of the individual, sleep deprivation, exclusion from social contact, or conduct that could result in extreme embarrassment, which exposure results in medically verifiable mental or physical harm.

(4) 'Local affiliate organization' means a school organization that is chartered or

recognized by a national organization.
(5) 'Minor' means any person under the age of 18 years.
(6) 'National organization' means a school organization that is a separate legal entity from a local affiliate organization which may charter or recognize local affiliate organizations at one or more schools.
(7) 'Postsecondary educational institution' means a school which is:
(A) A unit of the University System of Georgia;
(B) A unit of the Technical College System of Georgia; or
(C) An independent or private college or university located in Georgia and eligible to be deemed an approved school pursuant to paragraph (2) of Code Section 20-3-411.
(8) 'School organization' means any association; corporation; order; club; society; fraternity; sorority; interscholastic, intercollegiate, or club athletic team; group living together which has students as its principal members; or similar group whose members are primarily students or alumni of a school, including local affiliate organizations.
(9) 'Student' means any person attending or enrolled in a school in this state or who has been accepted for admission to the school where the hazing incident occurred which gives rise to an offense under this article.

20-1-31.
(a) Beginning with the 2021-2022 school year, each postsecondary educational institution shall maintain and publicly report actual findings of violations of the school's code of student conduct or federal or state laws relating to hazing that are reported to school officials, law enforcement officials, national organizations, or any organization formally affiliated with the postsecondary educational institution.
(b) The report required pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall include:
(1) The name of the school organization;
(2) The date the school organization was charged with misconduct;
(3) The date or dates on which the misconduct occurred;
(4) The date the investigation was initiated;
(5) A general description of the incident and the charges, findings, and sanctions placed on the school organization; and
(6) The date on which the investigation ended with a finding that a violation occurred.
(c) Investigations that do not result in a finding of formal violations of the school's code of student conduct shall not be included in the report required pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section. The report shall not include personal identifying information of the individual students and shall be subject to the requirements of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g.
(d) Each postsecondary educational institution shall update this report at least ten calendar days before the start of the fall and spring academic semesters.
(e) Each postsecondary educational institution must make reports required under this

Code section available on its website in a prominent location. The website that contains the reports must include a statement notifying the public:

(1) Of the availability of additional information related to findings, sanctions, and whether the school organization has completed or complied with sanctions imposed;

(2) Where a member of the public may obtain the additional information that is not protected under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 U.S.C. Section 1232g; and

(3) That the postsecondary educational institution is required to provide this additional information pursuant to the Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50.

(f) Each postsecondary educational institution shall furnish a printed notice of the nature and availability of this report and the website address where it can be found to attendees at each student orientation.

(g) Each postsecondary educational institution shall maintain reports as they are updated for five years."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Albers of the 56th and Jackson of the 41st offered the following amendment #1:

Amend the committee substitute to SB 85 by adding on line 72 after the word “who” the words “is 17 years or older”

Adding on line 76 after the word “who” the words “is 17 years or older”

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Albers amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |

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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

SB 85, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 201. By Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the administration of revenue and taxation, so as to require financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; to provide for conditions, limitations, and prohibitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to SB 201:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the administration of revenue and taxation, so as to require financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; to provide for conditions, limitations, and prohibitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the administration of revenue and taxation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-2-63.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Delinquent taxpayer' means a person owing an unpaid tax liability for which appeals from assessments of taxes pursuant to Title 48 or other applicable laws have expired or been exhausted, and for which an execution has been recorded by the department, unless such execution is released, withdrawn, or expired.

(2) 'Financial institution' means:

(A) A depository institution as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section 1813(c);

(B) Any federal or state credit union as defined in 12 U.S.C. Sections 1752; or

(C) Any benefit association, safe deposit company, money market mutual fund, brokerage firm, trust company, or similar entity authorized to do business in the State of Georgia.

(b) The department may request not more than four times a year from a financial institution information provided in subsection (c) of this Code section for delinquent taxpayers for whom the department has filed an execution in accordance with Chapter 3 of this title.

(c) Financial institutions doing business in this state shall, within 30 days after a financial institution receives a request for information under subsection (b) of this Code section, submit a report to the department in a machine-readable, electronic format to be prescribed by the department. Each such report shall identify any accounts the financial institution holds with respect to the delinquent taxpayers identified in the request. The financial institution, to the maximum extent possible, shall provide the name, record address, social security number or other taxpayer identification number, active balance, and other identifying information for each delinquent taxpayer who maintains an account at the financial institution as identified to such financial institution by the department by name and social security number or other taxpayer identification number in a machine-readable, electronic format. The department may pay a reasonable fee to financial institutions for conducting the searches required by this Code section in an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the financial institution or $100.00, whichever is less.

(d) The department is authorized to enter into agreements with financial institutions to develop and operate an automated data exchange to accomplish the provisions of subsection (c) of this Code section.

(e) The department is authorized to designate a third-party agent to administer and operate the data exchange between the department and financial institutions provided for in subsection (d) of this Code section. Any data exchanged shall be protected as if it were confidential tax information and shall not be disclosed except as specifically authorized under this Code section. It shall be unlawful for any person to divulge confidential tax information in violation of this Code section and any such person shall,

upon conviction thereof, be subject to the same penalties that would apply to an employee of the department convicted of divulging confidential tax information.

(f)(1) The department may impose a fine on any financial institution that fails to submit a report required pursuant to this Code section in the amount of $1,000.00, provided that:

(A) The department notifies the financial institution of its failure to submit a report by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested;

(B) Such financial institution fails to submit such report within 15 business days after the mailing of the notification provided for in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; and

(C) Such financial institution fails to present cause for such failure to the department that the department determines to be reasonable cause for such failure.

(2) The department may impose a fine on a financial institution in the amount of $1,000.00 if the department determines that a financial institution willfully provided false information with respect to any cause that such financial institution presents to the department for its failure to submit a report.

(g) The department may use the information received pursuant to this Code section only for the purpose of enforcing the collection of taxes and fees administered by the department. The department shall determine whether to levy upon the accounts identified pursuant to this Code section and shall follow the levy process set forth in Code Section 48-2-55, subject to the rights and remedies of delinquent taxpayers provided for under Code Section 48-2-59 or other provisions of law.

(h) To the extent possible and in compliance with state and federal law, the department shall administer this Code section in the same manner as prescribed in Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 19 to avoid duplication and reduce the burden on financial institutions.

(i) A financial institution furnishing a report to the department or the department's designated agent under this Code section is prohibited from disclosing to any person, including the delinquent taxpayer, any information that has been received from or furnished to the department or the department's designated agent under subsection (e) of this Code section. However, a financial institution may disclose to its depositors or account holders that the department has the authority to request certain identifying information on certain depositors or account holders pursuant to this Code section.

(j) A financial institution that complies with a request from the department by submitting a report to the department or the department's designated agent in accordance with this Code section shall not be liable under state law to any person for:

(1) Disclosing information to the department or the department's designated agent under this Code section;

(2) Encumbering or surrendering any assets held by the financial institution in response to a notice of lien or levy issued by the department; or

(3) Other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of this Code section.

(k) Any financial records obtained pursuant to this Code section may be disclosed only

for the purpose of, and to the extent necessary for, administration and enforcement of the tax laws of this state.
(l) The department may adopt rules establishing the procedures and requirements for conducting data matches with financial institutions pursuant to this Code section.
(m) The commissioner may institute civil proceedings to enforce this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

SB 201, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

Feb. 26, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 201. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

At 12:34 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 12:49 p.m.

At 1:01 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The Calendar was resumed.

SB 215. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Burke of the 11th, Butler of the 55th, Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to authorize certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents under certain circumstances; to provide criteria and requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to SB 215:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to authorize certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents under certain circumstances; to provide criteria and requirements; to provide that certified medication aides are not authorized to administer Schedule II narcotic controlled substances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"31-7-12.7.

(a) A nursing home may employ certified medication aides for the purpose of performing the technical aspects of the administration of certain medications in accordance with this Code section.

(b) A nursing home shall not employ an individual as a certified medication aide unless such individual is listed in the medication aide registry established and maintained by the department pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (g) of Code Section 31-7-12.2, is in good standing with the department, and has met all of the qualifications in paragraph (3) of subsection (g) of Code Section 31-7-12.2.

(c) A nursing home shall annually conduct a comprehensive clinical skills competency review of each certified medication aide employed by such nursing home.

(d) A certified medication aide who meets the criteria established in this Code section shall be permitted to perform the following tasks in a nursing home in accordance with the written instructions of a physician:

(1) Administer physician ordered oral, ophthalmic, topical, otic, nasal, vaginal, and rectal medications;

(2) Administer insulin, epinephrine, and B12 pursuant to physician direction and protocol;

(3) Administer medications via a metered dose inhaler;

(4) Conduct finger stick blood glucose testing following established protocol;

(5) Administer a commercially prepared disposable enema as ordered by a physician; and

(6) Assist residents in the supervision of self-administration of medications.

(e) A certified medication aide shall record in the medication administration record all medications that such certified medication aide has personally administered to a resident of a nursing home and any refusal of a resident to take a medication. A certified medication aide shall observe a resident to whom a medication has been administered and shall report any changes in the condition of such resident to a charge nurse.

(f) All medications administered by a certified medication aide in accordance with this Code section shall be in unit or multidose packaging.

(g) A nursing home that employs one or more certified medication aides to administer medications in accordance with this Code section shall secure the services of a licensed pharmacist to perform the following duties as part of the nursing home's peer review, medical review, and quality assurance functions:

(1) Perform a quarterly review of the drug regimen of each resident of the nursing home and report any irregularities to the nursing home administrator;

(2) Remove for proper disposal any drugs that are expired, discontinued, in a deteriorated condition, or when the resident for whom such drugs were ordered is no longer a resident;

(3) Establish or review policies and procedures for safe and effective drug therapy, distribution, use, and control; and

(4) Monitor compliance with established policies and procedures for medication handling and storage.

(h) A nursing home that employs one or more certified medication aides to administer medications in accordance with this Code section shall ensure that each certified medication aide receives ongoing medication training as prescribed by the department. A registered professional nurse or pharmacist shall conduct quarterly unannounced medication administration observations and report any issues to the nursing home administrator.

(i) Nothing in this Code section shall authorize certified medication aides to administer any Schedule II controlled substance that is a narcotic."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 215, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 221. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to provide for a definition; to provide for leadership committees; to provide for chairpersons; to provide that such committees may receive contributions and make expenditures; to provide for disposition of assets in certain circumstances; to provide for filings and reports; to provide an exception from contribution limits; to provide for certain notices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Beach of the 21st offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SB 221 (LC 28 0192) by inserting at the end of line 20, "leadership committees can only spend funds on general election races or on incumbents in a primary election."

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| N Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| N Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |

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| N Dugan | N Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | N Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 5, nays 43, and the amendment was lost.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 30, nays 21.

SB 221, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Brass of the 28th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Brass was excused.

SB 116. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to children and youth services, so as to provide for registration of maternity supportive housing residences to provide housing for pregnant women; to define a term; to provide for requirements; to prohibit additional rules and regulations; to prohibit constraints imposed by local governments; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to provide a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to SB 116:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to children and youth services, so as to provide for registration of maternity supportive housing residences to provide housing for pregnant women; to define a term; to provide for requirements; to prohibit additional rules and regulations; to prohibit constraints imposed by local governments; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to provide a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as "The Maternity Supportive Housing Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to children and youth services, is amended in Code Section 49-5-3, relating to definitions, by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(13.1) 'Maternity supportive housing residence' means a residential home that houses on behalf of a nonprofit organization up to six pregnant women aged 18 years or older and their minor children at any one time during the woman's pregnancy and up to 18 months after childbirth; provided, however, that no services other than housing shall be provided. This term shall not include the residential home of a relative in which a woman receives maternity care or a general or special hospital."

**SECTION 3.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"49-5-25.

(a)(1) On and after July 1, 2021, all maternity supportive housing residences shall

register in accordance with this Code section by submitting an application to the department upon forms furnished by the department. The form furnished by the department shall require the name, address, and telephone number of the maternity supportive housing residence and emergency contact information.

(2) A registrant shall be required to pay an annual registration fee of $250.00 to the department.

(3) The department shall issue a registration certificate, valid for one year, to a maternity supportive housing residence upon receipt of an application for registration, payment of the registration fee, and notarized attestation by the applicant that the maternity supportive housing residence:

(A) Has written policies and procedures for admission, intake, and record keeping;

(B) Is in compliance with applicable residential building codes; and

(C) Has property insurance coverage on the residence.

(b) The department shall not have the authority to implement rules and regulations for the registration of maternity supportive housing residences but shall have the authority to maintain any records submitted by a residence pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of this Code section.

(c) No county, municipality, or consolidated government shall, by rule or ordinance, constrain the establishment or operation of maternity supportive housing residences or place occupancy requirements on such residences that would not apply to a single family living in the residence.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to require a maternity home to register with the department pursuant to this Code section or for a maternity supportive housing residence to obtain a license or permit as a maternity home or to meet the requirements of a maternity home."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |

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| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 32, nays 17.

SB 116, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 115. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding drivers' licenses, so as to provide for an instructional course or presentation educating drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; to provide for duties by the Department of Driver Services and the Department of Public Safety; to provide for instructional content; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to SB 115:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding drivers' licenses, so as to provide for an instructional course or presentation educating drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; to provide for duties by the Department of Driver Services and the Department of Public Safety; to provide for instructional content; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding drivers' licenses, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-5-10.

The department, in collaboration with the Department of Public Safety, shall offer an instructional course or presentation to educate drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers. Such instructional course or presentation shall be designed by the Department of Public Safety and shall be hosted in locations provided for by the department and will include, but not be limited to, electronic and video formats. Such instructional course shall be used as part of other driver education programs provided for by law by educational institutions, the department, and driver training schools licensed by the department. Such course shall be designed to include the following information:

(1) The best practices of what a driver should do during a traffic stop initiated by a law enforcement officer;

(2) Recommendations for interacting with law enforcement officers during traffic stops;

(3) The consequences associated with continuous citations and habitual violations; and

(4) Understanding officer discretion and legal precedents which provide the grounds for a law enforcement officer's actions, which may include, but not be limited to, requesting identification, use of force, detainment, pursuits, and legal warnings."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |

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| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 36, nays 13.

SB 115, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

At 1:56 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease.

At 1:57 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Parent of the 42nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Anna Skold, M.D.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to SR 82 until 1:00 p.m. Monday, March 1, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, March 1, 2021
Twenty-fifth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 1:00 p.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 152. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1A of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions, so as to revise provisions regarding the exemption applicable to certain institutions operating on military installations or bases; to provide for biennial review of institutions rather than programs; to provide for awards of costs and reasonable attorney's fees in favor of the Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission; to provide for alternative review of renewal applications by institutions in good standing with recognized accrediting agencies; to provide for filing a surety bond in the event of a change of ownership of an institution; to provide for the remittal of surety bonds; to provide for assessment of investigation costs incurred by the commission; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 253. By Representative Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Jones County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for a short title; to confer powers upon the authority; to provide for

purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of this Act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 271. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd, Lott of the 122nd and Sharper of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for emergency medical services, so as to authorize the Department of Community Health to assess one or more provider matching payments on ambulance services for the purpose of obtaining federal financial participation for Medicaid; to provide for definitions; to provide for payment into the Indigent Care Trust Fund; to provide for penalties; to provide for the use of funds; to provide for inspection of records; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 275. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Hatchett of the 150th, Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 25 and Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to firefighter standards and training and to emergency medical services personnel, respectively, so as to require random drug tests for certain firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and cardiac technicians; to provide for licensure and certification of emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and cardiac technicians previously convicted of a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 289. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Corbett of the 174th, Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Barton of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to issuance, expiration, and renewal of drivers' licenses, so as to provide for requirements for the issuance of Class C drivers' licenses; to provide for exemptions; to provide for related

matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 336. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Dickey of the 140th, Pirkle of the 155th, Jasperse of the 11th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hemp farming, so as to provide for compliance with federal laws and regulations; to provide for history reports; to provide for disposal of lots of hemp; to provide for sampling and random testing of hemp; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 338. By Representatives DeLoach of the 167th, England of the 116th and Williams of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to veterans' licenses, honorary licenses, and other distinctive drivers' licenses, so as to revise qualifications for issuance of veterans' driver's licenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 370. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Schofield of the 60th, Oliver of the 82nd and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county and municipal hospital authorities, so as to provide for term limits for members of joint hospital authorities; to provide that joint hospital authorities that lease certain hospitals are subject to limitations on utilization of revenues; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 384. By Representatives Dollar of the 45th, Barr of the 103rd, Pirkle of the 155th, Carpenter of the 4th and Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the issuance of a traffic citation to a vehicle owner in lieu of the individual operating the motor vehicle in certain instances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 395. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Corbett of the 174th, Lumsden of the 12th, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists, so as to revise certain licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Professional Counselors Licensure Compact"; to authorize the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists to administer the compact in this state; to authorize the board to conduct national background checks; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 437. By Representatives Howard of the 124th, Beverly of the 143rd, Schofield of the 60th and Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to require attendants at self-service motor fuel establishments to dispense motor fuel to individuals with special disabilities; to provide for related decals on pumps; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 445. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Bazemore of the 63rd, Boddie of the 62nd, Dollar of the 45th, Thomas of the 65th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 449. By Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Parsons of the 44th, Burns of the 159th and Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 458. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Holcomb of the 81st, Gaines of the 117th, Newton of the 123rd and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others, so as to require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members of the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 488. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, Leverett of the 33rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for the calculation of future increases in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for other magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for clerks of magistrate courts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 509. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Cooper of the 43rd, Wiedower of the 119th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 30 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to group or blanket accident and sickness insurance, so as to require certain insurers to make at least one reasonably priced comprehensive major medical health insurance policy available to residents in this state without limitation or exclusion based on preexisting conditions; to condition such requirement on the repeal or judicial invalidation of certain provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 535. By Representative Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to authorize the city to provide extraterritorial utility services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 546. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th and Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Richmond Hill; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 560. By Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, LaHood of the 175th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County, approved December 1, 1898 (Ga. L. 1898, p. 378), as amended, so as to modify the compensation of the commissioners on the Thomas County Board of Commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 595. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Clay County, approved January 15, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 3576), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3554) so as to change the compensation of the members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 600. By Representatives Dreyer of the 59th and Schofield of the 60th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Hapeville, Georgia, approved March 25, 1980 (Ga. L. 1980, p. 3769), as amended, so as to revise provisions related to quorums of the mayor and council; to revise procedures for filling vacancies on the city council; to revise provisions related to the city attorney; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 603. By Representative Meeks of the 178th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the board of commissioners of Brantley County, approved July 21, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 500), as amended, so as to authorize the chairperson of the board of commissioners to make and second motions and vote on all matters that come before the board for a vote; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 610. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Washburn of the 141st, Beverly of the 143rd, Mathis of the 144th and Paris of the 142nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the restructuring of the City of Macon, the City of Payne City, and Bibb County, approved April 20, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5595), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding eligibility for the office of mayor; and for other purposes.

HB 613. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Dickey of the 140th, Clark of the 147th and Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Perry to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 614. By Representatives Mathiak of the 73rd, Knight of the 130th, Singleton of the 71st, Bonner of the 72nd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to revise certain provisions governing the Griffin Judicial Circuit; to revise the method for the assignment of cases; to revise the method for the selection of one or more qualified persons as judge of the juvenile courts of the circuit; to revise the method of selection of the chief judge; to revise the method for filling a vacancy in the office of chief magistrate of Fayette County; to provide for related matters; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolution of the House:

HR 264. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 269. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Halpern of the 39th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to change the manner of selection of the members of the State Election Board; to provide for terms of office; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 270. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Jones II of the 22nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to provide for a pilot program to fund rural birthing centers associated with hospitals with emergency departments; to define a term; to provide for the solicitation of grants of funding; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a report; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SR 166. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Seay of the 34th, Harbison of the 15th, Anderson of the 43rd, Rhett of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION urging members of the United States Congress to enact federal legislation granting statehood to the people of Washington, D.C.; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 167. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Cowsert of the 46th, Tillery of the 19th, Mullis of the 53rd and Payne of the 54th:

A RESOLUTION commending Taiwan for its relations with the United States and the State of Georgia; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 168. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Au of the 48th, Orrock of the 36th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION to ratify an Amendment to the United States Constitution; equal rights not abridged on account of sex; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 169. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Shoreline Protection Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 152. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1A of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions, so as to revise provisions regarding the exemption applicable to certain institutions operating on military installations or bases; to provide for biennial review of institutions rather than programs; to provide for awards of costs and reasonable attorney's fees in favor of the Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission; to provide for alternative review of renewal applications by institutions in good standing with recognized accrediting agencies; to provide for filing a surety bond in the event of a change of ownership of an institution; to provide for the remittal of surety bonds; to provide for assessment of investigation costs incurred by the commission; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

HB 253. By Representative Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Jones County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for a short title; to confer powers upon the authority; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of this Act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 271. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd, Lott of the 122nd and Sharper of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for emergency medical services, so as to authorize the Department of Community Health to assess one or more provider matching payments on ambulance services for the purpose of obtaining federal financial participation for Medicaid; to provide for definitions; to provide for payment into the Indigent Care Trust Fund; to provide for penalties; to provide for the use of funds; to provide for inspection of records; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 275. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Hatchett of the 150th, Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 25 and Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to firefighter standards and training and to emergency medical services personnel, respectively, so as to require random drug tests for certain firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and

cardiac technicians; to provide for licensure and certification of emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and cardiac technicians previously convicted of a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 289. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Corbett of the 174th, Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Barton of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to issuance, expiration, and renewal of drivers' licenses, so as to provide for requirements for the issuance of Class C drivers' licenses; to provide for exemptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 336. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Dickey of the 140th, Pirkle of the 155th, Jasperse of the 11th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hemp farming, so as to provide for compliance with federal laws and regulations; to provide for history reports; to provide for disposal of lots of hemp; to provide for sampling and random testing of hemp; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

HB 338. By Representatives DeLoach of the 167th, England of the 116th and Williams of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to veterans' licenses, honorary licenses, and other distinctive drivers' licenses, so as to revise qualifications for issuance of veterans' driver's licenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security.

HB 370. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Schofield of the 60th, Oliver of the 82nd and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county and municipal hospital authorities, so as to provide for term limits for members of joint hospital authorities; to provide that joint hospital authorities that lease certain hospitals are subject to limitations on utilization of revenues; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 384. By Representatives Dollar of the 45th, Barr of the 103rd, Pirkle of the 155th, Carpenter of the 4th and Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the issuance of a traffic citation to a vehicle owner in lieu of the individual operating the motor vehicle in certain instances; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Special Judiciary.

HB 395. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Corbett of the 174th, Lumsden of the 12th, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists, so as to revise certain licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Professional Counselors Licensure Compact"; to authorize the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists to administer the compact in this state; to authorize the board to conduct national background checks; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their

official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 437. By Representatives Howard of the 124th, Beverly of the 143rd, Schofield of the 60th and Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to require attendants at self-service motor fuel establishments to dispense motor fuel to individuals with special disabilities; to provide for related decals on pumps; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 445. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Bazemore of the 63rd, Boddie of the 62nd, Dollar of the 45th, Thomas of the 65th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 449. By Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Parsons of the 44th, Burns of the 159th and Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 458. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Holcomb of the 81st, Gaines of the 117th, Newton of the 123rd and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others, so as to require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members of the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 488. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, Leverett of the 33rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for the calculation of future increases in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for other magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for clerks of magistrate courts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 509. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Cooper of the 43rd, Wiedower of the 119th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 30 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to group or blanket accident and sickness insurance, so as to require certain insurers to make at least one reasonably priced comprehensive major medical health insurance policy available to residents in this state without limitation or exclusion based on preexisting conditions; to condition such requirement on the repeal or judicial invalidation of certain provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 535. By Representative Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to authorize the city to provide extraterritorial utility services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 546. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th and Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Richmond Hill; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 560. By Representatives Taylor of the 173rd, LaHood of the 175th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County, approved December 1, 1898 (Ga. L. 1898, p. 378), as amended, so as to modify the compensation of the commissioners on the Thomas County Board of Commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 595. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Clay County, approved January 15, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 3576), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3554) so as to change the compensation of the members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 600. By Representatives Dreyer of the 59th and Schofield of the 60th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Hapeville, Georgia, approved March 25, 1980 (Ga. L. 1980, p. 3769), as amended, so as to revise provisions related to quorums of the mayor and council; to revise procedures for filling vacancies on the city council; to revise provisions related to the city attorney; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 603. By Representative Meeks of the 178th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the board of commissioners of Brantley County, approved July 21, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 500), as amended, so as to authorize the chairperson of the board of commissioners to make and second motions and vote on all matters that come before the board for a vote; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 610. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Washburn of the 141st, Beverly of the 143rd, Mathis of the 144th and Paris of the 142nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the restructuring of the City of Macon, the City of Payne City, and Bibb County, approved April 20, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5595), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding eligibility for the office of mayor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 613. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Dickey of the 140th, Clark of the 147th and Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Perry to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 614. By Representatives Mathiak of the 73rd, Knight of the 130th, Singleton of the 71st, Bonner of the 72nd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to revise certain provisions governing the Griffin Judicial Circuit; to revise the method for the assignment of cases; to revise the method for the selection of one or more qualified persons as judge of the juvenile courts of the circuit; to revise the method of selection of the chief judge; to revise the method for filling a vacancy in the office of chief magistrate of Fayette County; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Economic Development and Tourism has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 255 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Thompson of the 14th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 153 Do Pass by substitute
SB 246 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 69 | Do Pass | SB 71 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 72 | Do Pass | SB 74 | Do Pass |
| SB 178 | Do Pass | SB 253 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 219 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 236 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 252 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SR 84 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SR 143 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 376 | Do Pass | HB 456 | Do Pass |
| HB 490 | Do Pass | SB 209 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 90 | HB 111 | HB 134 | SB 92 | SB 95 | SB 117 |
| SB 142 | SB 152 | SB 165 | SB 168 | SB 195 | SB 200 |
| SB 203 | SB 210 | SB 214 | SB 220 | SB 222 | SR 39 |
| SR 102 | SR 135 | | | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tillery of the 19th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tillery was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Brass of the 28th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Brass was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Miller |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Orrock |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Payne |
| Burke | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Seay |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Sims |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Strickland |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Summers |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Thompson |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Gooch | Lucas | Walker |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |
| Halpern | Merritt | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anderson, T. (Excused) | Brass (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Tillery (Excused) | Jackson, L. |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor Joseph Carter of Homerville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Hickman of the 4th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Michelle Zeanah, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 170. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Cowsert of the 46th, Harbison of the 15th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Georgia Supreme Court Chief Justice Harold Melton for his 30 years in state government; and for other purposes.

SR 171. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Patricia and James Gant; and for other purposes.

SR 172. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Merritt of the 9th, Au of the 48th, Parent of the 42nd, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 28, 2021, as Progressive Multiple Sclerosis Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 173. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Tippins of the 37th, Rhett of the 33rd, Jordan of the 6th and Thompson of the 14th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mr. Joseph Gavalis as the Distinguished Older Georgian for 2021; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

## SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday March, 1 2021
Twenty-fifth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 209

Jones of the 10th
Jackson of the 41st
Davenport of the 44th
Harrell of the 40th
Anderson of the 43rd
Parent of the 42nd
Butler of the 55th
**DEKALB COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide that the boundaries of the City of Atlanta independent school systems are not extended by annexation unless expressly approved in a separate local law or intergovernmental agreement; to provide for transfer of students; to provide for ownership of property and buildings; to provide for binding arbitration; to provide for no change in school system boundaries under certain circumstances; to provide for intergovernmental agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 376

Harper of the 7th
**BACON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Education of Bacon County, approved February 20, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 2713), as amended, so as to modify the compensation of the chairperson and members of the Board of Education of Bacon County; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 456

Dugan of the 30th
Brass of the 28th
**CARROLL COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the Carroll County Board of Elections, approved April 29, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 4592), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 17, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 3592), so as to expand the board from three to five members; to provide for appointments to the board; to provide for terms of the additional board members; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 490 Mullis of the 53rd
**CATOOSA COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the office of commissioner of Catoosa County, approved February 12, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 858), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 5538) and an Act approved March 19, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4290) so as to remove certain bidding requirements on certain purchases made by the county; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 49, nays 1.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

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Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on the Local Consent Calendar. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Miller of the 49th

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SB 140 | Flag, Seal, and Other Symbols; placement of a monument in honor of the Honorable Zell Bryan Miller upon the capitol grounds of the state capitol building; provide (SI&P-53rd) |
| SB 80 | "Ensuring Transparency in Prior Authorization Act"; enact (Substitute)(I&L-32nd) |
| SB 82 | Emergency Medical Services; prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; clarify (Substitute)(I&L-48th) |
| SB 169 | Bonds; acceptance of electronic signatures and electronic corporate seals on bonds; provide (I&L-20th) |
| SB 185 | Revenue and Taxation; all questions of law decided by a court; matters from state board of equalization and refunds and appeals be decided without deference; require (JUDY-50th) |
| SB 235 | Offenses Against Public Order; offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; revise (Substitute)(H&HS-1st) |

SB 114 Professions and Businesses; grounds for refusing to grant or revoking a license; revise (JUDY-29th)

SB 112 Life Insurance; annual notification to policy owners and requested beneficiaries of the existence of such policies; require (Substitute)(I&L-16th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 140. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Harbison of the 15th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, so as to provide for placement of a monument in honor of the Honorable Zell Bryan Miller upon the capitol grounds of the state capitol building; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 140, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 80. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Walker III of the 20th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide for standards for utilization review; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 80:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide additional standards for utilization review; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Ensuring Transparency in Prior Authorization Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, is amended by revising Chapter 46, relating to certification of private review agents, as follows:

"ARTICLE 1

33-46-1.

This chapter shall be construed liberally to promote consumer protection.

33-46-2.
This chapter applies to:
(1) Private review agents;
(2) All health insurers and stand-alone dental plans that provide accident and sickness insurance products whether on an individual, group, or blanket basis as provided in this title;
(3) All administrators of such products licensed in accordance with Article 2 of Chapter 23 of this title;
(4) All pharmacy benefits managers;
(5) All contracts entered into or renewed by the Department of Community Health with a contracted entity to provide healthcare coverage or services pursuant to the state health benefit plan;
(6) All contracts entered into or renewed by the Department of Community Health and care management organizations to provide or arrange for healthcare coverage or services on a prepaid, capitated basis to members; and
(7) All other entities and contracts as described and applicable herein.

~~33-46-1.~~ 33-46-3.
(a) The purpose of this chapter is to promote the delivery of quality ~~health care~~ healthcare in Georgia. Furthermore, it is to foster the delivery of such care in a cost-effective manner through greater coordination between ~~health care~~ healthcare providers, claims administrators, ~~payors,~~ insurers, employers, patients, and private review agents; to improve communication and knowledge of ~~health care~~ healthcare benefits among all parties; to protect patients, claims administrators, ~~payors,~~ insurers, private review agents, employers, and ~~health care~~ healthcare providers by ensuring that utilization review activities are based upon accepted standards of treatment and patient care; to ensure that such treatment is accessible and done in a timely and effective manner; and to ensure that private review agents maintain confidentiality of information obtained in the course of utilization review.
(b) In order to carry out the intent and purposes of this chapter, it is declared to be the policy of this chapter to protect Georgia residents by imposing minimum standards on private review agents who engage in utilization review with respect to ~~health care~~ healthcare services provided in Georgia, such standards to include regulations concerning certification of private review agents, disclosure of utilization review standards and appeal procedures, minimum qualifications for utilization review personnel, minimum standards governing accessibility of utilization review, and such other standards, requirements, and rules or regulations promulgated by the Commissioner which are not inconsistent with the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is neither the policy nor the intent of the General Assembly to regulate the terms of self-insured employee welfare benefit plans as defined in Section 31(I) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and therefore any regulations promulgated pursuant

to this chapter shall relate only to persons subject to this chapter.

~~33-46-2.~~ 33-46-4.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Adverse determination' means a decision by a utilization review entity that the healthcare services furnished or proposed to be furnished to a covered person are not medically necessary or are experimental or investigational; and benefit coverage is therefore denied, reduced, or terminated. Such term shall not mean a decision to deny, reduce, or terminate services that are not covered for reasons other than their medical necessity or experimental or investigational nature.

(2) 'Authorization' means a determination by a utilization review entity that a healthcare service has been reviewed and, based on the information provided, satisfies the utilization review entity's requirements for medical necessity and appropriateness.

(3) 'Care management organization' means an entity that is organized for the purpose of providing or arranging healthcare, which has been granted a certificate of authority by the Commissioner of Insurance as a health maintenance organization pursuant to Chapter 21 of this title and which has entered into a contract with the Department of Community Health to provide or arrange for healthcare services on a prepaid, capitated basis to members.

~~(1)~~(4) 'Certificate' means a certificate of registration granted by the Commissioner to a private review agent.

~~(2)~~(5) 'Claim administrator' means any entity that reviews and determines whether to pay claims to enrollees of ~~health care~~ healthcare providers on behalf of the ~~health benefit~~ healthcare plan. Such payment determinations are made on the basis of contract provisions including medical necessity and other factors. Claim administrators may be ~~payors~~ insurers or their designated review organization, self-insured employers, management firms, third-party administrators, or other private contractors.

(6) 'Clinical criteria' means the written policies, written screening procedures, drug formularies or lists of covered drugs, determination rules, determination abstracts, clinical protocols, practice guidelines, medical protocols, and any other criteria or rationale used by the utilization review entity to determine the necessity and appropriateness of healthcare services.

~~(3) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Insurance.~~

(7) 'Covered person' means an individual, including, but not limited to, any subscriber, enrollee, member, beneficiary, participant, or his or her dependent, eligible to receive healthcare benefits by a health insurer pursuant to a healthcare plan or other health insurance coverage.

(8) 'Emergency healthcare services' means healthcare services rendered after the recent onset of a medical or traumatic condition, sickness, or injury exhibiting acute symptoms of sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, that would lead a prudent layperson possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;
(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or
(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

~~(4) 'Enrollee' means the individual who has elected to contract for or participate in a health benefit plan for himself or himself and his eligible dependents.~~

(9) 'Facility' means a hospital, ambulatory surgical center, birthing center, diagnostic and treatment center, hospice, or similar institution. Such term shall not mean a healthcare provider's office.

~~(5) 'Health benefit plan' means a plan of benefits that defines the coverage provisions for health care for enrollees offered or provided by any organization, public or private.~~

~~(6)~~(10) '~~Health care~~ Healthcare advisor' means a ~~health care~~ healthcare provider licensed in a state representing the claim administrator or private review agent who provides advice on issues of medical necessity or other patient care issues.

(11) 'Health insurer' or 'insurer' means an accident and sickness insurer, care management organization, healthcare corporation, health maintenance organization, provider sponsored healthcare corporation, or any similar entity regulated by the Commissioner.

(12) 'Healthcare plan' means any hospital or medical insurance policy or certificate, healthcare plan contract or certificate, qualified higher deductible health plan, stand-alone dental plan, health maintenance organization or other managed care subscriber contract, the state health benefit plan, or any plan entered into by a care management organization as permitted by the Department of Community Health for the delivery of healthcare services.

~~(7)~~(13) '~~Health care~~ Healthcare provider' means any person, corporation, facility, or institution licensed by this state or any other state to provide or otherwise lawfully providing ~~health care~~ healthcare services, including but not limited to a doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, hospital or other ~~health care~~ healthcare facility, dentist, nurse, optometrist, podiatrist, physical therapist, psychologist, occupational therapist, professional counselor, pharmacist, chiropractor, marriage and family therapist, or social worker.

(14) 'Healthcare service' means healthcare procedures, treatments, or services provided by a facility licensed in this state or provided within the scope of practice of a doctor of medicine, a doctor of osteopathy, or another healthcare provider licensed in this state. Such term includes but is not limited to the provision of pharmaceutical products or services or durable medical equipment.

(15) 'Indication' means the basis for initiating treatment for a disease or a diagnostic test.

(16) 'Medical necessity' or 'medically necessary' means healthcare services that a prudent physician or other healthcare provider would provide to a patient for the purpose of preventing, diagnosing, or treating an illness, injury, or disease or its symptoms in a manner that is:

(A) In accordance with generally accepted standards of medical or other healthcare practice;

(B) Clinically appropriate in terms of type, frequency, extent, site, and duration;

(C) Not primarily for the economic benefit of the health insurer or for the convenience of the patient, treating physician, or other healthcare provider; and

(D) Not primarily custodial care, unless custodial care is a covered service or benefit under the covered person's healthcare plan.

(17) 'Member' means a Medicaid or Peachcare for Kids recipient who is currently enrolled in a care management organization plan.

~~(8) 'Payor' means any insurer, as defined in this title, or any preferred provider organization, health maintenance organization, self-insurance plan, or other person or entity which provides, offers to provide, or administers hospital, outpatient, medical, or other health care benefits to persons treated by a health care provider in this state pursuant to any policy, plan, or contract of accident and sickness insurance as defined in Code Section 33-7-2.~~

(18) 'Pharmacy benefits manager' means a person, business entity, or other entity that performs pharmacy benefits management. Such term includes a person or entity acting for a pharmacy benefits manager in a contractual or employment relationship in the performance of pharmacy benefits management for a healthcare plan. Such term shall not include services provided by pharmacies operating under a hospital pharmacy license. Such term shall not include health systems while providing pharmacy services for their patients, employees, or beneficiaries, for indigent care, or for the provision of drugs for outpatient procedures. Such term shall not include services provided by pharmacies affiliated with a facility licensed under Code Section 31-44-4 or a licensed group model health maintenance organization with an exclusive medical group contract and which operates its own pharmacies which are licensed under Code Section 26-4-110.

(19) 'Prior authorization' means the process by which a utilization review entity determines the medical necessity or medical appropriateness of otherwise covered healthcare services prior to or concurrent with the rendering of such services. Such term shall include any health insurer's or utilization review entity's requirement that a covered person or healthcare provider notify the health insurer or utilization review entity prior to providing a healthcare service.

~~(9)~~(20) 'Private review agent' means any person or entity which performs utilization review for:

(A) An employer with employees who are treated by a ~~health care~~ healthcare provider in this state;

(B) ~~A payor~~ An insurer; or

(C) A claim administrator.

~~(10) 'Reasonable target review period' means the assignment of a proposed number of days for review for the proposed health care services based upon reasonable length of stay standards such as the Professional Activities Study of the Commission on the Professional and Hospital Activities or other Georgia state-specific length of stay data.~~

(21) 'State health benefit plan' means the health insurance plan or plans established pursuant to Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 and Article 1 of Chapter 18 of

Title 45 for state and public employees, dependents, and retirees.

(22) 'Urgent healthcare service' means a healthcare service with respect to which the application of the time periods for making a nonexpedited prior authorization, which, in the opinion of a physician or other healthcare provider with knowledge of the covered person's medical condition:

(A) Could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the covered person or the ability of such person to regain maximum function; or

(B) Could subject the covered person to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of the utilization review.

Such term shall include services provided for the treatment of substance use disorders which otherwise qualify as an urgent healthcare service.

~~(11)~~(23) 'Utilization review' means a system for reviewing the appropriate and efficient allocation or charges of hospital, outpatient, medical, or other ~~health care~~ healthcare services given or proposed to be given to a patient or group of patients for the purpose of advising the claim administrator who determines whether such services or the charges therefor should be covered, provided, or reimbursed by ~~a payor~~ an insurer according to the benefits plan. Utilization review shall not include the review or adjustment of claims or the payment of benefits arising under liability, workers' compensation, or malpractice insurance policies as defined in Code Section 33-7-3.

(24) 'Utilization review entity' means an individual, insurer, or other entity that performs prior authorization for one or more of the following entities:

(A) An insurer that writes health insurance policies;

(B) A preferred provider organization or health maintenance organization; or

(C) Any other individual or entity that provides, offers to provide, or administers hospital, outpatient, medical, behavioral health, prescription drug, or other health benefits to a person treated by a healthcare provider in this state under a health insurance policy, plan, or contract.

~~(12)~~(25) 'Utilization review plan' means a reasonable description of the standards, criteria, policies, procedures, reasonable target review periods, and reconsideration and appeal mechanisms governing utilization review activities performed by a private review agent.

~~33-46-3.~~ 33-46-5.

(a) A private review agent may not conduct utilization review of ~~health care~~ healthcare provided in this state unless the Commissioner has granted the private review agent a certificate pursuant to this chapter. No individual conducting utilization review shall require certification if such utilization review is performed within the scope of such person's employment with an entity already certified pursuant to this Code section.

(b) The Commissioner shall issue a certificate to an applicant that has met all the requirements of this chapter and all applicable regulations of the Commissioner.

(c) A certificate issued under this chapter is not transferable without the prior approval of the Commissioner.

~~33-46-4.~~ 33-46-6.

As a condition of certification or renewal thereof, a private review agent shall be required to maintain compliance with the following:

(1) Where not otherwise addressed in this chapter or department regulations, ~~The~~ the medical protocols including reconsideration and appeal processes as well as other relevant medical issues used in the private review program shall be established with input from ~~health care~~ healthcare providers who are from a major area of specialty and certified by the boards of the American medical specialties selected by a private review agency and documentation of such protocols shall be made available upon request of ~~health care~~ healthcare providers; or, where not so addressed, protocols, including reconsideration and appeal processes as well as other relevant ~~health care~~ healthcare issues used in the private review program, shall be established based on input from persons who are licensed in the appropriate ~~health care~~ healthcare provider's specialty recognized by a licensure agency of such a ~~health care~~ healthcare provider;

(2) All preadmission review programs shall provide for immediate hospitalization of any patient for whom the treating ~~health care~~ healthcare provider determines the admission to be of an emergency nature, so long as medical necessity is subsequently documented;

~~(3) In the absence of any contractual agreement between the health care provider and the payor, the responsibility for obtaining precertification as well as concurrent review required by the payor shall be the responsibility of the enrollee;~~

~~(4)~~(3) In cases where a private review agent is responsible for utilization review for ~~a payor~~ an insurer or claim administrator, the utilization review agent should respond promptly and efficiently in accordance with this chapter to all requests including concurrent review in a timely method, and a method for an expedited authorization process shall be available in the interest of efficient patient care;

~~(5) In any instances where the utilization review agent is questioning the medical necessity or appropriateness of care, the attending health care provider shall be able to discuss the plan of treatment with an identified health care provider trained in a related specialty and no adverse determination shall be made by the utilization review agent until an effort has been made to discuss the patient's care with the patient's attending provider during normal working hours. In the event of an adverse determination, notice to the provider and patient will specify the reasons for the review determination;~~

~~(6) To the extent that utilization review programs are administered according to recognized standards and procedures, efficiently with minimal disruption to the provision of medical care, additional payment to providers should not be necessary;~~

~~(7)~~(4) A private review agent shall assign a reasonable target review period in accordance with this chapter for each admission promptly upon notification by the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider. Once a target length of stay has been agreed upon with the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider, the utilization review agent will not attempt to contact the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider or patient for further information until the end of that target review period except for discharge planning purposes or in response to a contact by a patient or ~~health care~~ healthcare provider. The provider or the ~~health care~~ healthcare facility will be responsible for alerting the utilization review agent in

the event of a change in proposed treatment. At the end of the target period, the private review agent will review the care for a continued stay;

~~(8)~~(5) A private review agent shall not enter into any incentive payment provision contained in a contract or agreement with ~~a payor~~ an insurer which is based on reduction of services or the charges thereof, reduction of length of stay, or utilization of alternative treatment settings; and

~~(9)~~(6) Any ~~health care~~ healthcare provider may designate one or more individuals to be contacted by the private review agent for information or data. In the event of any such designation, the private review agent shall not contact other employees or personnel of the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider except with prior consent to the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider. An alternate will be available during normal business hours if the designated individual is absent or unavailable.

~~33-46-5.~~ 33-46-7.

(a) An applicant for a certificate shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the Commissioner and pay an application fee and a certificate fee as provided in Code Section 33-8-1. The application shall be signed and verified by the applicant.

(b) In conjunction with the application, the private review agent shall submit such information that the Commissioner requires, including but not limited to:

(1) A utilization review plan;

(2) The type and qualifications of the personnel either employed or under contract to perform the utilization review; and

(3) A copy of the materials designed to inform applicable patients and ~~health care~~ healthcare providers of the requirements of the utilization review plan.

The information provided must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the private review agent will comply with the requirements of this chapter.

~~33-46-6.~~ 33-46-8.

(a) A certificate shall expire on the second anniversary of its effective date unless the certificate is renewed for a two-year term as provided in this Code section.

(b) Before the certificate expires but no sooner than 90 days prior to such expiration, a certificate may be renewed for an additional two-year term if the applicant:

(1) Otherwise is entitled to the certificate;

(2) Pays to the Commissioner the renewal fee as provided in Code Section 33-8-1;

(3) Submits to the Commissioner:

(A) A renewal application on the form that the Commissioner requires; and

(B) Satisfactory evidence of compliance with any requirements established by the Commissioner for certificate renewal; and

(4)(A) Establishes and maintains a complaint system which has been approved by the Commissioner and which provides reasonable procedures for the resolution of written complaints initiated by ~~enrollees~~ covered persons or ~~health care~~ healthcare providers concerning utilization review;

(B) Maintains records of such written complaints for five years from the time the

complaints are filed and submits to the Commissioner a summary report at such times and in such format as the Commissioner may require; and

(C) Permits the Commissioner to examine the complaints at any time.

~~33-46-7.~~ 33-46-9.

Private review agents shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner in all matters regulated by this chapter and the Commissioner shall have such powers and authority with regard to private review agents as provided in Code Sections 33-2-9 through 33-2-28 with regard to insurers.

~~33-46-8.~~ 33-46-10.

Private review agents shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 39 of this title.

~~33-46-9~~. 33-46-11.

The Commissioner shall periodically, not less than once a year, provide a list of private review agents issued certificates and the renewal date for those certificates to all hospitals and to any other individual or organization requesting such list.

~~33-46-10.~~ 33-46-12.

The Commissioner shall establish such reporting requirements upon private review agents as are necessary to determine if the utilization review programs are in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and applicable rules and regulations.

~~33-46-11.~~ 33-46-13.

The Commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this chapter.

~~33-46-12.~~ 33-46-14.

No certificate is required for utilization review by any Georgia licensed pharmacist or pharmacy while engaged in the practice of pharmacy, including but not limited to review of the dispensing of drugs, participation in drug utilization review, and monitoring patient drug therapy.

~~33-46-13.~~ 33-46-15.

(a) This chapter shall not apply to any contract with the federal government for utilization and review of patients eligible for hospital services under Title XVIII or XIX of the Social Security Act.

(b) This chapter shall not apply to any private review agent when such private review agent is working under contract, or an extension or renewal thereof, with a licensed insurer operating under an agreement, providing administrative services pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b) of Code Section 33-20-17 to a ~~health care~~ healthcare benefit plan negotiated through collective bargaining as that term is defined in the federal National Labor Relations Act, as amended, if the original agreement was executed and in effect prior to January 1, 1990.

(c) This chapter shall not apply to audits of the medical record for the purposes of verifying that ~~health care~~ healthcare services were ordered and delivered.

~~33-46-14.~~ 33-46-16.
The Commissioner shall issue an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly concerning the conduct of utilization review in this state. Such report shall include a description of utilization review programs and the services they provide, an analysis of complaints filed against private review agents by patients or providers, and an evaluation of the impact of utilization review programs on patient access to care. The Commissioner shall not be required to distribute copies of the annual report to ~~the members~~ legislators ~~of~~ in the General Assembly but shall notify ~~the members~~ such legislators of the availability of the report in the manner which he or she deems to be most effective and efficient.

ARTICLE 2

33-46-20.
(a) An insurer shall make any current prior authorization requirements and restrictions readily accessible on its website to healthcare providers. Clinical criteria on which an adverse determination is based shall be provided to the healthcare provider at the time of the notification.
(b) If an insurer intends either to implement a new prior authorization requirement or restriction or amend an existing requirement or restriction, such insurer shall ensure that the new or amended requirement or restriction is not implemented unless such insurer's website has been updated to reflect such addition or change.
(c) An insurer using prior authorization shall make statistics available regarding prior authorization approvals and denials on its website in a readily accessible format. Such statistics shall include categories for:
(1) Physician or other provider speciality;
(2) Medication or diagnostic tests and procedures;
(3) Indication offered;
(4) Approved or denied on initial request;
(5) Reason for denial;
(6) Whether appealed;
(7) Whether approved or denied on appeal; and
(8) Time between submission and response.

33-46-21.
An insurer shall ensure that all adverse determinations are made by a physician, dentist, pharmacist, or other appropriately credentialed healthcare provider who shall possess a current and valid nonrestricted license or maintain other appropriate legal authorization to provide the healthcare services reviewed and who shall:
(1) Practice in the same specialty as the physician or other healthcare provider who

typically manages the condition or disease or regularly provides the healthcare service involved in the request; or

(2) Have practical experience treating patients with the condition or disease for which the healthcare service is being requested.

33-46-22.

If a utilization review entity questions the medical necessity of a healthcare service, such entity shall notify the covered person's physician or other healthcare provider familiar with the case that medical necessity is being questioned. At least 72 hours before the final decision is made with regard to the medical necessity of such healthcare service, the covered person's physician or other healthcare provider shall have the opportunity to discuss such necessity on the telephone or through synchronous digital text or voice messaging or similar technology with the physician or other healthcare provider who will be responsible for making the final decision with regard to the medical necessity of the healthcare service in question.

33-46-23.

A utilization review entity shall ensure that all appeals are reviewed by a physician, dentist, pharmacist, or other appropriately credentialed healthcare provider who shall possess a current and valid nonrestricted license or maintain other appropriate legal authorization to provide the healthcare services reviewed and who shall:

(1) Practice in the same specialty as the physician or other healthcare provider who typically manages the condition or disease or regularly provides the healthcare service involved in the request;

(2) Have practical experience treating patients with the condition or disease for which the healthcare service is being requested;

(3) Not be employed by a utilization review entity or be under contract with a utilization review entity other than to participate in one or more of the utilization review entity's healthcare provider networks or to perform reviews of appeals, or otherwise have any financial interest in the outcome of the appeal;

(4) Not have been directly involved in making the adverse determination; and

(5) Consider all known clinical aspects of the healthcare service under review, including, but not limited to, a review of all pertinent medical or other records provided to the utilization review entity by the covered person's healthcare provider, any relevant records provided to the utilization review entity by a facility, and any medical or other literature provided to the utilization review entity by the healthcare provider.

33-46-24.

If a utilization review entity requires prior authorization of a healthcare service, the utilization review entity shall notify the covered person and such person's healthcare provider of its prior authorization or adverse determination within seven calendar days of obtaining all necessary information to make such authorization or adverse determination. For purposes of this Code section, 'necessary information' includes the

results of any face-to-face clinical evaluation or second opinion that may be required.

33-46-25.
A utilization review entity shall render a prior authorization or adverse determination concerning urgent healthcare services and notify the covered person and such person's healthcare provider of that prior authorization or adverse determination no later than 72 hours after receiving all information needed to complete the review of the requested healthcare services.

33-46-26.
An insurer cannot require prior authorization for emergency prehospital ambulance transportation or for the provision of emergency healthcare services.

33-46-27.
If initial healthcare services are performed within 45 business days of approval of prior authorization, the insurer shall not revoke, limit, condition, or restrict such authorization, unless such authorization is for a Schedule II controlled substance.

33-46-28.
A covered person's physician or dentist may change the dosage of a prescription drug for such covered person and such change shall not affect a utilization review entity's decision.

33-46-29.
Prior authorization shall not be required for unanticipated covered healthcare services which are incidental to the primary covered healthcare services and determined by the covered person's physician or dentist to be medically necessary.

33-46-30.
If an insurer requires a prior authorization for a healthcare service for the treatment of a chronic or long-term care condition, the prior authorization shall remain valid for six months during which time the insurer shall not require the covered person to obtain a prior authorization again for such healthcare service.

33-46-31.
Prior authorization of a covered healthcare service shall be a guarantee of payment to the provider if such services are performed unless there is a billing error, fraud, material misrepresentation, or loss of coverage.

33-46-32.
(a) Upon receipt of information documenting a prior authorization from the covered person or from such person's healthcare provider, a utilization review entity for at least the initial 30 days of such person's new coverage shall honor a prior authorization for a

covered healthcare service granted to him or her from a previous utilization review entity even if approval criteria or products of a healthcare plan have changed or such person is covered under a new healthcare plan, so long as the former criteria, products, or plans are not binding upon a new insurer.

(b) During the time period described in subsection (a) of this Code section, a utilization review entity may perform its own review to grant a prior authorization.

(c) If there is a change in coverage of, or approval criteria for, a previously authorized healthcare service, the change in coverage or approval criteria shall not affect a covered person who received prior authorization before the effective date of such change for the remainder of the covered person's plan year so long as such covered person remains covered by the same insurer.

(d) A utilization review entity shall continue to honor a prior authorization it has granted to a covered person in accordance with this Code section.

33-46-33.

Each failure by a utilization review entity to comply with the deadlines or other requirements specified in this chapter shall result in the automatic authorization of healthcare services under review by such utilization review entity if such noncompliance is related to such services.

33-46-34.

With regard to the provision of healthcare services, each contract entered into or renewed by a managed care organization, each contract entered into or renewed by the Department of Community Health with a care management organization, and each contract entered into by such board with a contracted entity pursuant to the state health benefit plan shall comply with this chapter.

33-46-35.

The Commissioner shall not have the authority to approve, disapprove, or modify any plan offered by a care management organization or any contract between a care management organization and the Department of Community Health. Compliance with this chapter by care management organizations shall be enforced by the Department of Community Health.

33-46-36.

The Commissioner shall not have the authority to approve, disapprove, or modify the state health benefit plan or the contracts entered into by the Department of Community Health with a contracted entity to provide healthcare coverage or services pursuant to the state health benefit plan. Compliance with this chapter regarding the state health benefit plan shall be enforced by the Department of Community Health.

33-46-37.

Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as reducing the authority of the commissioner

of community health."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022, and shall apply to all policies or contracts issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after such date.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 80, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 82. By Senators Au of the 48th, Watson of the 1st, Burke of the 11th, Kirkpatrick of

the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services, so as to clarify that the prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to also clarify that the prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 82:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services, so as to clarify that the prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to also clarify that the prudent layperson standard is not affected by the final diagnosis given; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

The General Assembly finds:

(1) This state recognizes a "prudent layperson" standard with regard to the need for emergency care;

(2) Insurance companies operating in this state are required to adhere to that standard;

(3) Patients in this state have had emergency medical claims denied due to insurer failure to adhere to the prudent layperson standard as intended;

(4) The federal court system has recognized that this standard is not intended to look to the ultimate diagnosis that a patient receives. Rather, the only relevant considerations are the patient's symptoms and whether a prudent layperson would think that emergency medical attention is necessary based on those symptoms;

(5) This legislative body has intended and continues to intend that the prudent layperson standard be applied in the same manner; and

(6) In order to better protect Georgians seeking emergency care, legislation is needed not to change the meaning but to clarify the intended application of the prudent layperson standard in this state.

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency

medical services, is amended by revising Code Section 31-11-81, relating to definitions regarding emergency services, as follows:

"31-11-81.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Emergency condition' means any medical condition of a recent onset and severity, including but not limited to severe pain, regardless of the final diagnosis that is given, that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(2) 'Emergency medical provider' means any provider of emergency medical transportation licensed or permitted by the Department of Public Health, any hospital licensed or permitted by the Department of Community Health, any hospital based service, or any physician licensed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board who provides emergency services.

(3) 'Emergency services' means emergency medical transportation or health care services provided in a hospital emergency facility to evaluate and treat any emergency condition.

(4) 'Prospective authorization' means contacting for approval or authorization to evaluate and treat a patient any insurer, health maintenance organization, hospital medical service corporation, or health benefit plan, a representative of which is not physically present in the hospital's emergency department at the time such patient presents for emergency services."

**SECTION 3.**

Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, is amended by revising Code Section 33-20A-3, relating to definitions regarding managed health care plans, as follows:

"33-20A-3.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Emergency services' or 'emergency care' means those health care services that are provided for a condition of recent onset and sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, regardless of the final diagnosis that is given, that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(2) 'Enrollee' means an individual who has elected to contract for or participate in a managed care plan for that individual or for that individual and that individual's eligible

dependents.

(3) 'Facility' means a hospital, ambulatory surgical treatment center, birthing center, diagnostic and treatment center, hospice, or similar institution for examination, diagnosis, treatment, surgery, or maternity care but does not include physicians' or dentists' private offices and treatment rooms in which such physicians or dentists primarily see, consult with, and treat patients.

(4) 'Health benefit plan' has the same meaning as provided in Code Section 33-24-59.5.

(5) 'Health care provider' or 'provider' means any physician, dentist, podiatrist, pharmacist, optometrist, psychologist, clinical social worker, advanced practice nurse, registered optician, licensed professional counselor, physical therapist, marriage and family therapist, chiropractor, athletic trainer qualified pursuant to Code Section 43-5-8, occupational therapist, speech language pathologist, audiologist, dietitian, or physician assistant.

(6) 'Home health care provider' means any provider or agency that provides health care services in a patient's home including the supply of durable medical equipment for use in a patient's home.

(7) 'Limited utilization incentive plan' means any compensation arrangement between the plan and a health care provider or provider group that has the effect of reducing or limiting services to patients.

(8) 'Managed care contractor' means a person who:

(A) Establishes, operates, or maintains a network of participating providers;

(B) Conducts or arranges for utilization review activities; and

(C) Contracts with an insurance company, a hospital or medical service plan, an employer, an employee organization, or any other entity providing coverage for health care services to operate a managed care plan.

(9) 'Managed care entity' includes an insurance company, hospital or medical service plan, hospital, health care provider network, physician hospital organization, health care provider, health maintenance organization, health care corporation, employer or employee organization, or managed care contractor that offers a managed care plan.

(10) 'Managed care plan' means a major medical, hospitalization, or dental plan that provides for the financing and delivery of health care services to persons enrolled in such plan through:

(A) Arrangements with selected providers to furnish health care services;

(B) Explicit standards for the selection of participating providers; and

(C) Cost savings for persons enrolled in the plan to use the participating providers and procedures provided for by the plan; provided, however, that the term 'managed care plan' does not apply to Chapter 9 of Title 34, relating to workers' compensation.

(11) 'Nonurgent procedure' means any nonemergency or elective care that can be scheduled at least 24 hours prior to the service without posing a significant threat to the patient's health or well-being.

(12) 'Out of network' or 'point of service' refers to health care items or services provided to an enrollee by providers who do not belong to the provider network in the managed care plan.

(13) 'Patient' means a person who seeks or receives health care services under a managed care plan.

(14) 'Precertification' or 'preauthorization' means any written or oral determination made at any time by an insurer or any agent thereof that an enrollee's receipt of health care services is a covered benefit under the applicable plan and that any requirement of medical necessity or other requirements imposed by such plan as prerequisites for payment for such services have been satisfied. 'Agent' as used in this paragraph shall not include an agent or agency as defined in Code Section 33-23-1.

(15) 'Qualified managed care plan' means a managed care plan that the Commissioner certifies as meeting the requirements of this article.

(16) 'Verification of benefits' means any written or oral determination by an insurer or agent thereof of whether given health care services are a covered benefit under the enrollee's health benefit plan without a determination of precertification or preauthorization as to such services. 'Agent' as used in this paragraph shall not include an agent or agency as defined in Code Section 33-23-1."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 33-20E-2, relating to application to insurers and definitions regarding surprise billing, as follows:

"33-20E-2.

(a) This chapter shall apply to all insurers providing a healthcare plan that pays for the provision of healthcare services to covered persons.

(b) As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Balance bill' means the amount that a nonparticipating provider charges for services provided to a covered person. Such amount equals the difference between the amount paid or offered by the insurer and the amount of the nonparticipating provider's bill charge, but shall not include any amount for coinsurance, copayments, or deductibles due by the covered person.

(2) 'Contracted amount' means the median in-network amount paid during the 2017 calendar year by an insurer for the emergency or nonemergency services provided by in-network providers engaged in the same or similar specialties and provided in the same or nearest geographical area. Such amount shall be annually adjusted by the department for inflation which may be based on the Consumer Price Index, and shall not include Medicare or Medicaid rates.

(3) 'Covered person' means an individual who is insured under a healthcare plan.

(4) 'Emergency medical provider' means any physician licensed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board who provides emergency medical services and any other healthcare provider licensed or otherwise authorized in this state to render emergency medical services.

(5) 'Emergency medical services' means medical services rendered after the recent onset of a medical or traumatic condition, sickness, or injury exhibiting acute symptoms of sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, <u>regardless of the final diagnosis that is given,</u> that would lead a prudent layperson possessing an average

knowledge of medicine and health to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(6) 'Facility' means a hospital, an ambulatory surgical treatment center, birthing center, diagnostic and treatment center, hospice, or similar institution.

(7) 'Geographic area' means a specific portion of this state which shall consist of one or more ~~zip~~ ZIP codes as defined by the Commissioner pursuant to department rule and regulation.

(8) 'Healthcare plan' means any hospital or medical insurance policy or certificate, healthcare plan contract or certificate, qualified higher deductible health plan, health maintenance organization or other managed care subscriber contract, or state healthcare plan. This term shall not include limited benefit insurance policies or plans listed under paragraph (3) of Code Section 33-1-2, air ambulance insurance, or policies issued in accordance with Chapter 21A or 31 of this title or Chapter 9 of Title 34, relating to workers' compensation, Part A, B, C, or D of Title XVIII of the Social Security Act (Medicare), or any plan or program not described in this paragraph over which the Commissioner does not have regulatory authority. Notwithstanding paragraph (3) of Code Section 33-1-2 and any other provision of this title, for purposes of this chapter this term shall include stand-alone dental insurance and stand-alone vision insurance.

(9) 'Healthcare provider' or 'provider' means any physician, other individual, or facility other than a hospital licensed or otherwise authorized in this state to furnish healthcare services, including, but not limited to, any dentist, podiatrist, optometrist, psychologist, clinical social worker, advanced practice registered nurse, registered optician, licensed professional counselor, physical therapist, marriage and family therapist, chiropractor, athletic trainer qualified pursuant to Code Section 43-5-8, occupational therapist, speech-language pathologist, audiologist, dietitian, or physician assistant.

(10) 'Healthcare services' means emergency or nonemergency medical services.

(11) 'Insurer' means an entity subject to the insurance laws and regulations of this state, or subject to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner, that contracts, offers to contract, or enters into an agreement to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of healthcare services, including those of an accident and sickness insurance company, a health maintenance organization, a healthcare plan, a managed care plan, or any other entity providing a health insurance plan, a health benefit plan, or healthcare services.

(12) 'Nonemergency medical services' means the examination or treatment of persons for the prevention of illness or the correction or treatment of any physical or mental condition resulting from an illness, injury, or other human physical problem which does not qualify as an emergency medical service and includes, but is not limited to:

(A) Hospital services which include the general and usual care, services, supplies, and equipment furnished by hospitals;

(B) Medical services which include the general and usual care and services rendered

and administered by doctors of medicine, dentistry, optometry, and other providers; and

(C) Other medical services which, by way of illustration only and without limiting the scope of this chapter, include the provision of appliances and supplies; nursing care by a registered nurse; institutional services, including the general and usual care, services, supplies, and equipment furnished by healthcare institutions and agencies or entities other than hospitals; physiotherapy; drugs and medications; therapeutic services and equipment, including oxygen and the rental of oxygen equipment; hospital beds; iron lungs; orthopedic services and appliances, including wheelchairs, trusses, braces, crutches, and prosthetic devices, including artificial limbs and eyes; and any other appliance, supply, or service related to healthcare which does not qualify as an emergency medical service.

(13) 'Out-of-network' refers to healthcare services provided to a covered person by providers or facilities who do not belong to the provider network in the healthcare plan.

(14) 'Nonparticipating provider' means a healthcare provider who has not entered into a contract with a healthcare plan for the delivery of medical services.

(15) 'Participating provider' means a healthcare provider that has entered into a contract with an insurer for the delivery of healthcare services to covered persons under a healthcare plan.

(16) 'Resolution organization' means a qualified, independent, third-party claim dispute resolution entity selected by and contracted with the department.

(17) 'State healthcare plan' means:

(A) The state employees' health insurance plan established pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45;

(B) The health insurance plan for public school teachers established pursuant to Subpart 2 of Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20;

(C) The health insurance plan for public school employees established pursuant to Subpart 3 of Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20; and

(D) The Regents Health Plan established pursuant to authority granted to the board pursuant to Code Sections 20-3-31, 20-3-51, and 31-2-4.

(18) 'Surprise bill' means a bill resulting from an occurrence in which charges arise from a covered person receiving healthcare services from an out-of-network provider at an in-network facility."

**SECTION 5**.

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 33-21A-2, relating to definitions regarding Medicaid care management organizations, as follows:

"33-21A-2.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Care management organization' means an entity that is organized for the purpose of providing or arranging health care, which has been granted a certificate of authority by the Commissioner of Insurance as a health maintenance organization pursuant to Chapter 21 of this title, and which has entered into a contract with the Department of

Community Health to provide or arrange health care services on a prepaid, capitated basis to members.

(2) 'Coordination of care' means early identification of members who have or may have special needs; assessment of a member's risk factors; development of a plan of care; referrals and assistance to ensure timely access to providers; actively linking the member to providers, medical services, and residential, social, and other support services where needed; monitoring; continuity of care; and follow-up and documentation, all as further described pursuant to the terms of the contracts between the Department of Community Health and the care management organizations.

(3) 'Critical access hospital' means a hospital that meets the requirements of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to be designated as a critical access hospital and that is recognized by the Department of Community Health as a critical access hospital for purposes of Medicaid.

(4) 'Emergency health care services' means health care services that are provided for a condition of recent onset and sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, regardless of the final diagnosis that is given, that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(5) 'Health care provider' or 'provider' means any person, partnership, professional association, corporation, facility, or institution certified, licensed, or registered by the State of Georgia that has contracted with a care management organization to provide health care services to members.

(6) 'Health care services' has the same meaning as in paragraph (5) of Code Section 33-21-1.

(7) 'Health maintenance organization' means an entity which has been issued a certificate of authority by the Commissioner of Insurance pursuant to Chapter 21 of this title to establish and operate a health maintenance organization.

(8) 'Hospital Statistical and Reimbursement Report' or 'HS&R report' means a report created by a care management organization, using the same format that is used by the Department of Community Health in completing HS&R reports, that includes data related to an individual hospital, including aggregate statistics and reimbursement data for all Medicaid recipients who are covered by the care management organization and who received health care services at such hospital during a specific fiscal year, including data regarding services that were provided out of network. HS&R reports are utilized by the Department of Community Health for purposes of the Indigent Care Trust Fund's disproportionate share hospital survey and are also utilized by hospitals to claim payments under medicare's disproportionate share hospital program.

(9) 'Medicaid' means the joint federal and state program of medical assistance established by Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, which is administered in

this state by the Department of Community Health pursuant to Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49.

(10) 'Member' means a Medicaid or PeachCare for Kids recipient who is currently enrolled in a care management organization plan.

(11) 'PeachCare for Kids' means the State of Georgia's State Children's Health Insurance Program established pursuant to Title XXI of the federal Social Security Act, which is administered in this state by the Department of Community Health pursuant to Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 49.

(12) 'Post-stabilization services' means covered services related to an emergency medical condition that are provided after a member is stabilized in order to maintain the stabilized condition or to improve or resolve the member's condition.

(13) 'Responsible health organization' means the entity that a health care provider reasonably identifies to be responsible for providing or arranging health care services for a patient who is a Medicaid or PeachCare for Kids recipient after the provider has properly conducted an eligibility verification in accordance with the procedures of the Department of Community Health."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 33-24-59.27, relating to right to shop for insurance coverage, disclosure of pricing information, and notice, effective July 1, 2021, as follows:

"33-24-59.27.

(a) This Code section shall be known and may be cited as the 'Georgia Right to Shop Act.'

(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Covered person' means an individual who is covered under a health benefit policy.

(2) 'Emergency services' means those health care services that are provided for a condition of recent onset and sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, regardless of the final diagnosis that is given, that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(3) 'Health benefit policy' or 'policy' means any individual or group plan, policy, or contract for health care services issued, delivered, issued for delivery, executed, or renewed in this state, including, but not limited to, those contracts executed by the state on behalf of state employees under Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45, by an insurer.

(4) 'Health care provider' or 'provider' means any physician, dentist, podiatrist, pharmacist, optometrist, psychologist, clinical social worker, advanced practice nurse, registered optician, licensed professional counselor, physical therapist, marriage and family therapist, chiropractor, athletic trainer qualified pursuant to Code Section 43-5-

8, occupational therapist, speech language pathologist, audiologist, dietitian, or physician assistant.

(5) 'Health care service' means:

(A) Physical and occupational therapy services;

(B) Obstetrical and gynecological services;

(C) Radiology and imaging services;

(D) Laboratory services;

(E) Infusion therapy;

(F) Inpatient or outpatient surgical procedures;

(G) Outpatient nonsurgical diagnostic tests or procedures; and

(H) Any services designated by the Commissioner as shoppable by health care consumers.

(6) 'Hierarchical Condition Category Methodology' means a coding system designed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to estimate future health care costs for patients.

(7) 'Insurer' means an accident and sickness insurer, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, health care corporation, health maintenance organization, preferred provider organization, provider sponsored ~~heath~~ health care corporation, managed care entity, or any similar entity authorized to issue contracts under this title or to provide health benefit policies.

(c) Each insurer shall make available on its publicly accessible website an interactive mechanism whereby any member of the public may:

(1) For each health benefit policy offered, compare the payment amounts accepted by in-network providers from such insurer for the provision of a particular health care service within the previous year;

(2) For each health benefit policy offered, obtain an estimate of the average amount accepted by in-network providers from such insurer for the provision of a particular health care service within the previous year;

(3) For each health benefit policy offered, obtain an estimate of the out-of-pocket costs that such covered person would owe his or her provider following the provision of a particular health care service;

(4) Compare quality metrics applicable to in-network providers for major diagnostic categories with adjustments by risk and severity based upon the Hierarchical Condition Category Methodology or a nationally recognized health care quality reporting standard designated by the Commissioner. Metrics shall be based on reasonably universal and uniform data bases with sufficient claim volume. If applicable to the provider, quality metrics shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) Risk adjusted and absolute hospital readmission rates;

(B) Risk adjusted and absolute hospitalization rates;

(C) Admission volume;

(D) Utilization volume;

(E) Risk adjusted rates of adverse events; and

(F) Risk adjusted and absolute relative total cost of care.

The Commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations which define the following terms: risk adjusted hospital readmission rates, absolute hospital readmission rates, risk adjusted hospitalization rates, absolute hospitalization rates, admission volume, utilization volume, risk adjusted rates of adverse events, risk adjusted total cost of care, and absolute relative total cost of care. Such terms shall be defined in accordance with federal law or regulation or as otherwise determined necessary by the Commissioner; and

(5) Access any all-payer health claims data base which may be maintained by the department.

(d) An insurer shall provide notification on its website that the actual amount that a covered person will be responsible to pay following the receipt of a particular health care service may vary due to unforseen costs that arise during the provision of such service.

(e) Each estimate of out-of-pocket costs provided pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of this Code section shall provide the following:

(1) The out-of-pocket costs a covered person may owe if he or she has exceeded his or her deductible; and

(2) The out-of-pocket costs a covered person may owe if he or she has not exceeded his or her deductible.

(f) An insurer may contract with a third party to satisfy part or all of the requirements of this Code section.

(g) Nothing in this Code section shall prohibit an insurer from charging a covered person cost sharing beyond that included in the estimate provided pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of this Code section if such additional cost sharing resulted from the unforseen provision of additional health care services and the cost-sharing requirements of such unforseen health care services were disclosed in such covered person's policy or certificate of insurance.

(h) The requirements of this Code section, with the exception of paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of this Code section, shall not apply to any health maintenance organization health benefits plan as defined in paragraph (4) of Code Section 33-21-1."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 33-30-22, relating to definitions regarding preferred provider arrangements, as follows:

"33-30-22.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Emergency services' or 'emergency care' means those health care services that are provided for a condition of recent onset and sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, <u>regardless of the final diagnosis that is given,</u> that would lead a prudent layperson, possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health, to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

(2) 'Health benefit plan' means the health insurance policy or subscriber agreement between the covered person or the policyholder and the health care insurer which defines the covered services and benefit levels available.

(3) 'Health care insurer' means an insurer, a fraternal benefit society, a health care plan, or a health maintenance organization authorized to sell accident and sickness insurance policies, subscriber certificates, or other contracts of insurance by whatever name called under this title.

(4) 'Health care provider' means any person duly licensed or legally authorized to provide health care services.

(5) 'Health care services' means services rendered or products sold by a health care provider within the scope of the provider's license or legal authorization. The term includes, but is not limited to, hospital, medical, surgical, dental, vision, chiropractic, psychological, and pharmaceutical services or products.

(6) 'Preferred provider' means a health care provider or group of providers who have contracted to provide specified covered services.

(7) 'Preferred provider arrangement' means a contract between or on behalf of the health care insurer and a preferred provider which complies with all the requirements of this article."

**SECTION 8.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 1.

SB 82, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 169. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding contracts for public works, Code Section 32-2-70 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bonds of successful bidder, and Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 91 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bonds generally, so as to provide for acceptance of electronic signatures and electronic corporate seals on bonds; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 169, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

House Resolution 264
By: Representative Burns of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

Relative to meetings and adjournments of the General Assembly; and for other purposes.

PART I

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that, except as otherwise provided by this resolution or by subsequent resolution of the General Assembly, meetings of the 2021 regular session of the General Assembly during the period of Tuesday, March 2, 2021, through Wednesday, March 31, 2021, shall be held in accordance with the following schedule:

Tuesday, March 2 ..... committee work day
Wednesday, March 3 ..... convene for legislative day 26
Thursday, March 4 ..... committee work day
Friday, March 5 ..... convene for legislative day 27

Monday, March 8 ..... convene for legislative day 28 (Crossover)
Tuesday, March 9 ..... convene for legislative day 29
Wednesday, March 10 ..... convene for legislative day 30
Thursday, March 11 ..... convene for legislative day 31

Monday, March 15 ..... convene for legislative day 32
Tuesday, March 16 ..... convene for legislative day 33
Wednesday, March 17 ..... convene for legislative day 34
Thursday, March 18 ..... convene for legislative day 35

Monday, March 22 ..... convene for legislative day 36
Tuesday, March 23 ..... convene for legislative day 37

Wednesday, March 24 ..... committee work day
Thursday, March 25..... convene for legislative day 38
Friday, March 26 ..... committee work day

Monday, March 29 ..... convene for legislative day 39
Tuesday, March 30 ..... committee work day
Wednesday, March 31 ..... convene for legislative day 40 (SINE DIE)

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the meetings of the General Assembly shall be held as prescribed in Code Section 28-1-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, except as otherwise provided by this resolution. The hours for convening and adjourning the House of Representatives for each legislative day may be as ordered by the House; and the hours for convening and adjourning the Senate for each legislative day may be as ordered by the Senate. Each house, upon its own adjournment for a legislative day, shall remain in a period of adjournment until it convenes for the next legislative day.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on and after the latest legislative day specified above, the schedule for meetings of the 2021 regular session may be as provided by another resolution of the General Assembly adopted subsequent to the adoption of this resolution.

PART II

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, and the Governor has by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with Code Section 38-3-52, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at such temporary location or locations in accordance with Code Sections 38-3-52 and 38-3-53 on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that whenever, due to an emergency or disaster, resulting from manmade or natural causes or enemy attack, it becomes imprudent, inexpedient, or impossible to conduct the affairs of the General Assembly at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, but the Governor has not by proclamation declared an emergency temporary location or locations for the seat of government in accordance with the above, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate may, by joint agreement, order the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings provided by this resolution and provide for reconvening the House and the Senate at the State Capitol in Atlanta, Fulton County, on such date and at such time as they deem practical.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the President of the Senate shall provide for prompt notice of the same to all members of the House of Representatives and all members of the Senate, respectively, by such means as such officers deem practical and efficient; and each house shall be and remain in adjournment until convening for the next legislative day on the date certain jointly specified by such officers. Following such reconvening, the General Assembly may provide by joint resolution for a new schedule for meetings and adjournments.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as to any case of emergency or disaster resulting in the discontinuation of the schedule for meetings as authorized by this resolution, the adoption of this resolution by the General Assembly shall constitute the consent of both the House of Representatives and the Senate for purposes of Article III, Section IV, Paragraph I(b) of the Constitution.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 51, nays 0, and the resolution was adopted.

The Calendar was resumed.

SB 185. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to state administrative organization, administration, and enforcement of revenue and taxation, so as to require that all questions of law decided by a court or the Georgia Tax Tribunal on matters arising from the state board of equalization and matters arising from refunds and appeals of state administration of Title 48 be decided without deference to determinations or interpretations of the Department of Revenue except without any effect on the judicial standard of deference given to rules promulgated pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 50, the "Georgia Administrative Procedure Act"; to amend Chapter 13A of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to tax tribunals; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 185, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 235. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Cowsert of the 46th, Harbison of the 15th, Kennedy of the 18th and Goodman of the 8th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to revise the offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; to clarify application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to SB 235:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to revise the offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; to clarify application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, is amended by revising Code Section 16-11-38, relating to wearing mask, hood, or device which conceals identity of wearer, as follows:

"16-11-38.

(a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor when he or she:

(1) Wears ~~wears~~ a mask, hood, or device by which any portion of ~~the~~ his or her face is so hidden, concealed, or covered as to conceal ~~the~~ his or her identity ~~of the wearer and is~~;

(2) Is upon:

(A) Any ~~any~~ public way or public property ~~or upon~~; or

(B) The ~~the~~ private property of another without the written permission of the owner or occupier of ~~the~~ such private property to do so;

(3) Intends to conceal his or her identity; and

(4) With reasonable foresight that injury would probably result:

(A) Intends to threaten, intimidate, or provoke the apprehension of violence;

(B) Acts with reckless disregard for the consequences of his or her conduct; or

(C) Acts with a heedless indifference to the rights and safety of others.

(b) ~~This Code section shall not apply to~~ Without limiting the generality of subsection (a) of this Code section, no person shall be guilty of violating this Code section by:

(1) ~~A person wearing~~ Wearing a traditional holiday costume on the occasion of the

holiday;
(2) ~~A person lawfully engaged~~ Lawfully engaging in trade and employment or in a sporting activity where a mask is worn for the purpose of ensuring the physical safety of the wearer~~,~~ or because of the nature of the occupation, trade, ~~or~~ profession, or sporting activity;
(3) ~~A person using~~ Using a mask in a theatrical production including use in Mardi gras celebrations and masquerade balls; ~~or~~
(4) ~~A person wearing~~ Wearing a gas mask prescribed in emergency management drills and exercises or emergencies; or
(5) Wearing a mask for the purpose of complying with the guidance of any health care agency or health care provider to prevent the spread of COVID-19 or other coronaviruses or influenza or other infectious diseases."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| E Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

SB 235, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 114. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Burke of the 11th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to professions and businesses, so as to revise the grounds for refusing to grant or revoking a license; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | E Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| E Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

SB 114, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 112. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Burke of the 11th, Thompson of the 14th,

Walker III of the 20th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to require annual notification to policy owners and requested beneficiaries of the existence of such policies; to require insurers to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance policy locator on a quarterly basis; to provide for reporting; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 112:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to require annual notification to policy owners and requested beneficiaries of the existence of such policies; to require insurers to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance policy locator on an annual basis; to provide for reporting; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-25-14.1.

(a) Every insurer licensed to transact life insurance or annuity policies in this state shall provide an annual disclosure of the existence of such policy to the owner of such policy. Such disclosure shall be delivered in person or by depositing the notice in the United States Postal Service mails to be dispatched by at least first-class mail to the last address of record of the policy owner with such insurer receiving the receipt provided by the United States Postal Service or such other evidence of mailing as prescribed or accepted by the United States Postal Service.

(b) The initial annual disclosure shall be provided on or before the later of one year from the effective date of such policy or one year from the effective date of this Act.

(c) Every insurer described in subsection (a) of this Code section shall also provide such disclosure to each additional party as may be reasonably chosen by the policy owner to receive such notification, in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner.

(d) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (c) of this Code section, no insurer shall be required to provide the disclosure described in such subsections unless such policy was paid up in full for the entirety of the preceding year.
(e) Every insurer described in subsection (a) of this Code section shall, on at least an annual basis, review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance policy locator service for policyholder matches and retain reports from such searches until December 31, 2025. Such insurer shall notify the owner or beneficiary within 90 days of discovery of such policyholder match.
(f) Every insurer shall maintain such reports required under subsection (e) of this Code section and submit such reports to the department in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner. This subsection shall stand repealed on December 31, 2025.
(g) The Commissioner is authorized to enforce this Code section and, in doing so, to exercise the powers granted to the Commissioner by Code Section 33-2-24 and any other provisions of this title."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
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| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| E Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 45, nays 2.

SB 112, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend the Senate Rules to first read legislation and assign to committee. There was no objection and the consent was granted.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 272. By Senators James of the 35th, Harbison of the 15th, Davenport of the 44th and Halpern of the 39th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Community Affairs, so as to create the Racial Equity and Reconciliation Commission of Georgia; to provide for membership and operation; to provide for an executive director; to provide for an advisory committee; to provide for duties; to provide for reporting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 276. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 17th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th and Dugan of the 30th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county law libraries, so as to allow county governing authorities to authorize the charging and collection of law library fees in county recorders' courts and magistrate courts; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, March 3, 2021
Twenty-sixth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 1:00 p.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

March 1, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Russ Goodman and Senator Kay Kirkpatrick** to serve as **Ex-Officio for the Senate Economic Development and Tourism Committee on 3/1/2021 at 8am.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

Legislative Services Committee

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL
316 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334
**(404) 656-5000**

March 1, 2021

Honorable Brad Raffensperger
Secretary of State
214 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Raffensperger:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Robert L. Brown, Jr., has been reelected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 4th Congressional District. He will serve for the remaining term expiring April 15, 2026. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,
/s/ Rick Ruskell
Rick Ruskell
Legislative Counsel

TO: HONORABLE BRAD RAFFENSPERGER
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Robert L. Brown, Jr. has been reelected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as a member of the State Transportation Board from the 4th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2026.

/s/ Geoff Duncan
HONORABLE GEOFF DUNCAN
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Legislative Services Committee

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316 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334
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March 1, 2021

Honorable Brad Raffensperger
Secretary of State
214 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Raffensperger:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Jeff Lewis has been reelected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 4th Congressional District. He will serve for the remaining term expiring April 15, 2026. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,
/s/ Rick Ruskell
Rick Ruskell
Legislative Counsel

TO: HONORABLE BRAD RAFFENSPERGER
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Jeff Lewis has been reelected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as a member of the State Transportation Board from the 4th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2026.

/s/ Geoff Duncan
HONORABLE GEOFF DUNCAN
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Date: 3/2/2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 268.

Signed: /s/ Tyler Harper District: 7th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Carden H. Summers of the 13th
(Primary Author)

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 124. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd and McDonald of the 26th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, so as to provide for multiple cremation devices; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming amendments; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to provide for rules and regulations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 244. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, DeLoach of the 167th, Sainz of the 180th, Meeks of the 178th and Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-8-8.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the funding of services, or reduction of ad valorem taxes, in unincorporated areas of counties and powers and duties of governing authority, so as to include flood risk reduction in the enumerated list of county purposes for which county ad valorem taxes or county corporation taxes based upon gross direct insurance premiums shall

be used; to provide for a definition; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 392. By Representatives Ridley of the 6th, Powell of the 32nd, Erwin of the 28th, Scoggins of the 14th and Washburn of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide that licenses for retail sale packages of alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises shall be subject to regulation as to distances from schools as determined by the local governing authority; to provide definitions; to provide an exception; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 443. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd and Scoggins of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages, so as to provide for new requirements regarding the transfer of structured settlement payment rights; to provide for definitions; to provide for registration of transferees; to provide for requirements; to provide for prohibited acts; to provide for required disclosures; to provide for approval of transfers; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 453. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Momtahan of the 17th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations and qualified motor vehicles or drivers with proceeds deposited into the general fund, so as to provide for standards for proof of eligibility for special license plates for certified, volunteer, and retired firefighters; to provide for the issuance of such special license plates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 459. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 36 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to limitation on annexation of areas furnished services or included in comprehensive zoning plan by

certain counties, so as to prohibit annexations of county operated airport property by governing authorities of certain municipal corporations absent approval by the governing authority of the county operating the airport; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 466. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Williams of the 145th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to reduce the number of required hours in the intervention component of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs; to allow licensed driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 476. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Knight of the 130th, Powell of the 32nd, Kelley of the 16th and Thomas of the 21st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional engineers and land surveyors, so as to provide that the Georgia Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Board is an independent state agency attached to the Secretary of State for administrative purposes only; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for the powers and duties of the board; to authorize the board to employ an executive director; to provide for the powers and duties of the executive director; to revise provisions for purposes of conformity; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 531. By Representatives Fleming of the 121st, Jones of the 47th, Powell of the 32nd, Blackmon of the 146th, Smith of the 70th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that no election superintendents or boards of registrars shall accept private funding; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting

laws; and for other purposes.

HB 539. By Representative Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Medical Practice Act of the State of Georgia," so as to revise provisions relating to institutional licenses; to provide for a definition; to revise a provision relating to United States Drug Enforcement Administration registration; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 271. By Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-34-13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fingerprinting and criminal background checks for health care professionals licensed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, so as to revise a provision regarding performance by the board of a criminal background check; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

SB 273. By Senators Jones of the 25th, Dolezal of the 27th, Dugan of the 30th, Beach of the 21st and Harbin of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to authorize local governments to conduct elections by paper ballot in 2021; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 274. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Bartow County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the full amount of the first $400,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 80 years of age or older; to provide that applicants have paid ad valorem property taxes in Bartow County for the

previous five years; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 275. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a homestead exemption from certain Bartow County School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for certain residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older, approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4904), as amended by an Act approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3669), so as to increase the exemption amount; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 277. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Ginn of the 47th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to carrying and possession of firearms, so as extend the exemptions from weapons carry laws for certain court officials to include carrying inside of a courthouse; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 278. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Jones II of the 22nd, Orrock of the 36th, Jordan of the 6th, Rahman of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to employment security, so as to provide protections for employees against retaliation for reporting violations of law; to provide for definitions; to provide for remedies; to provide for damages; to waive sovereign immunity; to provide for the burden of proof and affirmative defense; to provide for limitations of actions; to provide for appeals; to provide for venue; to provide for civil penalties; to provide for notice to employees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

SR 176. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Corporal Mark Prevatt and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 177. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Senator Valencia Seay on receiving the Georgia Speech-Language-Hearing Association Legislator Appreciation Award; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 179. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Senator Fran Millar and dedicating a road in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 124. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd and McDonald of the 26th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, so as to provide for multiple cremation devices; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming amendments; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to provide for rules and regulations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 244. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, DeLoach of the 167th, Sainz of the 180th, Meeks of the 178th and Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-8-8.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the funding of services, or reduction of ad valorem taxes, in unincorporated areas of counties and powers and duties of governing authority, so as to include flood risk reduction in the enumerated list of county purposes for which county ad valorem taxes or county corporation taxes based upon gross direct insurance premiums shall be used; to provide for a definition; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 392. By Representatives Ridley of the 6th, Powell of the 32nd, Erwin of the 28th, Scoggins of the 14th and Washburn of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide that licenses for retail sale packages of alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises shall be subject to regulation as to distances from schools as determined by the local governing authority; to provide definitions; to provide an exception; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 443. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd and Scoggins of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages, so as to provide for new requirements regarding the transfer of structured settlement payment rights; to provide for definitions; to provide for registration of transferees; to provide for requirements; to provide for prohibited acts; to provide for required disclosures; to provide for approval of transfers; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 453. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Momtahan of the 17th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations and qualified motor vehicles or drivers with proceeds deposited into the general fund,

so as to provide for standards for proof of eligibility for special license plates for certified, volunteer, and retired firefighters; to provide for the issuance of such special license plates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 459. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 36 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to limitation on annexation of areas furnished services or included in comprehensive zoning plan by certain counties, so as to prohibit annexations of county operated airport property by governing authorities of certain municipal corporations absent approval by the governing authority of the county operating the airport; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 466. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Williams of the 145th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to reduce the number of required hours in the intervention component of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs; to allow licensed driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 476. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Knight of the 130th, Powell of the 32nd, Kelley of the 16th and Thomas of the 21st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional engineers and land surveyors, so as to provide that the Georgia Professional Engineers and Land

Surveyors Board is an independent state agency attached to the Secretary of State for administrative purposes only; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for the powers and duties of the board; to authorize the board to employ an executive director; to provide for the powers and duties of the executive director; to revise provisions for purposes of conformity; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 531. By Representatives Fleming of the 121st, Jones of the 47th, Powell of the 32nd, Blackmon of the 146th, Smith of the 70th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that no election superintendents or boards of registrars shall accept private funding; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

HB 539. By Representative Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Medical Practice Act of the State of Georgia," so as to revise provisions relating to institutional licenses; to provide for a definition; to revise a provision relating to United States Drug Enforcement Administration registration; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 247 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Walker III of the 20th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 106 Do Pass by substitute
SB 240 Do Pass by substitute
SB 266 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

To: David Cook, Secretary of the Senate
From: Elena Parent
Re: Minority Report on SB 266
Date: March 3, 2021

Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.6, I hereby give notice that I will introduce a minority report to be read along with the majority report of Senate Bill 266.

/s/ Elena C. Parent
Sen. Elena Parent, District 42

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 202 Do Pass by substitute
SB 232 Do Pass by substitute
SB 241 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

To: David Cook, Secretary of the Senate
From: Gloria Butler
Re: Minority Report on SB 241
Date: March 3, 2021

Mr. Secretary:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.6, I hereby give notice that I will introduce a minority report to be read along with the majority report of Senate Bill 241.

/s/ Gloria Butler
Sen. Gloria Butler, District 55

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 199 Do Pass by substitute
SB 213 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 108 Do Pass
SB 218 Do Pass
SR 134 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following

recommendation:

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| HB 245 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 256 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Higher Education has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 239 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SR 154 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tippins of the 37th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 162 | Do Pass | SB 164 | Do Pass |
| SB 197 | Do Pass | SB 226 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 234 | Do Pass by substitute | SB 238 | Do Pass |
| SB 276 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SB 258 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 260 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harper of the 7th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 595 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SB 98 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Ginn of the 47th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 106 | Do Pass | HB 156 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 208 | Do Pass | SB 225 | Do Pass |
| SB 237 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| SB 69 | SB 71 | SB 72 | SB 74 | SB 153 | SB 178 |
| SB 219 | SB 236 | SB 246 | SB 252 | SB 253 | SB 255 |

SR 84 SR 143

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tillery of the 19th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tillery was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Orrock |
| Au | Harrell | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Payne |
| Brass | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Gooch | Lucas | Watson |
| Goodman | McNeill | |

Not answering were Senators:

James (Excused) Tate (Excused) Tillery (Excused)

Senator Jones of the 10th introduced Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court Harold Melton commended by SR 170, adopted previously. Chief Justice Melton addressed the Senate briefly.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Michael McCord of Toccoa, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Au of the 48th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. LaJune Oliver, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 174. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Joann A. Johnson-Reaves; and for other purposes.

SR 175. By Senators Butler of the 55th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harbison of the 15th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Mark P. Becker upon his retirement as president of Georgia State University; and for other purposes.

SR 178. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th, Halpern of the 39th, Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Frankye Odom-Bell for receiving the 2021 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

SR 180. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jackson of the 41st, Butler of the 55th, Halpern of the 39th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Charmaine Beckford-Willis for receiving the 2021 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

SR 181. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 2nd, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Elaine Ruth Levine; and for other purposes.

SR 182. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Jackson of the 41st, Au of the 48th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the Lupus Foundation of America and recognizing Thursday, March 11, 2021, as Lupus Advocacy Day at the state

capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 183. By Senators McNeill of the 3rd, Rahman of the 5th, Hickman of the 4th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Rhett of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Captain Thornell "T.K." King, Cornell L. Harvey, Johnny Robinson, and Clainetta T. Jefferson for their dedication to the community of Southeast Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 184. By Senator Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Ralph Wilson; and for other purposes.

SR 185. By Senator Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Art for Life: Building Creativity, Community and Connection; and for other purposes.

SR 186. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Burke of the 11th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia Academy of Audiology; and for other purposes.

SR 187. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Burke of the 11th and others:

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

SR 188. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Butler of the 55th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the 47th anniversary of the Consulate-General of Japan in Atlanta; and for other purposes.

SR 189. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION remembering the lives lost in the Catoosa and Ringgold communities during the 2011 EF4 tornado; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Wednesday March 3, 2021
Twenty-sixth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 595 Sims of the 12th
**CLAY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reconstituting the Board of Education of Clay County, approved January 15, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 3576), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3554) so as to change the compensation of the members of the board of education; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021
## TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SB 117 | Department of Human Services; offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; revise (Substitute)(JUDY-49th) |
| SB 195 | Hemp Farming; definition; revise (Substitute)(AG&CA-53rd) |
| SB 222 | State Symbols; pecan as the official state nut; designate (AG&CA-13th) |
| SB 95 | State Government; conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; provide (GvtO-47th) |
| SB 183 | Office of Sheriff; qualification requirements; revise (PUB SAF-29th) |
| SB 187 | HOPE Scholarship; procedure for students with disability as defined by the American with Disabilities Act to apply for a waiver; establish (H ED-37th) |
| SB 204 | Education; State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; provide (Substitute)(H ED-37th) |
| SB 42 | Education; school climate rating does not include discipline data; provide (Substitute)(ED&Y-53rd) |
| SB 107 | Postsecondary Education Grants; waiver of tuition and all fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; provide (Substitute)(H ED-17th) |

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| SB 66 | Georgia Foundation for Public Education; a nonprofit corporation created by the foundation to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; authorize (Substitute)(ED&Y-31st) |
| SB 59 | Education; additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; provide (Substitute)(ED&Y-56th) |
| SB 47 | Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act; revise prior school year requirement (Substitute)(ED&Y-51st) |
| SB 113 | Life Insurance; life insurers' requirement to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance policy locator service; provide (Substitute)(I&L-16th) |
| SB 168 | Meetings; corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-20th) |
| SB 182 | Counties and Municipal Corporations; "fence detection system"; define the term; counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities regulate or prohibit such system; limit the ability (SLGO(G)-29th) |

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that all bills on the Rules Calendar be placed on the Table.

Senator Butlers of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 33, nays 14; the motion prevailed, and SB 42, SB 47, SB 59, SB 66, SB 95, SB 107, SB 113, SB 117, SB 168, SB 182, SB 183, SB 187, SB 195, SB 204, and SB 222 were placed on the Table.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 182. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Harper of the 7th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to define the term "fence detection system"; to limit the ability of counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities to regulate or prohibit such systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 182 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 182, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 182. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Harper of the 7th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties

and municipal corporations, so as to define the term "fence detection system"; to limit the ability of counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities to regulate or prohibit such systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 1.

SB 182, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 113. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Burke of the 11th, Thompson of the 14th, Walker III of the 20th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to provide for life insurers' requirement to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance policy locator service; to provide for reporting; to

provide for the Commissioner to prescribe reporting; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 113 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 113, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 113. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Burke of the 11th, Thompson of the 14th, Walker III of the 20th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to provide for life insurers' requirement to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance policy locator service; to provide for reporting; to provide for the Commissioner to prescribe reporting; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 113:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to provide for life insurers' requirement to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance policy locator service; to provide for reporting; to provide for the Commissioner to prescribe reporting; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-25-16.

(a) Each insurer that issues or issues for delivery life insurance or annuities in this state shall, on at least an annual basis, review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' life insurance policy locator service for policyholder matches and obtain a policy locator service report.

(b) Each insurer shall maintain policy locator service search reports required under subsection (a) of this Code section and submit such reports in the manner prescribed by the Commissioner. The provisions of this subsection shall stand repealed on December 31, 2025.

(c) Each insurer described in subsection (a) of this Code section shall, on at least an annual basis, review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance policy locator service for policyholder matches and retain reports from such searches until December 31, 2025. Any such insurer shall notify the owner or beneficiary within 90 days of discovery of such policyholder match.

(d) Each insurer shall maintain such reports required under subsection (c) of this Code section and submit such reports to the department in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner. This subsection shall stand repealed on December 31, 2025.

(e) The Commissioner is authorized to enforce this Code section and, in doing so, to exercise the powers granted to the Commissioner by Code Section 33-2-24 and any other provisions of this title."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |

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| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 2.

SB 113, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Miller of the 49th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 117. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 117 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 117, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 117. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter

10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 117:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for definitions; to provide application for circumstances when improper sexual contact with a student is by an employee or agent within the same school district; to provide for the offenses of improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first and second degrees; to provide for criminal penalties; to revise cross-references; to provide that record restriction shall not be appropriate for such offenses under certain circumstances; to revise the definition of "dangerous sexual offense" to include the offense of improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first and second degrees; to provide for visitation restrictions for inmates convicted of such offenses; to provide for licensing implications for persons convicted of such offenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to improper sexual contact by employee or agent, consent not a defense, and penalty, as follows:

"16-6-5.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Agent' means an individual authorized to act on behalf of another, with or without compensation.

(1.1) 'Child-placing agency' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 49-5-3.

(2) 'Child welfare and youth services' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 49-5-3.
(3) 'Disability' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 37-1-1.
(4) 'Employee' means an individual who works for salary, wages, or other remuneration for an employer.
(4.1) 'Foster care home' means a private home used by a child-placing agency which has been approved by the child-placing agency to provide 24 hour care, lodging, supervision, and maintenance for one or more children or a private home which has been approved and is directly supervised by the Department of Human Services to provide 24 hour care, lodging, supervision, and maintenance for one or more children.
(4.2) 'Foster parent' means the person or persons who provide care, lodging, supervision, and maintenance for one or more children in a foster care home used by a child-placing agency or in a foster care home approved and directly supervised by the Department of Human Services.
(5) 'Intimate parts' means the genital area, groin, inner thighs, buttocks, or breasts of a person.
(5.1) 'Minor' means an individual who is under the age of 18 years.
(5.2) 'Person in a position of trust' means any person holding a position whereby a parent, guardian, or other person having immediate charge or custody of a minor has entrusted such person with the duty or responsibility for the health, education, or supervision of such minor.
(6) 'Psychotherapy' means the professional treatment or counseling of a mental or emotional illness, symptom, or condition.
(7) 'School' means any educational institution, public or private, providing elementary or secondary education to children at any level, kindergarten through twelfth grade, or the equivalent thereof if grade divisions are not used, including extracurricular programs of such institution.
(7.1) 'School district' means any area, county, independent, or local school district.
(8) 'Sensitive care facility' means any facility licensed or required to be licensed under Code Section 31-7-3, 31-7-12, or 31-7-12.2 or who is required to be licensed pursuant to Code Section 31-7-151 or 31-7-173.
(9) 'Sexual contact' means any contact involving the intimate parts of either person for the purpose of sexual gratification of either person.
(10) 'Sexually explicit conduct' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 16-12-100.

(b) An employee or agent commits the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexually explicit conduct with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:
(1) Enrolled as a student at a school or within the school district of which he or she is an employee or agent, including, but not limited to, a volunteer;
(2) Under probation, parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(3) Being detained by or is in the custody of any law enforcement agency of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(4) A patient in or at a hospital of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(5) In the custody of a correctional facility, juvenile detention facility, facility providing services to a person with a disability, or a facility providing child welfare and youth services of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(6) The subject of such employee or agent's actual or purported psychotherapy treatment or counseling; or

(7) Admitted for care at a sensitive care facility of which he or she is an employee or agent.

(b.1) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the first degree when he or she is a foster parent and knowingly engages in sexually explicit conduct with his or her current foster child.

(b.2) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first degree when he or she is a person in a position of trust and engages in sexually explicit conduct with such minor.

(c) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:

(1) Enrolled as a student at a school of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(2) Under probation, parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(3) Being detained by or is in the custody of a law enforcement agency of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(4) A patient in or at a hospital of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(5) In the custody of a correctional facility, juvenile detention facility, facility providing services to a person with a disability, or facility providing child welfare and youth services of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(6) The subject of such employee or agent's actual or purported psychotherapy treatment or counseling; or

(7) Admitted for care at a sensitive care facility of which he or she is an employee or agent.

(c.1) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree when he or she is a foster parent and knowingly engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with his or her current foster child.

(c.2) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the second degree when he or she is a person in a position of trust and engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with such minor.

(d) Consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution under this Code section.

(e)(1) This Code section shall not apply to sexually explicit conduct or sexual contact between individuals lawfully married to each other.

(2) This Code section shall not apply to a student who is enrolled at the same school as the victim.

(f) A person convicted of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first degree, ~~or~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the first degree, or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first degree shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than 25 years or by a fine not to exceed $100,000.00, or both; provided, however, that:

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, any person convicted of the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent, ~~or~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust with a child under the age of 16 years shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than 25 nor more than 50 years or a fine not to exceed $100,000.00, or both, and shall, in addition, be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2; and

(2) If at the time of the offense the victim of the offense is at least 14 years of age but less than 21 years of age and the person is 21 years of age or younger and is no more than 48 months older than the victim, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall not be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2.

(g) A person convicted of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree, ~~or~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree, or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the second degree shall be punished as for a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall not be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2; provided, however, that:

(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, any person convicted of the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree, ~~or~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree, or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the second degree with a child under the age of 16 years shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than five nor more than 25 years or by a fine not to exceed $25,000.00, or both, and shall, in addition, be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2;

(2) If at the time of the offense the victim of the offense is at least 14 years of age but less than 21 years of age and the person is 21 years of age or younger and is no more than 48 months older than the victim, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall not be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2; and

(3) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, upon a second or subsequent conviction of the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree, ~~or~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree, or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the second degree, the person shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment

for not less than one year nor more than five years and shall be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, is amended by revising paragraph (7) of subsection (a) of Code Section 17-10-6.2, relating to punishment for sexual offenders, as follows:

"(7) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust, as provided in Code Section 16-6-5.1;"

**SECTION 3.**

Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Crime Information Center, is amended by revising division (j)(4)(B)(viii) of Code Section 35-3-37, relating to review of individual's criminal history record information, definitions, privacy considerations, written application requesting review, and inspection, as follows:

"(viii) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent, ~~and~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1;"

**SECTION 4.**

Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, is amended in paragraph (10) of subsection (a) of Code Section 42-1-12, relating to the State Sexual Offender Registry, by revising subparagraph (B.3) and by adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

"(B.3) 'Dangerous sexual offense' with respect to convictions occurring ~~after June 30, 2019~~ between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2021, means any criminal offense, or the attempt to commit any criminal offense, under Title 16 as specified in this subparagraph or any offense under federal law or the laws of another state or territory of the United States which consists of the same or similar elements of the following offenses:

(i) Aggravated assault with the intent to rape in violation of Code Section 16-5-21;

(ii) Kidnapping in violation of Code Section 16-5-40 which involves a victim who is less than 14 years of age, except by a parent;

(iii) Trafficking an individual for sexual servitude in violation of Code Section 16-5-46;

(iv) Rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-1;

(v) Sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;

(vi) Aggravated sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;

(vii) Statutory rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-3, if the individual convicted of the offense is 21 years of age or older;

(viii) Child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4;
(ix) Aggravated child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4, unless the person was convicted of a misdemeanor offense;
(x) Enticing a child for indecent purposes in violation of Code Section 16-6-5;
(xi) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first or second degree in violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1, unless the punishment imposed was not subject to Code Section 17-10-6.2;
(xii) Incest in violation of Code Section 16-6-22;
(xiii) A second or subsequent conviction for sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.1;
(xiv) Aggravated sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.2;
(xv) Sexual exploitation of children in violation of Code Section 16-12-100;
(xvi) Electronically furnishing obscene material to minors in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.1;
(xvii) Computer pornography and child exploitation in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.2;
(xviii) A second or subsequent conviction for obscene telephone contact in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.3; or
(xix) Any conduct which, by its nature, is a sexual offense against a victim who is a minor or an attempt to commit a sexual offense against a victim who is a minor.

(B.4) 'Dangerous sexual offense' with respect to convictions occurring after June 30, 2021, means any criminal offense, or the attempt to commit any criminal offense, under Title 16 as specified in this subparagraph or any offense under federal law or the laws of another state or territory of the United States which consists of the same or similar elements of the following offenses:
(i) Aggravated assault with the intent to rape in violation of Code Section 16-5-21;
(ii) Kidnapping in violation of Code Section 16-5-40 which involves a victim who is less than 14 years of age, except by a parent;
(iii) Trafficking an individual for sexual servitude in violation of Code Section 16-5-46;
(iv) Rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-1;
(v) Sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;
(vi) Aggravated sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;
(vii) Statutory rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-3, if the individual convicted of the offense is 21 years of age or older;
(viii) Child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4;
(ix) Aggravated child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4;
(x) Enticing a child for indecent purposes in violation of Code Section 16-6-5;
(xi) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first or second degree or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first or second degree in violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1, unless the punishment imposed was not subject to Code Section 17-10-6.2;

(xii) Incest in violation of Code Section 16-6-22;
(xiii) A second or subsequent conviction for sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.1;
(xiv) Aggravated sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.2;
(xv) Sexual exploitation of children in violation of Code Section 16-12-100;
(xvi) Computer pornography and child exploitation in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.2;
(xvii) A second or subsequent conviction for obscene telephone contact in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.3; or
(xviii) Any conduct which, by its nature, is a felony sexual offense against a victim who is a minor or an attempt to commit a felony sexual offense against a victim who is a minor."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 42-5-56, relating to visitation with minors by convicted sexual offenders, as follows:

"42-5-56.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'sexual offense' means a violation of Code Section 16-6-1, relating to the offense of rape; Code Section 16-6-2, relating to the offenses of sodomy and aggravated sodomy; Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent, ~~and~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust; Code Section 16-6-22, relating to the offense of incest; or Code Section 16-6-22.2, relating to the offense of aggravated sexual battery, when the victim was under 18 years of age at the time of the commission of any such offense; or a violation of Code Section 16-6-3, relating to the offense of statutory rape; Code Section 16-6-4, relating to the offenses of child molestation and aggravated child molestation; or Code Section 16-6-5, relating to the offense of enticing a child for indecent purposes, when the victim was under 16 years of age at the time of the commission of any such offense.

(b) Any inmate with a current or prior conviction for any sexual offense as defined in subsection (a) of this Code section shall not be allowed visitation with any person under the age of 18 years unless such person is the spouse, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandson, or granddaughter of the inmate and such person is not the victim of a sexual offense for which the inmate was convicted. If visitation with a minor is restricted by court order, permission for special visitation with the minor may be granted only by the court issuing such order."

**SECTION 6.**

Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, is amended by revising subparagraph (a)(2)(J) of Code Section 49-2-14.1, relating to records check requirement for licensing facilities, as follows:

"(J) A violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to improper sexual contact by

employee or agent, ~~and~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust;"

**SECTION 7.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 117, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 107. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, so as to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including mandatory rooming and board fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 107 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 107, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 107. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, so as to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including mandatory rooming and board fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Higher Education offered the following substitute to SB 107:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, so as to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including customary rooming and board

fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for the involvement of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for a statement of purpose; to urge the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to adopt similar waiver provisions for the benefit of youth who age out of foster care; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, is amended by repealing Code Section 20-3-660, relating to program of grants created, terms and conditions, applications, eligibility, duties of the Division of Family and Children Services, expenses and fees covered, and report by the Education Coordinating Council, and enacting a new Code Section 20-3-660 to read as follows:

"20-3-660.

(a) It is the policy of the General Assembly that resources of this state should be committed to support benefits and positive outcomes for youth who age out of foster care. A postsecondary education can benefit these youth, many of whom who have come from places of great disadvantage; however, too few have been able to realize the benefit. Therefore, the General Assembly establishes this program to support as many of these youth as possible in realizing the benefits of postsecondary education. The General Assembly urges and recommends that the Board of Regents adopt substantially similar tuition waiver programs for these youth to realize the benefits of postsecondary education in the University System of Georgia.

(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Public postsecondary educational institution' means any unit of the Technical College System of Georgia.

(2) 'Waiver program' or 'program' means the program provided for in this Code section.

(c) Tuition and all fees, including, but not limited to, any fees, costs, or charges relating to customary housing, meal, or room and board programs, for any undergraduate program of any public postsecondary educational institution shall be waived as provided for in this Code section for each foster child or adopted child who meets the following requirements:

(1)(A) The student's family receives state funded adoption assistance as provided in Code Section 49-5-8;

(B) The student is currently in the custody of the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services as provided in Code Section 15-11-212;

(C) The student is participating in the Division of Family and Children Services independent living program in accordance with applicable policies and procedures; or

(D) The student is an adopted child who was in the permanent legal custody of and placed for adoption by the Division of Family and Children Services following the child's fourteenth birthday, including any such student who, at the time of application to a public postsecondary educational institution, resides outside of Georgia due to such placement.

(2) The student is currently enrolled full-time or part-time in a public postsecondary educational institution or, within three years of receiving his or her high school diploma or general educational development (GED) diploma, the student has been accepted for admission to a public postsecondary educational institution;

(3) The student remains in good standing and meets the standard for satisfactory academic progress as defined by the public postsecondary educational institution and as applied to undergraduate students generally;

(4) The student has not reached the age of 28; and

(5) The student completes a simplified application process established by the Division of Family and Children Services, which shall include completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine the level of need and eligibility for state and federal financial aid programs; provided, however, that a student who is presumptively eligible to participate in the waiver program shall be permitted to provisionally participate in the waiver program for a period of up to 30 days pending the student's completion of the application process.

(d) For each student who meets the requirements provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section, such student's public postsecondary educational institution shall waive tuition and all fees as necessary to cover all assessed costs of attendance, as defined in 20 U.S.C. Section 1087ll, that are not covered by all available federal and nonfederal student aid sources identified in the student's Student Aid Report from the United States Department of Education excepting student loans and any work-study program provided for in 42 U.S.C. 2751-2756b.

(e) The Division of Family and Children Services shall:

(1) Advertise the availability of the waiver program and ensure that the children and young adults leaving foster care, foster parents, and any other applicable resources are informed of the availability of the waiver program and the related application procedures;

(2) Provide application forms to participate in the waiver program to all children and young adults leaving foster care;

(3) Provide assistance to students attempting to complete the application process;

(4) Report the number of students participating in the waiver program on October 1 of each year to the Office of Planning and Budget and the Office of the Child Advocate;

(5) Report nonidentifying data on graduation rates of students participating in the waiver program by November 30 each year to the Office of Planning and Budget and the Office of the Child Advocate; and

(6) Promulgate such rules and regulations as may be required to carry out the provisions of this Code section.

(f) The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall adopt policies creating an expedited and simplified process to work in collaboration with Division of Family and Children Services and to enroll eligible students with a simplified process involving minimal paperwork.

(g) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to:

(1) Guarantee acceptance of or entrance into any public postsecondary educational institution for a foster child or adopted child;

(2) Limit the participation of a student who is a foster child or adopted child in any other program of financial assistance for postsecondary education; or

(3) Restrict any public postsecondary educational institution or the Division of Family and Children Services from accessing other sources of financial assistance, except loans, that may be available to a foster child or adopted child who meets the eligibility requirements of the waiver program."

**SECTION 2.**

This act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 3.**

All other laws or parts of laws that conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 107, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 204. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to allow students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain secondary school coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 204 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 204, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 204. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical

College System of Georgia to allow students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain secondary school coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Higher Education offered the following substitute to SB 204:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia which allows students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from such secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to provide for the purposes of the pilot program; to provide for requirements for student eligibility to participate in and complete the program; to provide for waivers and variances; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a repealer; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for notice requirements for students under age 18 before withdrawing from a public secondary school in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I.**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, is amended in Code Section 20-4-11, relating to powers of the board, by revising paragraphs (1), (2), and (10) and inserting a new paragraph to read as follows:

"20-4-11.

The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall be empowered to:

(1) Provide for a comprehensive program of literacy, career, occupational, and technical education for adults and out-of-school youths. Such program shall promote the economic well-being of Georgia citizens by providing high quality postsecondary

technical and adult education and literacy programs, services, and activities which are easily accessible by all segments of the adult population who need and can benefit from training, retraining, or upgrade training for employment and which is highly responsive to individuals needing to achieve basic, general, and specialized literacy. Such program shall also provide an opportunity for individuals, including out-of-school youths, who have reached age 16 and who meet certain criteria provided for in this chapter, to attain a high school diploma in conjunction with the completion of one or more other components of the postsecondary technical program. Such program shall also provide a system of schools which is a full partner in the economic development and expansion of the state's economic base and represents a significant asset in the attraction of new business and industry to the state and the expansion of existing business and industry in the state;

(2) Establish and promulgate standards, rules, regulations, and policies for the orderly and efficient operation of the Technical College System of Georgia and of postsecondary technical schools, programs, and institutions, including those which it operates and those operated by local and area boards of education, and for the orderly and efficient provision of adult ~~literacy~~ education and literacy programs:

(A) Such standards, rules, regulations, and policies may include but not be limited to developing criteria for the recruitment, employment and retention of faculty and staff; recruitment of students and student admissions; program approval, salaries and salary supplements, tuition, and fees; eligibility of public and private providers of adult literacy education programs for state and federal funds, levels of funding for such providers and associated levels of required provider matching funds; long and short-term planning to include facilities, program standards, and outcome competencies; establishing provisions for appropriate recognition of program achievement below the baccalaureate level; soliciting resources from the private sector; industry and education partnerships; research and data collection; representing postsecondary technical and adult literacy education in all forums; and such other functions necessary to assure an effective and efficient state-wide system of postsecondary technical schools and adult literacy education with leadership at the state level; and

(B) For adult education and literacy programs, the state board shall establish:

(i) Comprehensive and detailed standards ~~One set of standards~~ for public and private adult education and literacy providers ~~and another set of standards for private adult education and literacy providers. The public standards shall be more comprehensive and detailed than the private standards~~; and

(ii) Standards and requirements for the attainment of a high school equivalency certificate which shall be comparable to the high school graduation requirements set by the State Board of Education for public school programs and which shall also be at least equal to the requirements established for a general educational development (GED) diploma. The ~~State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia~~ state board shall also adopt and administer an instrument to measure the level of achievement required to obtain a high school equivalency certificate;

and
(iii) Standards and requirements for the attainment of a high school diploma conferred by the state board which shall be comparable to the high school graduation requirements set by the State Board of Education for public school programs;"

"(10)(A) Approve a request by a postsecondary technical school or institution governed under this chapter to be named a technical college upon the approval and granting of occupational degree-granting status by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and upon receiving accreditation by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Schools, the Council on Occupational Education, or any other appropriate accrediting agency approved by the United States Secretary of Education. The use of the name technical college shall not alter the governance of the technical school or institution as established under this chapter nor shall it abridge the authority of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia under the Constitution of this state; and
(B) Award high school diplomas as provided for in this chapter; and"

**SECTION 1-2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-4-18, relating to management and control of adult literacy and postsecondary technical education programs and schools, as follows:

"20-4-18.

Subject to the provisions of Code Section 20-4-20, any other Code section of this article to the contrary notwithstanding, all decisions regarding the delivery of adult literacy and postsecondary technical education programs and services to business, industry, and individuals who are 16 years of age or older and who have completed or left the public schools, to include the awarding of high school equivalency certificates and diplomas, shall be made by the Technical College System of Georgia. Commensurate with this authority, the system shall exercise state level management and operational control over adult literacy education programs, postsecondary technical schools, and adult vocational centers."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 6

20-4-140.

(a) As used in this article, the term:
(1) 'Dual Achievement Program' or 'program' means the program provided for in this article.
(2) 'Eligible student' means a student who meets the qualifications to participate in the program.

(3) 'State board' means the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia.
(4) 'Technical college system' means the Technical College System of Georgia.

20-4-141.

(a)(1) The state board shall, in coordination with the State Board of Education, Department of Education, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Corrections, and the Office of Planning and Budget, establish a pilot program to allow students who meet eligibility requirements to qualify for enrollment in the Dual Achievement Program at a participating unit of the technical college system and, upon successful completion of the program, be awarded a high school diploma. The purpose of the pilot program is to assess the feasibility of implementing a state-funded program for eligible students who have withdrawn from high school to enroll in a unit of the technical college system to participate in an academic and technical education and training program which, upon successful completion, allows the student to earn a high school diploma while also earning a technical college associate degree, a technical college diploma, or technical college certificates of credit in specific career pathways.

(2) To implement the pilot program, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and the State Board of Education shall be authorized to waive or provide variances to state rules, regulations, policies, and procedures and to provisions of this title that may be reasonably necessary to meet the goals of the pilot program. Such waivers or variances shall automatically expire at the end of five years unless an earlier expiration is provided for. The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and the State Board of Education shall be authorized to seek waivers or variances of federal laws, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures that may be reasonably necessary to meet the goals of the pilot program.

(3) The pilot program, as determined by the state board, may include up to five units of the technical college system for a period of five years. In an effort to pilot the program under various conditions present in the state, the state board shall seek to include in the pilot program units of the technical college system from various geographic areas in the state.

(4) The state board shall review the results of the pilot program and shall no later than February 1 each year during the program provide the General Assembly with a comprehensive report on the program with any recommendations for its continued use and any needed changes in the program. Such report shall include a comprehensive list any such waivers or variances requested as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a statement of necessity for each request, and whether each request was granted in whole or in part.

(b) The pilot program established by the state board pursuant to this article shall provide for the award of a high school diploma to students who successfully complete the program.

(c) The state board shall determine the specific competencies concerning the skills and

knowledge needed for completion of each component of the program; provided, however, that the state board shall make such determination regarding the skills and knowledge needed to meet the requirements for a high school diploma as provided for in this program in consultation with the State Board of Education and the Department of Education.

(d) In order to minimize the risk of prospective students prematurely withdrawing from a secondary school in order to participate in the program, the state board shall provide for preliminary review of academic records, including, but not limited to official secondary school transcripts, submitted by prospective students to determine whether such students meet the requirements provided for in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (e) of this Code Section. If a prospective student meets such requirements, the student shall be so notified and allowed to complete a readiness assessment required by the technical college system. Students who meet the requirements provided for in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (e) of this Code Section and attain a score of admission acceptable on the readiness assessment shall be notified that they are eligible to participate in the program, subject to meeting the requirements provided for in paragraphs (4) and (5) of subsection (e) of this Code Section.

(f) To be eligible to participate in the program, a student shall:

(1) Be 16 years of age or older;

(2) Have completed at least six of the nine following state required ninth and tenth grade level high school courses: two English courses, two mathematics courses, two science courses, two social studies courses, and one health and physical education course; and any state required tests associated with any such courses;

(3) Receive a score of admission acceptable on the readiness assessment required by the technical college system;

(4) Provide the following:

(A) If an unemancipated minor:

(i) Verification that the student's parent or legal guardian attended a conference with the student's high school principal or the principal's designee as provided for in subsection (e) of Code Section 20-2-690.1;

(ii) A copy of the form provided for in subsection (e) of Code Section 20-2-690.1 signed by the student's parent or legal guardian;

(iii) Written acknowledgment by the student's parent or guardian that withdrawal of the student from secondary school may result in loss of eligibility for accommodations, specialized instruction, and other services pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq.; and

(iv) Written acknowledgment that the high school diploma available through the Dual Achievement Program requires successful completion of the program; or

(B) If an emancipated minor or a student who is 18, 19, or 20 years of age:

(i) Written acknowledgment that the student has conferred with his or her secondary school principal or the principal's designee or a qualified designated

official of the technical college system and discussed alternatives to withdrawing from high school without completing graduation requirements and potential consequences of not having a high school diploma, including lower lifetime earnings, fewer jobs for which the student will be qualified, and the inability to avail oneself of higher educational opportunities.

(ii) Written acknowledgment by the student's parent or guardian that withdrawal of the student from secondary school may result in loss of eligibility for accommodations, specialized instruction, and other services pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq.; and

(iii) Written acknowledgment that the high school diploma available through the Dual Achievement Program requires successful completion of the program; and

(5) Be withdrawn from a public secondary school of this state.

(g) The state board shall award a high school diploma to a student enrolled in the program provided for in this article who:

(1) Completes all student counseling and assessment requirements of the program;

(2) Completes rigorous coursework at a participating unit of the technical college system; and

(3) Completes:

(A) A technical college associate degree program;

(B) A technical college diploma program; or

(C) At least two technical college certificate of credit programs in one specific career pathway.

(h) A student who meets the requirements of subsections (f) of this Code section shall be deemed to have met all graduation requirements of the State Board of Education and shall not be subject to any assessments otherwise required for purposes of graduation.

(i) The state board, in consultation with the State Board of Education, Department of Education, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Corrections, and the Office of Planning and Budget, shall establish rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this article.

20-4-142.

This article shall stand repealed on July 1 of the year following the conclusion of the pilot program."

**PART II.**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended in Code Section 20-2-690.1, relating to mandatory education for children between ages six and sixteen, by revising subsection (e) as follows:

"(e) An unemancipated minor who is older than the age of mandatory attendance as required in subsection (a) of this Code section who has not completed all requirements for a high school diploma who wishes to withdraw from school shall have the written permission of his or her parent or legal guardian prior to withdrawing. Prior to accepting such permission, the school principal or designee shall convene a conference with the child and parent or legal guardian within two school days of receiving notice of the intent of the child to withdraw from school. The principal or designee shall make a reasonable attempt to share with the student and parent or guardian the educational options available, including the opportunity to pursue a general educational development (GED) diploma and the consequences of not having earned a high school diploma, including lower lifetime earnings, fewer jobs for which the student will be qualified, and the inability to avail oneself of higher educational opportunities. Every local board of education shall adopt a policy on the process of voluntary withdrawal of unemancipated minors who are older than the mandatory attendance age. The policy shall be filed with the Department of Education no later than January 1, 2007. The Department of Education shall provide annually to all local school superintendents model forms for the parent or guardian signature requirement contained in this subsection and updated information from reliable sources relating to the consequences of withdrawing from school without completing all requirements for a high school diploma. Such form shall include information relating to the opportunity to pursue a general educational development (GED) diploma and the consequences of not having earned a high school diploma, including lower lifetime earnings, fewer jobs for which the student will be qualified, and the inability to avail oneself of higher educational opportunities. Such form shall also include information regarding potential loss of eligibility for accommodations, specialized instruction, and other services pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq. Each local school superintendent shall provide such forms and information to all of its principals of schools serving grades six through twelve for the principals to use during the required conference with the child and parent or legal guardian."

**PART III.**
**SECTION 3-1.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 204, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 47. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts; to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 31, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and SB 47 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 47, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

SB 47. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts; to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 47:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts; to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2113, relating to annual notification of options available to parents of special needs students, as follows:

"20-2-2113.

(a) The resident school system shall provide specific written notice of the options available under this article to the parent at the initial Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting in which a disability of the parent's child is identified or at the time the child is determined to be eligible for accommodations or services under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Thereafter, the resident school system shall annually notify prior to the beginning of each school year the parent of a student with a disability by letter, electronic means, or by such other reasonable means in a timely manner of the options available to the parent under this article.

(b)(1) The parent may choose for the student to attend another public school within the resident school system which has available space and which has a program with the services agreed to in the student's existing ~~individualized education program~~ Individualized Education Program or Section 504 Plan. If the parent chooses this option, then the parent shall be responsible for transportation to such school. The student may attend such public school pursuant to this paragraph until the student completes all grades of the school, graduates, or reaches the age of 21, whichever occurs first, in accordance with federal and state requirements for disabled students;

(2) The parent may choose to enroll the student in and transport the student to a public school outside of the student's resident school system which has available space and which has a program with the services agreed to in the student's existing ~~individualized education program~~ Individualized Education Program or Section 504 Plan. The nonresident public school system may accept the student, and if it does, such system shall report the student for purposes of funding to the department;

(3) The parent may choose for the student to attend one of the state schools for the deaf and blind operated by the State Board of Education, if appropriate for the student's needs. Funding for such students shall be provided in accordance with Code Section 20-2-302; or

(4) The parent may request and receive from the department a scholarship for the student to enroll in and attend a participating private school in accordance with this article."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (f) of Code Section 20-2-2114, relating to qualifications for scholarship, financial responsibility, state-wide assessments, exception, and compliance, as follows:

"(a) A student shall qualify for a scholarship under this article if:

(1) The student's parent currently resides within Georgia and has been a Georgia resident for at least one year; provided, however, that the one-year requirement shall not apply if the student's parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year;

~~(2) The student has one or more of the following disabilities:~~

~~(A) Autism;~~

~~(B) Deaf/blind;~~

~~(C) Deaf/hard of hearing;~~

~~(D) Emotional and behavioral disorder;~~

~~(E) Intellectual disability;~~

~~(F) Orthopedic impairment;~~

~~(G) Other health impairment;~~

~~(H) Specific learning disability;~~

~~(I) Speech-language impairment;~~

~~(J) Traumatic brain injury; or~~

~~(K) Visual impairment;~~

~~(3) The student:~~

~~(A) Has spent the prior school year in attendance at a Georgia public school; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply if the student's parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year; and~~

(2) The student has spent the prior school year in attendance at a Georgia public school or received preschool special education or related services pursuant to Section 619 of Part B of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply if:

(A) The student's parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year;

(B) The student has been adopted or placed in a permanent guardianship from foster care pursuant to an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction within the previous year;

(C) The student previously qualified for a scholarship pursuant to this article; or

(D) The scholarship application is made for the 2021-2022 school year on behalf of a student who was enrolled in a Georgia public school at the time of at least one count provided for in Code Section 20-2-160 during either the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school years;

~~(B)~~(3)(A) The student has ~~Has~~ an Individualized Education Program (IEP) written in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations; provided, however, that the

State Board of Education shall be authorized to require a local board of education to expedite the development of an Individualized Education Program and to waive the prior school year requirement contained in ~~subparagraph (A) of this~~ paragraph (2) of this subsection, in its sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis for specific medical or behavioral needs of the student upon the request of a parent or guardian in accordance with state board procedures. If an expedited Individualized Education Program is required by the state board pursuant to this subparagraph, the state board may additionally require such expedited process to be completed prior to the beginning of the school year. The State Board of Education shall provide an annual report by December 31 of each year ~~through December 31, 2015,~~ regarding the number of waivers approved pursuant to this paragraph to the General Assembly; or

(B) The student has a formal diagnosis from a licensed physician or psychologist or a Section 504 Plan relating to one or more conditions that are included among the conditions which shall be identified by the State Board of Education for the purposes of this Code section and which shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(i) Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD);

(ii) Autism spectrum disorder;

(iii) Bipolar disorder;

(iv) Cancer;

(v) Cerebral palsy;

(vi) Cystic fibrosis;

(vii) Deafness;

(viii) Down syndrome;

(ix) Drug or alcohol abuse;

(x) Dual sensory impairment;

(xi) Dyslexia;

(xii) Emotional or behavioral disorder;

(xiii) Epilepsy;

(xiv) Hearing impairment;

(xv) Intellectual disability;

(xvi) Muscular dystrophy;

(xvii) Specific learning disability;

(xviii) Spina bifida;

(xix) Traumatic brain injury;

(xx) Visual impairment; or

(xxi) Any rare disease identified by the National Institutes of Health's Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center's list of rare disease disorders.

(4) The parent obtains acceptance for admission of the student to a participating school; and

(5) The parent submits an application for a scholarship to the department no later than the deadline established by the department; provided, however, that the department shall ~~provide~~ establish periodic application ~~deadline opportunities~~ deadlines during the school year, which shall occur no less frequently than on September 15, December 15,

~~and~~ February 15, and March 15 of each school year, for a student to transfer."

"(f) With respect to local school systems, the acceptance ~~Acceptance~~ of a scholarship shall have the same effect as a parental refusal to consent to services pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and a parental waiver of rights to educational accommodations under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq."

**SECTION 3.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 20-2-2116, relating to amount of scholarship and method of payments, as follows:

"(a) The maximum scholarship granted a scholarship student pursuant to this article shall be an amount equivalent to the costs of the educational program that would have been provided for the student in the resident school system as calculated under Code Section 20-2-161 and, if a scholarship student has an Individualized Education Program (IEP), based upon services specified in the Individualized Education Program in place at the time of the most recent enrollment count, as described in Code Section 20-2-160. This shall not include any federal funds.

(b) The amount of the scholarship shall be the lesser of the amount calculated in subsection (a) of this Code section or the amount of the participating school's tuition and fees, if applicable~~.~~, including, but not limited to, fees for:

(1) Student assessment;

(2) Uniforms;

(3) Physical therapy, speech therapy, or occupational therapy;

(4) Athletics;

(5) Before or after-school care;

(6) Books and school supplies;

(7) Meals;

(8) Summer school programs;

(9) Tutoring;

(10) Field trips; and

(11) Other materials, services, or activities as authorized by the department. ~~The amount of any assessment fee required by the participating school may be paid from the total amount of the scholarship.~~"

**SECTION 4.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2117, relating to adoption and promulgation of rules, immunity from liability for scholarship decisions, and schools barred from program participation for certain actions, as follows:

"20-2-2117.

(a) The board shall adopt rules to administer the program regarding eligibility and participation of participating schools, including, but not limited to, timelines that will maximize student and public and private school participation, the calculation and distribution of scholarships to eligible students and participating schools, and the

application and approval procedures for eligible students and participating schools. The department shall develop and utilize a compliance form for completion by participating schools. The department shall be authorized to require any pertinent information as it deems necessary from participating schools for the purpose of implementing the program. Participating schools shall be required to complete such forms and certify their accuracy.

(b) The board shall adopt rules to administer the program regarding student eligibility, transparency, and awareness of the impact of the program, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) The department shall conduct an annual survey of participating parents' satisfaction with the program, their satisfaction with the private school, and their likelihood of recommending the program. Survey results shall be collected using only numerical measures and made publicly available in the annual report provided for in Code Section 20-2-2118; and

(2) The department shall post on its publicly accessible website the basic unit cost for general instructional programs as a minimum estimate for scholarship amounts. The department shall provide parents of scholarship students the actual scholarship amounts upon appropriation of state funds to the department for disbursement. Within 30 calendar days of receipt of the actual scholarship amount, a parent of a scholarship student who believes that such student's program weights have been incorrectly reported by the local school system may make a request in writing to the department for a review of the accuracy of the local school system's reported program weights. The department shall provide a written response within 30 days of receipt of the parent's written request.

(c) No liability shall arise on the part of the department or the state or of any local board of education based on the award or use of a scholarship awarded pursuant to this article.

~~(c)~~(d) The department may bar a school from participation in the program if the department determines that the school has intentionally and substantially misrepresented information or failed to refund to the state any scholarship overpayments in a timely manner."

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Gooch of the 51st offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to SB 47 (LC 49 0442S) by deleting* "licensed physician or psychologist" *on line 93 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:* "physician or psychologist licensed in this state"

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Gooch amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved the previous question.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 31, nays 21; the motion prevailed, and the previous question was ordered.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the Gooch amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 30, nays 23.

SB 47, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 59. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 59 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 59, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 59. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 59:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for direct allocation of appropriated funds to local charter schools by the State Board of Education; to provide an additional opportunity for existing charter schools to elect to participate in a health insurance plan for teachers and employees; to provide that certain employees of state charter schools shall be included in the definition of "public school employee" for purposes of the health insurance plan for public school employees; to provide for the allocation and distribution of federal funds by local school systems to local charter schools; to require local boards of education to provide local charter schools with educational facilities or a stipend to offset the costs of educational facilities; to provide for the calculation of such stipend; to allow for the stipend amount to exceed the calculated amount; to delete provisions relating to unused facilities, including the definition of said term, the requirement that local boards of education make unused educational facilities available to local charter schools, and the right of local charter schools to appeal decisions of local boards of education relating to unused facilities; to provide for multiple effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-165.1, relating to charter system earnings for each full-time equivalent student and use of funds, as follows:

"20-2-165.1.

In addition to the amounts earned by a charter system <u>or a local charter school</u> pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-161, a charter system <u>or a local charter school</u> shall earn 3.785 percent of the base amount established pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-161 for each full-time equivalent student in each school within the charter

system or each full-time equivalent student within the local charter school; provided, however, that no individual charter system or local charter school shall receive more than $4.5 million in a fiscal year. The State Board of Education shall directly allocate the amount of appropriated funds calculated pursuant to this Code section to each local charter school. Funds appropriated pursuant to this Code section shall be used in accordance with recommendations of the school level governing body established by the charter or to advance student achievement goals and school level governance training objectives pursuant to the charter."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-880, relating to definitions regarding health insurance plan for public school teachers, by revising paragraph (4) as follows:

"(4) 'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' mean and include any person employed not less than half time in a professionally certificated capacity or position in the public school systems of this state. The terms also mean and include ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' also mean~~ librarians and other personnel employed not less than 30 hours per week by regional and county libraries;~~. 'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' also mean~~ personnel employed by the high school program of Georgia Military College.~~;~~ and ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' also mean~~ any professionally certificated person who has acquired ten years or more of creditable service and who is being paid retirement benefits by the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, Chapter 3 of Title 47, or by any other public school teacher retirement system in this state. Such terms shall ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee'~~ also mean and include any person employed not less than half time and compensated in a professionally certificated capacity or position in a charter school in this state established pursuant to either Article 31 or Article 31A of this chapter if such charter school elects to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart upon initial approval of its charter or, if such charter school is an existing charter school, ~~elects~~ upon renewal of its charter, upon notice by the health insurance plan provided in this part, or upon the expiration of its current health care plan ~~or by no later than December 31, 2009, to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart~~. Such terms ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee'~~ shall not be deemed to include any emergency or temporary employee. Notwithstanding this definition or any other provision of this subpart, the board may, by regulation, make available to employees who work 17 1/2 hours or more per week such benefits as are required to be made available to such employees by regulations of the United States Internal Revenue Service or any other federal authority."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-910, relating to definitions regarding health insurance plan for public school employees, by revising paragraph (3) as follows:

"(3) 'Public school employee' means an 'employee' as defined in paragraph (20) of

Code Section 47-4-2. Such term ~~'Public school employee'~~ also means and includes classroom aides, paraprofessionals, and noncertified administrative and clerical personnel. It is specifically provided, however, that ~~the~~ such term ~~'public school employee'~~ shall not include any emergency or temporary employee or any other employee who works in a position otherwise covered by such term less than 60 percent of the time required to carry out the duties of such position. Such term also means and includes ~~'Public school employee' also means~~ any person, other than an employee in a professionally certificated capacity or position, employed not less than half time and compensated in a charter school in this state established pursuant to either Article 31 or Article 31A of ~~Chapter 2 of Title 20~~ this chapter if such charter school elects to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart upon initial approval of its charter or, if such charter school is an existing charter school, ~~elects~~ upon renewal of its charter, upon notice by the health insurance plan provided in this part, or upon the expiration of its current health care plan ~~to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart~~. Notwithstanding this definition or any other provision of this subpart, the board may, by regulation, make available to employees who work 17 1/2 hours or more per week such benefits as are required to be made available to such employees by regulations of the United States Internal Revenue Service or any other federal authority."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-2068.1, relating to charter school funding, by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) In addition to the earnings set out in subsection (b) of this Code section, local revenue shall be allocated to a local charter school on the same basis as for any local school in the local school system. In the case of a start-up charter school, local revenue earnings shall be calculated as follows:

(1) Determine the total amount of state and local five mill share funds earned by students enrolled in the local start-up charter school as calculated by the Quality Basic Education Formula pursuant to Part 4 of Article 6 of this chapter including any funds for psychologists and school social workers but excluding 5 percent of system-wide funds for central administration and excluding any categorical grants not applicable to the charter school;

(2) Determine the total amount of state and local five mill share funds earned by all students in the public schools of the local school system, including any charter schools that receive local revenue, as calculated by the Quality Basic Education Formula but excluding categorical grants and other non-QBE formula grants;

(3) Divide the amount obtained in paragraph (1) of this subsection by the amount obtained in paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(4) Multiply the quotient obtained in paragraph (3) of this subsection by the school system's local revenue.

The product obtained in paragraph (4) of this subsection shall be the amount of local funds to be distributed to the local start-up charter school by the local board; provided,

however, that nothing in this subsection shall preclude a charter petitioner and a local board of education from specifying in the charter a greater amount of local funds to be provided by the local board to the local start-up charter school if agreed upon by all parties to the charter. Local funds so earned shall be distributed to the local start-up charter school by the local board. Where feasible and where services are provided, funds for construction projects shall also be distributed to the local start-up charter school as earned. In all other fiscal matters, including applicable federal allotments, the local board shall treat the local start-up charter school no less favorably than other local schools located within the applicable school system and shall calculate and distribute the funding for the start-up charter school on the basis of its actual or projected enrollment in the current school year according to an enrollment counting procedure or projection method stipulated in the terms of the charter. ~~The Department of Education shall implement procedures that ensure that each local charter school receives from its local school system the~~ The local school system shall distribute to each local charter school the proportionate amount of federal funds for which such local charter school is eligible under each federal program, including, but not limited to, funds earned pursuant to Title I, Title II, and Title III of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act and pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act~~. The local school system shall distribute funds to a local start-up charter school~~; provided, however, that ~~by agreement between the local school system and the local start-up charter school, the proportionate amount of federal funds for which the local start-up charter school is eligible may be provided through the provision of in-kind services by the local school system~~ a local charter school and a local board of education may mutually collaborate and agree upon specific ways for some or all of the charter school's proportionate amount of federal funds to be provided by the local school system through in-kind services, with the terms of such mutual agreement to be included in the charter. Local charter schools shall use any federal funds received pursuant to this subsection for the purposes of the federal program for which they were earned."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-2068.2, relating to facilities grants for charter schools, purposes for which grants may be used, upkeep of charter school property, and availability of unused facilities, by revising subsection (h) as follows:

"(h)(1) Each local board of education shall make educational facilities, as defined in Code Section 20-2-260, available for use by local charter schools or provide a facility stipend to each local charter school to offset costs related to educational facilities. The amount of such stipend shall be calculated on an annual basis by multiplying the number of students enrolled in the local charter school by the local school system's average per student state portion of capital outlay funding provided pursuant to Code Section 20-2-260; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall preclude a local board of education from providing a facility stipend that exceeds the amount calculated pursuant to this paragraph. ~~As used in this subsection, the term 'unused facilities' means real property of a local board of education, including educational~~

~~facilities, as defined in Code Section 20-2-260, which have not been used by the local board of education for the previous two years and which are not included in the local school system's five-year educational facilities plan.~~

(2) ~~Each local board of education shall make its unused facilities available to local charter schools.~~ The terms of ~~the~~ a local charter school's use of ~~such~~ a facility ~~by the charter school~~ owned by a local board of education shall be subject to negotiation between the local board and the local charter school and shall be memorialized as a separate agreement. A local charter school that is allowed to use such a facility under such an agreement shall not sell or dispose of any interest in such property without the written permission of the local board. A local charter school may not be charged a rental or leasing fee for the existing facility or for property normally used by the public school which became the local charter school. A local charter school that receives property from a local board may not sell or dispose of such property without the written permission of the local board.

~~(3) Prior to denying the use by a local charter school of an unused facility, the local charter school shall have the right to a hearing before the local board of education in accordance with Code Section 20-2-1160, including the right to appeal an adverse local board decision.~~"

**SECTION 6.**

(a) This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Code Section 20-2-165.1, as amended by this Act, shall become effective on July 1, 2022.

**SECTION 7.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Parent of the 42nd, Payne of the 54th and Albers of the 56th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the Committee Substitute to SB 59 (LC 49 0410S) by deleting lines 144 to 148 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

"amount of such stipend shall be calculated on an annual basis and shall equal an amount that is 20 percent of the local charter school's prior year facility costs; provided, however, that the facility stipend for a local charter school does not exceed $25,000.00 per year."

*By deleting from line 149 the following:*

"pursuant to this paragraph."

*By inserting after line 164 the following:*

"(3) A local charter school that declines the use of a facility offered by a local board of education shall not be eligible to receive a facility stipend as provided for in this

subsection; provided, however, that the facility is offered by the local board of education to the local charter school at no cost, is maintained by the local school system, is located within the local charter school's designated geographic attendance zone, and accommodates the maximum enrollment number designated in the charter contract; and, provided further, that the local charter school has not purchased a facility as of July 1, 2021."

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Parent amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 38, nays 15.

SB 59, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been

placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 42. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harbison of the 15th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," so as to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 42 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 42, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 42. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harbison of the 15th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," so as to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 42:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," so as to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide that local school systems shall publish certain student disciplinary and placement action information for ready access by parents and other community members; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related

matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," is amended by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c)(1) Performance on the indicators of quality of learning, financial efficiency, school climate, and any other indicators the office adopts shall be compared to state standards, progress on improved student achievement, and comparable performance. The standards for comparison shall be established by the office as provided in Code Section 20-14-31, in coordination with the Department of Education. Data and information regarding the standards shall be included in the annual report provided for in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-14-27. Financial efficiency may include an analysis of how federal and state funds spent by local school systems impact student achievement and school improvement, and components used to determine financial efficiency may include actual achievement, resource efficiency, and student participation in standardized testing. School climate determinations may utilize data from student health surveys~~, data on environmental and behavior indicators, data on student behavioral and school-based reactions,~~ and teacher and parent survey instruments; provided, however, that school climate determinations shall not include student discipline data. Financial efficiency and school climate shall have one of the following star ratings based upon the factors included in this subsection, as further defined by rules and regulations of the office:

~~(1)~~(A) '5-star' schools ranked excellent according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate;

~~(2)~~(B) '4-star' schools ranked above average according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate;

~~(3)~~(C) '3-star' schools ranked average according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate;

~~(4)~~(D) '2-star' schools ranked below satisfactory according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate; or

~~(5)~~(E) '1-star' schools ranked unsatisfactory according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate.

(2) Data and information regarding student discipline shall be included in the annual report provided for in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-14-27.

(3) Each local school system shall publish electronically the reported information regarding student disciplinary and placement actions provided for in subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 20-2-740 and shall furnish a print copy of the specific information as reported for a particular school to any requester at no charge in a format that can be easily understood by parents and other members of the community who are

not educators, and such publication shall include such reported information for each school in the local school system.

(4) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to relieve any school system or school administrator or personnel from any obligation to report a violation of a code of student conduct as provided for by law or policy."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 42 (LC 49 0396S) by inserting* "on its website" *on line 43 after* "publish electronically".

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Mullis amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 39, nays 12.

SB 42, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 66. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 and Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to education and revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to authorize a nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for the expiration of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation's authority to promote public-private partnerships and to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for grant criteria; to provide for the dissolution of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation; to revise definitions; to provide for an income tax credit for qualified education donations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 66 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 66, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 66. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 and Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to education and revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to authorize a nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for the expiration of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation's authority to promote public-private partnerships and to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for grant criteria; to provide for the dissolution of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation; to revise definitions; to provide for an income tax credit for qualified education

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

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 66:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 20 and Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education and revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to authorize a nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for the expiration of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation's authority to promote public-private partnerships and to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for grant criteria; to provide for the dissolution of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation; to revise definitions; to provide for an income tax credit for qualified education donations; to provide for conditions and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended in Article 1 of Chapter 2, relating to the State Board of Education, by revising Code Section 20-2-14.1, relating to the Georgia Foundation for Public Education, authorization to accept transfers of certain property held in trust by State Board of Education, authorization for nonprofit corporation, and annual report, as follows:

"20-2-14.1.

(a) There is established the Georgia Foundation for Public Education existing as a public corporation and instrumentality of the state, exclusively limited to the following charitable and public purposes and powers:

(1) To solicit and accept contributions of money and in-kind contributions of services and property for the purpose of supporting educational excellence in Georgia;

(2) To solicit and accept contributions of money and in-kind contributions of services and property for the purpose of supporting educational excellence at Georgia Academy for the Blind, Georgia School for the Deaf, and Atlanta Area School for the Deaf;

(3) To accept transfer of any donation, gift, devise, or bequest of real, personal, or mixed property of any kind and character held in trust by the State Board of Education to manage and otherwise administer. This paragraph shall apply to any donation, gift, devise, or bequest of real, personal, or mixed property of any kind and character held in trust by the state board pursuant to Article VIII, Section II, Paragraph I(c) of the Georgia Constitution, subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-14, or Code Section 20-2-18;

(4) To sell and dispose of contributed property and securities in accordance with the prudent person rule;

(5) To make and disburse contributions to the department and others for such purposes;

(6) To contract and be contracted with for purposes of the foundation; and

(7) To seek recognition of tax exempt status by the United States Internal Revenue Service and to seek confirmation concerning the deductibility of contributions.

(b) The Georgia Foundation for Public Education shall be attached to the department for administrative purposes. The Attorney General shall be the attorney for the foundation. The State School Superintendent may solicit and accept contributions from the foundation. The department may cooperate and contract with the foundation for their mutual benefit and authorize others to do so. Upon any dissolution of the foundation, its assets shall devolve in trust to the State Board of Education or its successor for use only for the benefit of the department, ~~and~~ the schools listed in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section, and schools that meet the criteria provided in subparagraph (g.1)(1) of this Code section.

(c) The ~~creation~~ incorporation of the foundation and the execution of its corporate purposes shall be in all respects for the benefit of the people of this state and constitute a public and charitable purpose. Further, the foundation performs an essential governmental function in the exercise of the powers conferred upon it by this Code section. Accordingly, the foundation shall not be subject to taxation or assessment in any manner, including without limitation taxation or assessment upon any transaction, income, money, or other property or activity. The exemptions granted by this Code section shall not be extended to any private person or entity.

(d)(1) The foundation shall be governed by a board of directors composed of ~~between~~ at least five ~~and 15~~ members as determined by the State School Superintendent. Members of the board of directors shall be appointed by either the State School Superintendent or the State Board of Education. For every three board members appointed by the State School Superintendent, the State Board of Education may appoint two board members. At least two members of the board of directors appointed by the State Board of Education shall represent the interests of students who are blind or deaf. The chairperson of the Budget and Finance Committee of the State Board of Education, or such committee's successor, shall be an ex officio member of the foundation board of directors. The foundation board of directors shall draft and adopt governance bylaws, subject to approval by the State School Superintendent.

(2) The foundation shall have complete discretion to invest any and all assets as it sees fit in accordance with the prudent person rule, and at no time shall the assets of the foundation be considered assets of the state.

(3) The foundation shall not be subject to state purchasing laws, as contained in Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 or in other provisions of this Code, or required to dispose of property in accordance with Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 50.

(4) The foundation shall be authorized to purchase insurance as provided by Code Section 50-5-16.

(5) The foundation shall have the authority to roll over any unused funds into the next

fiscal year.

(e) The foundation's operations shall not be subject to Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.'

(f) The foundation shall be deemed to be a charitable organization for purposes of voluntary contributions from state employees pursuant to Article 3 of Chapter 20 of Title 45.

(g)(1) The foundation shall have the power and authority to incorporate a nonprofit corporation that could qualify as a public foundation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to aid the foundation in carrying out any of its powers and in accomplishing any of its purposes. Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this power shall be ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 14, the 'Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code,' and the Secretary of State shall be authorized to accept such filing.

(2) Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section shall be subject to the following provisions:

~~(1)~~(A) In accordance with the Constitution of Georgia, no governmental functions or regulatory powers shall be conducted by any such nonprofit corporation;

~~(2)~~(B) Upon dissolution of any such nonprofit corporation incorporated by the foundation, any assets shall revert to the foundation or to any successor to the foundation or, failing such succession, to the State of Georgia;

~~(3)~~(C) As used in this paragraph, the term 'direct employee costs' means salary, benefits, and travel expenses. To avoid the appearance of undue influence on regulatory functions by donors, no more than a combined total of 10 percent of donations to any such nonprofit corporation from private sources, or from taxpayers pursuant to Code Section 48-7-29.21, shall be used for direct employee costs of the foundation;

~~(4)~~(D) Any such nonprofit corporation shall be subject to all laws relating to open meetings and the inspection of public records;

~~(5)~~(E) The foundation shall not be liable for the action or omission to act of any such nonprofit corporation;

~~(6)~~(F) No debts, bonds, notes, or other obligations incurred by any such nonprofit corporation shall constitute an indebtedness or obligation of the State of Georgia nor shall any act of any such nonprofit corporation constitute or result in the creation of an indebtedness of the state. No holder or holders of any such bonds, notes, or other obligations shall ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the state nor to enforce the payment thereof against the state; and

~~(7)~~(G) Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section shall not acquire or hold a fee simple interest in real property by any method, including but not limited to gift, purchase, condemnation, devise, court order, and exchange.

(g.1)(1) Effective January 1, 2022, a nonprofit corporation incorporated by the foundation pursuant to this Code section shall be authorized to receive donations from taxpayers pursuant to Code Section 48-7-29.21 for the purpose of awarding grants to

public schools for the implementation of academic and organizational innovations to improve student achievement, with priority given to schools that have performed in the lowest 5 percent of schools in this state identified in accordance with the state-wide accountability system established in the state plan pursuant to the federal Every Student Succeeds Act, and for the dissemination of information regarding successful innovations to other public schools in this state. Funds received by the nonprofit corporation for such purpose may be awarded through a competitive grant process administered by the foundation. The criteria for awarding such grants shall include the potential to which the innovation is likely to result in the proposed improvement, the potential for widespread adoption of such innovation by other public schools in the state, the quality of the proposed project design, the reasonableness of the costs involved in conducting the project, and such other criteria which the foundation may deem appropriate and necessary. The General Assembly may appropriate funds for purposes of this nonprofit corporation beginning in Fiscal Year 2022.

(2) Such nonprofit corporation shall report to the Department of Revenue, on a form provided by the Department of Revenue, by January 12 of each tax year the following:

(A) The total number and dollar value of donations and tax credits approved. Individual contributions shall include contributions made by those filing income tax returns as a single individual or head of household and those filing joint returns;

(B) The total number and dollar value of corporate donations and tax credits approved;

(C) The total number and dollar value of grants awarded to public schools; and

(D) A list of donors, including the dollar value of each donation and the dollar value of each approved tax credit.

The Department of Revenue shall post on its website the information received pursuant to subparagraphs (A) through (C) of this paragraph.

(3) Except for the information reported pursuant to subparagraphs (A) through (C) of paragraph (2) of this subsection, all information or reports provided by this nonprofit corporation to the Department of Revenue shall be confidential taxpayer information, governed by Code Sections 48-2-15, 48-7-60, and 48-7-61, whether it relates to the donor or the nonprofit corporation.

(h)(1) Members of the board of directors of the foundation may also serve on the board of any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section without regard to the prohibition set forth in Code Section 45-10-23 or any other similar prohibition.

(2) Members and former members of the board of directors for the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation, incorporated pursuant to Code Section 20-14-26.1, may be considered by the foundation for membership on the board of directors of the nonprofit corporation provided for in subsection (g.1) of this Code section.

(i) Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section shall make and provide an annual report ~~showing the~~ that shall, except as otherwise provided in subsection (g.1) of this Code section, show the identity of all donors and the amount each person or entity donated as well as all expenditures or other disposal of money or

property donated. A copy of such annual report shall be provided to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Education and Youth Committee."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 14, relating to the Office of Student Achievement, by revising Code Section 20-14-26.1, relating to authority to incorporate nonprofit corporation as public foundation, requirements, Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation, and reporting, as effective until December 31, 2023, as follows:

"(a) The office shall have the power and authority to incorporate a nonprofit corporation that could qualify as a public foundation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code to aid the office in carrying out any of its powers and in accomplishing any of its purposes. Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this power shall be ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to Chapter 3 of Title 14, the 'Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code,' and the Secretary of State shall be authorized to accept such filing.

(b) Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section shall be subject to the following provisions:

(1) In accordance with the Constitution of Georgia, no governmental functions or regulatory powers shall be conducted by any such nonprofit corporation;

(2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of subsection (b.1) of this Code section, upon ~~Upon~~ dissolution of any such nonprofit corporation incorporated by the office, any assets shall revert to the office or to any successor to the office or, failing such succession, to the State of Georgia;

(3) As used in this paragraph, the term 'direct employee costs' means salary, benefits, and travel expenses. To avoid the appearance of undue influence on regulatory functions by donors, no donations to any such nonprofit corporation from private sources shall be used for direct employee costs of the office;

(4) Any such nonprofit corporation shall be subject to all laws relating to open meetings and the inspection of public records;

(5) The office shall not be liable for the action or omission to act of any such nonprofit corporation;

(6) No debts, bonds, notes, or other obligations incurred by any such nonprofit corporation shall constitute an indebtedness or obligation of the State of Georgia nor shall any act of any such nonprofit corporation constitute or result in the creation of an indebtedness of the state. No holder or holders of any such bonds, notes, or other obligations shall ever have the right to compel any exercise of the taxing power of the state nor to enforce the payment thereof against the state; and

(7) Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section shall not acquire or hold a fee simple interest in real property by any method, including but not limited to gift, purchase, condemnation, devise, court order, and exchange.

(b.1)(1) Pursuant to this Code section, the office may ~~establish~~ incorporate a nonprofit corporation to be designated as the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation to

promote ~~Public-Private Partnerships~~ public-private partnerships between businesses, nonprofit organizations, institutions of higher education, local school systems, and public schools, for the purpose of improving student achievement. Funds received by the foundation may be awarded through a competitive grant process administered by the office. The General Assembly may appropriate funds for purposes of this foundation beginning in Fiscal Year 2015.

(2)(A) Such foundation shall also be authorized to receive donations from taxpayers pursuant to Code Section 48-7-29.21 for the purpose of awarding grants to public schools for the implementation of academic and organizational innovations to improve student achievement, with priority given to schools that have performed in the lowest 5 percent of schools in this state identified in accordance with the state-wide accountability system established in the state plan pursuant to the federal Every Student Succeeds Act, and for the dissemination of information regarding successful innovations to other public schools in this state. Funds received by the foundation for such purpose may be awarded through a competitive grant process administered by the office. The criteria for awarding such grants shall include the potential to which the innovation is likely to result in the proposed improvement, the potential for widespread adoption of such innovation by other public schools in the state, the quality of the proposed project design, the reasonableness of the costs involved in conducting the project, and such other criteria which the office may deem appropriate and necessary. The foundation shall not be authorized to withhold any funds to cover costs incurred in administering the grant process.

(B) The foundation shall report to the Department of Revenue, on a form provided by the Department of Revenue, by January 12 of each tax year the following:

(i) The total number and dollar value of donations and tax credits approved. Individual contributions shall include contributions made by those filing income tax returns as a single individual or head of household and those filing joint returns;

(ii) The total number and dollar value of corporate donations and tax credits approved;

(iii) The total number and dollar value of grants awarded to public schools; and

(iv) A list of donors, including the dollar value of each donation and the dollar value of each approved tax credit.

The Department of Revenue shall post on its website the information received pursuant to divisions (i) through (iii) of this subparagraph.

(C) Except for the information reported pursuant to divisions (i) through (iii) of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, all information or reports provided by the foundation to the Department of Revenue shall be confidential taxpayer information, governed by Code Sections 48-2-15, 48-7-60, and 48-7-61, whether it relates to the donor or the foundation.

(3) The rights and authority granted in paragraph (1) and subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of this subsection shall expire at 12:00 Midnight on December 31, 2021.

(4) The office shall take appropriate lawful steps to accomplish the dissolution of the foundation after December 31, 2021. Upon dissolution of the foundation, any assets

derived from the receipt of taxpayer donations pursuant to subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of this subsection shall revert to the nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education as provided for in subsection (g.1) of Code Section 20-2-14.1, or, failing such succession, to the State of Georgia.

(c) Any nonprofit corporation ~~created~~ incorporated pursuant to this Code section shall make public and provide an annual report showing the identity of all donors and the amount each person or entity donated as well as all expenditures or other disposal of money or property donated, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of subsection (b.1) of this Code section. Such report shall be provided to the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Education and the Senate Education and Youth Committee. Any such nonprofit corporation shall also provide such persons with a copy of all corporate filings with the federal Internal Revenue Service."

**SECTION 3.**

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended by revising subsections (a), (d), (f), and (g) of Code Section 48-7-29.21, relating to tax credits for qualified education donations, as follows:

"(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Qualified education donation' means a donation made by a taxpayer to the nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education as provided for in subsection (g.1) of Code Section 20-2-14.1 or, prior to January 1, 2022, to the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation ~~for the purpose of awarding grants to public schools in this state~~ incorporated pursuant to ~~paragraph (2) of~~ subsection (b.1) of Code Section 20-14-26.1 for the purpose of awarding grants to public schools in this state.

(2) 'Recipient' ~~'Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation' or 'foundation'~~ means the nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education as provided for in subsection (g.1) of Code Section 20-2-14.1 or the ~~foundation established~~ Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation incorporated pursuant to subsection (b.1) of Code Section 20-14-26.1."

"(d)(1) The tax credit shall not be allowed if the taxpayer designates the taxpayer's qualified education donation for the direct benefit of any particular school or program which the taxpayer's child or children attend.

(2) In soliciting donations, the ~~foundation~~ recipient shall not represent that, in exchange for donating to ~~the foundation~~ such recipient, the school a taxpayer's child or children attend shall receive a grant pursuant to subsection (g.1) of Code Section 20-2-14.1 or paragraph (2) of subsection (b.1) of Code Section 20-14-26.1."

"(f)(1) In no event shall the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this Code section exceed $5 million per tax year.

(2) The commissioner shall allow the tax credits on a first come, first served basis.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the ~~foundation~~ recipient shall notify a potential donor of the requirements of this Code section. Before making a

donation to the ~~foundation~~ recipient, the taxpayer shall electronically notify the department, in a manner specified by the department, of the total amount of donations that the taxpayer intends to make to the ~~foundation~~ recipient. The commissioner shall preapprove or deny the requested amount within 30 days after receiving the request from the taxpayer and shall provide notice to the taxpayer and the ~~foundation~~ recipient of such preapproval or denial which shall not require any signed release or notarized approval by the taxpayer. In order to receive a tax credit under this Code section, the taxpayer shall make the donation to the ~~foundation~~ recipient within 60 days after receiving notice from the department that the requested amount was preapproved. If the taxpayer does not comply with this paragraph, the commissioner shall not include this preapproved donation amount when calculating the limit prescribed in paragraph (1) of this subsection. The department shall establish a web based donation approval process to implement this subsection.

(4) Preapproval of donations by the commissioner shall be based solely on the availability of tax credits subject to the aggregate total limit established under paragraph (1) of this subsection. The department shall maintain an ongoing, current list on its website of the amount of tax credits available under this Code section.

(g) In order for the taxpayer to claim a tax credit under this Code section, a confirmation of receipt of donation issued by the ~~foundation~~ recipient shall be attached to the taxpayer's income tax return. However, in the event the taxpayer files an electronic return, such confirmation shall only be required to be electronically attached to the return if the Internal Revenue Service allows such attachments when the return is transmitted to the department. In the event the taxpayer files an electronic return and such confirmation is not attached because the Internal Revenue Service does not, at the time of such electronic filing, allow electronic attachments to the Georgia return, such confirmation shall be maintained by the taxpayer and made available upon request by the commissioner. The confirmation of receipt of donation shall contain the taxpayer's name, address, tax identification number, the amount of the donation, the date of the donation, and the amount of the credit."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 2.

SB 66, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 195 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 195, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to

revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs offered the following substitute to SB 195:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, is amended by revising paragraph (10) as follows:

"(10)(A) 'Process' or '~~processing~~' 'processing,' except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, means converting an agricultural commodity into a legally marketable form.

(B) ~~This~~ Such term ~~does~~ shall not include:

(i) ~~merely~~ Merely placing raw or dried material into another container or packaging raw or dried material for resale; or

(ii) Traditional farming practices such as those commonly known as drying, shucking and bucking, storing, trimming, and curing."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 195, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Summers of the 13th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 222. By Senators Summers of the 13th, Walker III of the 20th, Sims of the 12th, Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state symbols, so as to designate the pecan as the official state nut; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 222 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 222, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 222. By Senators Summers of the 13th, Walker III of the 20th, Sims of the 12th, Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state symbols, so as to designate the pecan as the official state nut; to provide for related matters; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Harbin of the 16th, Mullis of the 53rd, Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th, Walker III of the 20th and others offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SB 222 (LC 50 0190) by striking the word "pecan" on line 34 and placing in lieu thereof "the senator from the 13th."

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Summers of the 13th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| N Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 5, nays 45, and the amendment was lost.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 222, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Ginn of the 47th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 95. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 95 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 95, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 95. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

SB 95, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/3/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 95. Had I been

present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Jackson of the 41st

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 183. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Brass of the 28th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sheriffs, so as to revise qualification requirements for the office of sheriff; to require certification as a peace officer at the time of qualifying as a candidate for sheriff; to require such candidate to be in good standing with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council; to provide for a confirming affidavit; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 183 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 183, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 183. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Brass of the 28th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sheriffs, so as to revise qualification requirements for the office of sheriff; to require certification as a peace officer at the time of qualifying as a candidate for sheriff; to require such candidate to be in good standing with the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council; to provide for a confirming affidavit; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 3.

SB 183, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 187. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd, Walker III of the 20th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-519.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE scholarship, so as to establish a procedure for students with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act to apply for a waiver from certain HOPE scholarship and grant eligibility requirements; to provide for responsibilities of the Georgia Student Finance Commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 187 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 187, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 187. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd, Walker III of the 20th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-519.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE scholarship, so as to establish a procedure for students with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act to apply for a waiver from certain HOPE scholarship and grant eligibility requirements; to provide for responsibilities of the Georgia Student Finance Commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 187, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 3, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 168. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 168 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 168, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 168. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 168:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

relating to meetings, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 14-2-701, relating to annual meeting, as follows:

"(b)(1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, annual ~~Annual~~ shareholders' meetings may be held in or out of this state at the place stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. If no place is stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws, annual shareholders' meetings shall be held at the corporation's principal office.

(2) Unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws provide otherwise, the board of directors may determine that an annual shareholders' meeting be held wholly or partially by means of remote communication as authorized by Code Section 14-2-708."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 14-2-702, relating to special meeting, as follows:

"(c)(1) Except as provided for under paragraph (2) of this subsection, special ~~Special~~ shareholders' meetings may be held in or out of this state at the place stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. If no place is stated or fixed in accordance with the bylaws, special shareholders' meetings shall be held at the corporation's principal office.

(2) Unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws provide otherwise, the board of directors may determine that a special shareholders' meeting be held wholly or partially by means of remote communication as authorized by Code Section 14-2-708."

**SECTION 3.**

Said part is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"14-2-708.

When authorized by the board of directors, and subject to such guidelines and procedures as the board of directors may adopt, shareholders and holders of proxies of any class or series designated by the board of directors not physically present at a meeting of shareholders may, by means of remote communication:

(1) Participate in a meeting of shareholders; and

(2) Be deemed present in person and vote at a meeting of shareholders, whether such meeting is held at a designated place or held solely by means of remote communication, provided that:

(A) The corporation implements reasonable procedures to verify that each person deemed present and permitted to vote at the meeting by means of remote communication is a shareholder or holder of a proxy;

(B) The corporation implements reasonable procedures to provide such shareholders and holders of proxies a reasonable opportunity to participate in the meeting and to vote on matters submitted to such shareholders and holders of proxies, including, but not limited to, an opportunity to read or hear the proceedings

of the meeting substantially concurrently with such proceedings; and
(C) When any shareholder or holder of a proxy votes or takes other action at the meeting by means of remote communication, a record of such vote or other action shall be maintained by the corporation."

**SECTION 4.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Walker III of the 20th and Miller of the 49th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to SB 168 (LC 41 3016S) by inserting* "to provide for an effective date;" *after* "matters;" *on line 5.*

*By replacing line 51 with the following:*
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Walker III amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 168, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that the committee report filed earlier this legislative day by the Committee on Education and Youth be amended to reflect that the recommendation on SB 106 be Do Pass by Substitute (LC 49 0494S). There was no objection and the consent was granted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 10:00 a.m. Friday, March 5, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 4:53 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Friday, March 5, 2021
Twenty-seventh Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

Date: March 4, 2021

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 233.

Signed: /s/ Greg Dolezal District: 27th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Burt Jones of the 25th
(Primary Author)

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 32. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Nix of the 69th, Hawkins of the 27th, Greene of the 151st, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 94. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, England of the 116th, Reeves of the 34th, Mathiak of the 73rd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail; to provide for the crime of porch piracy; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 248. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Corbett of the 174th, Wilensky of the 79th and Collins of the 68th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-14-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to enforcement of speed limit in school zones with recorded images, civil monetary penalty, and vehicle registration and transfer of title restrictions for failure to pay penalty, so as to authorize a local governing body to apply for a permit to operate a traffic enforcement safety device which enforces the speed limit in a school zone by recorded image; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 303. By Representative Glanton of the 75th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to permit motor vehicle insurance companies to offer a reduction in premium to qualified active duty military service members for motor vehicle insurance policies; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 322. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Reeves of the 34th, Oliver of the 82nd, Hutchinson of the 107th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 15, Title 19, and Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Juvenile Code, domestic relations, and child abuse records, respectively, so as to revise the definition of "sexual exploitation" within the Juvenile Code and concerning child abuse, the reporting of child abuse, and child abuse records; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 334. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Jones of the 25th, Leverett of the 33rd, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 and Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to recording of deeds and other real property transactions and inspection of public records; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 355. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Jones of the 25th, Smith of the 70th, Gaines of the 117th, Burns of the 159th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 6 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Carbon Sequestration Registry, so as to provide for the inclusion of building products in construction on the registry; to provide for definitions; to allow participants in the registry to voluntarily report the utilization of carbon sequestration and embodied carbon results; to provide for an advisory committee; to provide for certified third-party organizations to measure the amount of carbon sequestered from building materials that sequester carbon dioxide; to require the State Forestry Commission to publish a list of certified organizations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 363. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Cooper of the 43rd, Rich of the 97th, Scoggins of the 14th and Leverett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to revise definitions relative to the protection of elder persons; to remove enhanced penalties for certain offenses against persons 65 years of age or older or employees, agents, or volunteers at long-term care facilities; to provide for related

matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 371. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Reeves of the 34th, Greene of the 151st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 24-13-60 of the O.C.G.A., relating to order requiring prisoner's delivery to serve as witness or criminal defendant generally, expenses, and prisoner under death sentence as witness, so as to provide that certain proceedings may be conducted by video conference; to provide for requirements for such proceedings; to authorize judges to order a prisoner's appearance in court; to provide that attorney-client privilege shall be preserved; to provide for the maintenance of certain records; to amend Article 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to Division of Forensic Sciences, so as to provide that employees of the state crime lab or associated laboratories may appear by video teleconference in certain proceedings in court; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 410. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Hitchens of the 161st, Collins of the 68th, Scoggins of the 14th and Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bingo, so as to transfer regulatory authority over bingo from the director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to the Secretary of State; to revise definitions; to provide for transfer of authority and continuity of regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 470. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th, Wiedower of the 119th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of specialized land transactions, so as to provide that no plans are required when units are not designated by physical structures; to provide that no plats are required for subcondominiums; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 477. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Smith of the 70th, Rhodes of the 120th and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-7-29.12 of the

Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for qualified donation of real property, carryover of credit, appraisals, transfer of credit, and penalty, so as to extend the sunset date for applications for the tax credit for qualified donations of real property; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 480. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Jones of the 47th, Carpenter of the 4th, Moore of the 95th, Crowe of the 110th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen liens, so as to provide for the creation, declaration, amendment, notice, and priority of liens for labor, services, or materials performed or furnished by registered interior designers; to provide for definitions; to provide for commencement of actions and limitations on amount of such liens; to provide for rights as to liens of partnerships, corporations, and associations made up of or employing registered interior designers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 497. By Representative Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, correct errors or omissions in, and reenact the statutory portion of said Code, as amended, in furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to repeal portions of said Code, or Acts in amendment thereof, which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional, or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law derived from decisions of the state Supreme Court; to provide for other matters relating to revision, reenactment, and publication of said Code; to provide for effect in event of conflicts; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 511. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, England of the 116th, Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 12, 19, 27, 28, 31, 40, 45, 48, and 49 of the O.C.G.A., relating to conservation and natural resources, domestic relations, game and fish, General Assembly, health, motor vehicles and traffic, public officers and employees, revenue and taxation, and social services, respectively, so as to provide for the establishment or revision of the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund, Solid Waste Trust Fund, Hazardous Waste Trust Fund, State Children's Trust Fund, Wildlife

Endowment Trust Fund, Trauma Care Network Trust Fund, Transportation Trust Fund, Georgia Agricultural Trust Fund, Fireworks Trust Fund, and Georgia Transit Trust Fund as funds within the state treasury; to dedicate the proceeds of certain fees and taxes to such funds as authorized and subject to the conditions imposed by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(r) of the Constitution of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 548. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Reeves of the 34th, Wade of the 9th, Oliver of the 82nd and Dubnik of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 49-5-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons and agencies permitted access to records, so as to provide for reasonable access to records concerning reports of child abuse to the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide for agreements with the Division of Family and Children Services to ensure confidentiality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 553. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Burchett of the 176th, Smith of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative procedure, so as to provide for participation in hearings by electronic communications; to provide for electronic filing of documents; to provide for electronic service; to provide for the electronic availability or transfer of the record; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 574. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Cameron of the 1st, Hill of the 3rd, Houston of the 170th, Jenkins of the 132nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 4-11-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, so as to provide for a Companion Local Government Animal Trust Fund for reimbursement of impoundment expenses incurred by local governments; to provide for annual reporting; to provide for promulgation of regulations; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for an effective date and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 586. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Corbett of the 174th, Houston of the 170th, Blackmon of the 146th, Rich of the 97th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding sales and use taxes, so as to extend the sunset date for the exemption for projects of regional significance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 587. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Reeves of the 34th, Blackmon of the 146th, Jasperse of the 11th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for a tax credit for medical equipment and supplies manufacturers and pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturers; to amend Code Section 33-1-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Agribusiness and Rural Jobs Act," so as to provide for a second round of funding and period for applications; to increase an application fee and provide for an annual maintenance fee; change certain reporting requirements; to revise and provide for definitions; to amend Code Section 48-7-40.34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for Class III railroads and reporting, so as to extend an income tax credit for expenditures on the maintenance of railroad track owned or leased by Class III railroads; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 588. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Burns of the 159th, Hatchett of the 150th, Smyre of the 135th, Ballinger of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 of the O.C.G.A., relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to amend Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for an exemption to state sales and use tax; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the O.C.G.A., relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; to provide for related matters; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 593. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Martin

of the 49th, Knight of the 130th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income tax, so as to increase the amount of the standard deduction from state taxable income for individuals; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 635. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Wilensky of the 79th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to courts, so as to provide that each judge of the superior court, state court, and probate court and each magistrate shall have authority to perform any lawful judicial act regardless of where he or she is physically located at the time of such act; to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to provide for the issuance of arrest warrants by a judge regardless of where such judge is physically located; to revise standards for holding a court of inquiry; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, so as to revise when superior courts are authorized to use alternative locations; to provide for criteria; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolution of the House:

HR 130. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Jones of the 25th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Wade of the 9th and Gilligan of the 24th:

A RESOLUTION ratifying the action of the Board of Community Affairs approving of the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 279. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Lucas of the 26th, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code

of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, so as to provide for placement of a monument to honor the Original 33; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

SB 280. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create the board of commissioners of Lumpkin County, approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4272), as amended, so as to revise the qualifications for the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SR 190. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Lucas of the 26th, Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION urging Congress to allow individuals to retain the right to use their image and likeness and shield them from copyright infringement; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 192. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Jackson of the 2nd, Halpern of the 39th and Anavitarte of the 31st:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Age of Mandatory Education Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 193. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Lucas of the 26th and Walker III of the 20th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Mr. J.A. "Big Jim" Walters and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 32. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Nix of the 69th, Hawkins of the 27th,

Greene of the 151st, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 94. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, England of the 116th, Reeves of the 34th, Mathiak of the 73rd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail; to provide for the crime of porch piracy; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 248. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Corbett of the 174th, Wilensky of the 79th and Collins of the 68th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-14-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to enforcement of speed limit in school zones with recorded images, civil monetary penalty, and vehicle registration and transfer of title restrictions for failure to pay penalty, so as to authorize a local governing body to apply for a permit to operate a traffic enforcement safety device which enforces the speed limit in a school zone by recorded image; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 303. By Representative Glanton of the 75th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to permit motor vehicle insurance

companies to offer a reduction in premium to qualified active duty military service members for motor vehicle insurance policies; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 322. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Reeves of the 34th, Oliver of the 82nd, Hutchinson of the 107th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 15, Title 19, and Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Juvenile Code, domestic relations, and child abuse records, respectively, so as to revise the definition of "sexual exploitation" within the Juvenile Code and concerning child abuse, the reporting of child abuse, and child abuse records; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 334. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Jones of the 25th, Leverett of the 33rd, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 and Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to recording of deeds and other real property transactions and inspection of public records; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 355. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Jones of the 25th, Smith of the 70th, Gaines of the 117th, Burns of the 159th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 6 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Carbon Sequestration Registry, so as to provide for the inclusion of building products in construction on the registry; to provide for definitions; to allow participants in the registry to voluntarily report the utilization of carbon sequestration and embodied carbon results; to provide for an advisory committee; to provide for

certified third-party organizations to measure the amount of carbon sequestered from building materials that sequester carbon dioxide; to require the State Forestry Commission to publish a list of certified organizations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

HB 363. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Cooper of the 43rd, Rich of the 97th, Scoggins of the 14th and Leverett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to revise definitions relative to the protection of elder persons; to remove enhanced penalties for certain offenses against persons 65 years of age or older or employees, agents, or volunteers at long-term care facilities; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 371. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Reeves of the 34th, Greene of the 151st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 24-13-60 of the O.C.G.A., relating to order requiring prisoner's delivery to serve as witness or criminal defendant generally, expenses, and prisoner under death sentence as witness, so as to provide that certain proceedings may be conducted by video conference; to provide for requirements for such proceedings; to authorize judges to order a prisoner's appearance in court; to provide that attorney-client privilege shall be preserved; to provide for the maintenance of certain records; to amend Article 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to Division of Forensic Sciences, so as to provide that employees of the state crime lab or associated laboratories may appear by video teleconference in certain proceedings in court; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 410. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Hitchens of the 161st, Collins of the 68th, Scoggins of the 14th and Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bingo, so as to transfer regulatory authority over bingo from the director of the Georgia Bureau of

Investigation to the Secretary of State; to revise definitions; to provide for transfer of authority and continuity of regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 470. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th, Wiedower of the 119th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of specialized land transactions, so as to provide that no plans are required when units are not designated by physical structures; to provide that no plats are required for subcondominiums; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 477. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Smith of the 70th, Rhodes of the 120th and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-7-29.12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for qualified donation of real property, carryover of credit, appraisals, transfer of credit, and penalty, so as to extend the sunset date for applications for the tax credit for qualified donations of real property; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 480. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Jones of the 47th, Carpenter of the 4th, Moore of the 95th, Crowe of the 110th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen liens, so as to provide for the creation, declaration, amendment, notice, and priority of liens for labor, services, or materials performed or furnished by registered interior designers; to provide for definitions; to provide for commencement of actions and limitations on amount of such liens; to provide for rights as to liens of partnerships, corporations, and associations made up of or employing registered interior designers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 497. By Representative Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, correct errors or omissions in, and reenact the statutory portion of said Code, as amended, in furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to repeal portions of said Code, or Acts in amendment thereof, which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional, or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law derived from decisions of the state Supreme Court; to provide for other matters relating to revision, reenactment, and publication of said Code; to provide for effect in event of conflicts; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 511. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, England of the 116th, Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 12, 19, 27, 28, 31, 40, 45, 48, and 49 of the O.C.G.A., relating to conservation and natural resources, domestic relations, game and fish, General Assembly, health, motor vehicles and traffic, public officers and employees, revenue and taxation, and social services, respectively, so as to provide for the establishment or revision of the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund, Solid Waste Trust Fund, Hazardous Waste Trust Fund, State Children's Trust Fund, Wildlife Endowment Trust Fund, Trauma Care Network Trust Fund, Transportation Trust Fund, Georgia Agricultural Trust Fund, Fireworks Trust Fund, and Georgia Transit Trust Fund as funds within the state treasury; to dedicate the proceeds of certain fees and taxes to such funds as authorized and subject to the conditions imposed by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(r) of the Constitution of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 548. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Reeves of the 34th, Wade of the 9th, Oliver of the 82nd and Dubnik of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 49-5-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons and agencies permitted access to records, so as to provide for reasonable access to records concerning reports of child abuse to the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide for agreements with the Division of Family and Children Services to ensure confidentiality; to

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

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 553. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Burchett of the 176th, Smith of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative procedure, so as to provide for participation in hearings by electronic communications; to provide for electronic filing of documents; to provide for electronic service; to provide for the electronic availability or transfer of the record; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 574. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Cameron of the 1st, Hill of the 3rd, Houston of the 170th, Jenkins of the 132nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 4-11-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, so as to provide for a Companion Local Government Animal Trust Fund for reimbursement of impoundment expenses incurred by local governments; to provide for annual reporting; to provide for promulgation of regulations; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for an effective date and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 586. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Corbett of the 174th, Houston of the 170th, Blackmon of the 146th, Rich of the 97th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding sales and use taxes, so as to extend the sunset date for the exemption for projects of regional significance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 587. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Reeves of the 34th, Blackmon of the 146th, Jasperse of the 11th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for a tax credit for medical equipment and supplies manufacturers and pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturers; to amend Code Section 33-1-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Agribusiness and Rural Jobs Act," so as to provide for a second round of funding and period for applications; to increase an application fee and provide for an annual maintenance fee; change certain reporting requirements; to revise and provide for definitions; to amend Code Section 48-7-40.34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for Class III railroads and reporting, so as to extend an income tax credit for expenditures on the maintenance of railroad track owned or leased by Class III railroads; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 588. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Burns of the 159th, Hatchett of the 150th, Smyre of the 135th, Ballinger of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 of the O.C.G.A., relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to amend Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for an exemption to state sales and use tax; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the O.C.G.A., relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; to provide for related matters; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 593. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Martin of the 49th, Knight of the 130th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income tax, so as to increase the amount of the standard deduction from state taxable income for individuals; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 635. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Wilensky of the 79th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to courts, so as to provide that each judge of the superior court, state court, and probate court and each magistrate shall have authority to perform any lawful judicial act regardless of where he or she is physically located at the time of such act; to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to provide for the issuance of arrest warrants by a judge regardless of where such judge is physically located; to revise standards for holding a court of inquiry; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, so as to revise when superior courts are authorized to use alternative locations; to provide for criteria; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HR 130. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Jones of the 25th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Wade of the 9th and Gilligan of the 24th:

A RESOLUTION ratifying the action of the Board of Community Affairs approving of the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 367 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 223 | Do Pass | HB 253 | Do Pass |
| HB 535 | Do Pass | HB 546 | Do Pass |
| HB 560 | Do Pass | HB 600 | Do Pass |
| HB 613 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 106 | HB 156 | HB 208 | HB 245 | SB 98 | SB 106 |
| SB 108 | SB 162 | SB 164 | SB 197 | SB 199 | SB 202 |
| SB 213 | SB 218 | SB 225 | SB 226 | SB 232 | SB 234 |
| SB 237 | SB 238 | SB 239 | SB 240 | SB 241 | SB 247 |
| SB 256 | SB 258 | SB 260 | SB 266 | SB 276 | SR 134 |
| SR 154 | | | | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Sims of the 12th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Sims was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tillery of the 19th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tillery was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Orrock of the 36th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Orrock was excused.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Brass of the 28th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Brass was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | Lucas |
| Anavitarte | Halpern | McNeill |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Miller |
| Au | Harper | Mullis |
| Beach | Harrell | Parent |
| Brass | Hatchett | Payne |
| Burke | Hickman | Rahman |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Cowsert | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Davenport | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dugan | Jordan | Tippins |
| Ginn | Kennedy | Walker |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| James (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Sims (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | Tillery (Excused) | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan and James Tripp of the Secretary of the Senate's office introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Jonathan Ritchey of Winder, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Parent of the 42nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Patrick Hall, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 191. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the Georgia Craft Brewers Guild and recognizing March 6, 2021, as Georgia Beer Day; and for other purposes.

SR 194. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Robertson of the 29th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Caroline Cole on the occasion of her 20th birthday; and for other purposes.

SR 195. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Bobby Lee Cook; and for other purposes.

SR 196. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Seay of the 34th, Merritt of the 9th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Dorothy Moore for receiving the 2021 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

SR 197. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Seay of the 34th, Davenport of the 44th, Lucas of the 26th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Georgia National Association for the Advancement of Colored People upon its 112th anniversary; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

## SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Friday March 5, 2021
Twenty-seventh Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 223 Hatchett of the 50th
Ginn of the 47th
**JACKSON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Jackson County, approved April 20, 2011 (Ga. L. 2011, p. 3673), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 30, 2019 (Ga. L. 2019, p. 3682), so as to provide for

the authority of the board of elections and registration to act in certain situations; to provide for the terms of members of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 253 Jones of the 25th
Lucas of the 26th
**JONES COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Jones County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for a short title; to confer powers upon the authority; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of this Act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 535 Summers of the 13th
**CITY OF SYLVESTER**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to authorize the city to provide extraterritorial utility services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 546 Watson of the 1st
**CITY OF RICHMOND HILL**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Richmond Hill; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 560 Goodman of the 8th
Burke of the 11th
**THOMAS COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Thomas County, approved December 1, 1898 (Ga. L. 1898, p. 378), as amended, so as to modify the compensation of the commissioners on the Thomas County Board of Commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 600 Orrock of the 36th
**CITY OF HAPEVILLE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Hapeville, Georgia, approved March 25, 1980 (Ga. L. 1980, p. 3769), as amended, so as to revise provisions related to quorums of the mayor and council; to revise procedures for filling vacancies on the city council; to revise provisions related to the city attorney; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 613 Walker III of the 20th
Kennedy of the 18th
**CITY OF PERRY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Perry to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on the Local Consent Calendar, pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

SR 198. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Seay of the 34th, Lucas of the 26th, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Reverend James Woodall, state president of the Georgia National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 220 "The Georgia Civics Renewal Act"; enact (Substitute)(ED&Y-54th)

SR 84 Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; create Joint Study Committee (Substitute)(RULES-7th)

SB 246 "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; exemptions applicable to learning pods, student attendance, administrative and judicial proceedings; provide (ED&Y-28th)

SB 92 Controlled Substances; sale to and by minors of drug products containing

dextromethorphan; prohibit (Substitute)(JUDY-29th)

SB 255 "OneGeorgia Authority Act"; grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; provide (ED&T-53rd)

SB 153 "Graduation Opportunities and Advanced Learning (GOAL) Act"; enact (Substitute)(ED&Y-27th)

SB 156 Labor and Industrial Relations; appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; provide (Substitute)(I&L-16th)

SB 163 Judicial Emergency; suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-17th)

SB 200 Emergency Powers of the Governor; certain business and religious institutions may continue to resume operations; certain states of emergency; provide (Substitute)(GvtO-31st)

SR 135 Sports Betting; related matters; provide -CA (Substitute)(RI&U-53rd)

SB 142 Lottery for Education; lottery game of sports wagering in this state; provide (Substitute)(RI&U-53rd)

SB 165 Motor Vehicles; autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; exempt (Substitute)(TRANS-51st)

SB 210 Motor Vehicles and Traffic; definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor vehicles; provide (Substitute)(S&T-29th)

SB 219 Alcoholic Beverages; regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; provide (Substitute)(RI&U-47th)

SR 143 General Assembly Chaplain; honorary position; appoint (RULES-16th)

SB 152 State and Other Flags; pledge of allegiance to the state flag; add language (GvtO-29th)

SB 145 Distilled Spirits; initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; modify the petition requirements (RI&U-28th)

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| SB 236 | Alcoholic Beverages; food service establishments to sell mixed drinks for off-premises consumption in approved containers under certain conditions; allow (RI&U-28th) |
| SB 78 | Invasion of Privacy; prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; revise (Substitute)(JUDY-22nd) |
| SB 75 | Termination of Residential Lease; victims of stalking; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-41st) |
| SR 39 | Charlotte Nash Intersection; Gwinnett County; dedicate (TRANS-45th) |

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that all bills and resolutions on the Senate Rules Calendar be placed on the Table.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 17; the motion prevailed, and SB 75, SB 78, SB 92, SB 142, SB 145, SB 152, SB 153, SB 156, SB 163, SB 165, SB 200, SB 210, SB 219, SB 220, SB 236, SB 246, SB 255, SR 39, SR 84, SR 135, and SR 143 were placed on the Table.

At 10:52 a.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 10:54 a.m.

At 10:59 a.m., the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 255. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," so as to provide for a grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; to provide for criteria; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 255 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 255, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 255. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," so as to provide for a grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; to provide for criteria; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

SB 255, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/5/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 255. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Thompson of the 14th

Senator Harper of the 7th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 84. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Kennedy of the 18th, Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 84 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 84, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 84. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Kennedy of the 18th, Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to SR 84:

A RESOLUTION

Creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the current and future economic health of Georgia relies on thriving airports and an efficient air travel industry; and

WHEREAS, Georgia needs a comprehensive, strategic business plan to develop state-wide infrastructure for airports in order for this state to remain economically competitive and to remain a leader in the movement of goods and persons; and

WHEREAS, a study is needed to determine the best course of action with regard to funding and policy development relating to airports to ensure that action taken over the next several years will result in the growth and support of this critical industry; and

WHEREAS, it is important that such study further emphasizes creating efficiency and coordination among Georgia's air service providers and aviation industry in an effort to offer solutions to improve mobility; and

WHEREAS, subject to availability of funds from the budget of the Senate and the House of Representatives, such study may include a contract for the provision of private consulting and any other services deemed necessary for purposes of addressing the areas identified in this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

(1) **Creation of joint study committee.** There is created the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements.

(2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall consist of the following members:

(A) Four members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, including the chairperson of the Senate Transportation Committee;

(B) Four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, including the chairperson of the House Committee on Transportation;

(C) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate with expertise in operation of an airport and with one appointee being a resident of a designated tier 1 county and the other appointee being a resident of a designated tier 4 county;

(D) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives with expertise in operation of an airport and with one appointee being a resident of a designated tier 2 county and the other appointee being a resident of a designated tier 3 county;

(E) The commissioner of transportation or his or her designee, ex officio;

(F) The commissioner of economic development or his or her designee, ex officio;

(G) The president of the Georgia Airports Association or his or her designee, ex officio;

(H) The president of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce or his or her designee, ex officio; and

(I) The executive director of the Association County Commissioners of Georgia or his or her designee, ex officio.

The chairpersons of the Senate Transportation Committee and the House Committee on Transportation shall serve as cochairpersons of the committee.

(3) **Powers and duties.** The committee shall undertake a study of the conditions, needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate.

(4) **Meetings.** The cochairpersons shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

(5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

(A) The legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(B) Members of the committee who are state officials, other than legislative members, or state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the committee, but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the committee in the same manner as they are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

(C) Members of the committee who are not legislators, state officials, or state

employees shall receive a daily expense allowance in an amount the same as that specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state employees.

(D) The allowances and expenses authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the Senate and the House of Representatives; except that funds for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to or otherwise available to their respective agencies.

(6) **Report.**

(A) In the event the committee adopts any specific findings or recommendations that include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file a report of the same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(B) In the event the committee adopts a report that does not include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file the report, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee. A report so approved shall be signed by the cochairpersons of the committee and filed with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

(D) In the absence of an approved report, the cochairpersons may file with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives copies of the minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

(7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall submit the report and proposal required by paragraph (6) not later than December 31, 2021, at which time such proposal shall be published and the committee shall stand abolished.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 41, nays 8.

SR 84, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 135. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Cowsert of the 46th:

> A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, so as to provide for sports betting in this state; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 135 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 135, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

Senate Resolution 135
By: Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Cowsert of the 46th

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, so as to provide for

sports betting in this state; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article I, Section II of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph VIII as follows:

"Paragraph VIII. ***Lotteries, ~~and~~ nonprofit bingo games, and sports betting.*** (a) Except as herein specifically provided in this Paragraph ~~VIII~~, all lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets, and all forms of pari-mutuel betting and casino gambling are hereby prohibited; and this prohibition shall be enforced by penal laws.

(b) The General Assembly may by law provide that the operation of a nonprofit bingo game shall not be a lottery and shall be legal in this state. The General Assembly may by law define a nonprofit bingo game and provide for the regulation of nonprofit bingo games.

(c) The General Assembly may by law provide for the operation and regulation of a lottery or lotteries by or on behalf of the state and for any matters relating to the purposes or provisions of this subparagraph. Proceeds derived from the lottery or lotteries operated by or on behalf of the state shall be used to pay the operating expenses of the lottery or lotteries, including all prizes, without any appropriation required by law, and for educational programs and purposes as hereinafter provided. Lottery proceeds shall not be subject to Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II; Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(a); or Article III, Section IX, Paragraph IV(c), except that the net proceeds after payment of such operating expenses shall be subject to Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II. Net proceeds after payment of such operating expenses shall be separately accounted for and shall be specifically identified by the Governor in his or her annual budget presented to the General Assembly as a separate budget category entitled 'Lottery Proceeds' and the Governor shall make specific recommendations as to educational programs and educational purposes to which said net proceeds shall be appropriated. In the General Appropriations Act adopted by the General Assembly, the General Assembly shall appropriate all net proceeds of the lottery or lotteries by such separate budget category to educational programs and educational purposes. Such net proceeds shall be used to support improvements and enhancements for educational programs and purposes and such net proceeds shall be used to supplement, not supplant, non-lottery educational resources for educational programs and purposes. The educational programs and educational purposes for which proceeds may be so appropriated shall include only the following:

(1) Tuition grants, scholarships, or loans to citizens of this state to enable such citizens to attend colleges and universities located within this state, regardless of whether such colleges or universities are operated by the board of regents, or to attend institutions operated under the authority of the ~~Department of Technical and Adult Education~~ Technical College System of Georgia;

(2) Voluntary pre-kindergarten;

(3) One or more educational shortfall reserves in a total amount of not less than 10 percent of the net proceeds of the lottery for the preceding fiscal year;

(4) Costs of providing to teachers at accredited public institutions who teach levels K-12, personnel at public postsecondary technical institutes under the authority of the ~~Department of Technical and Adult Education~~ Technical College System of Georgia, and professors and instructors within the University System of Georgia the necessary training in the use and application of computers and advanced electronic instructional technology to implement interactive learning environments in the classroom and to access the state-wide distance learning network; and

(5) Capital outlay projects for educational facilities;

provided, however, that no funds shall be appropriated for the items listed in paragraphs (4) and (5) of this subsection until all persons eligible for and applying for assistance as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection have received such assistance, all approved pre-kindergarten programs provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection have been fully funded, and the education shortfall reserve or reserves provided for in paragraph (3) of this subsection have been fully funded.

(d) On and after January 1, 1995, the holding of raffles by nonprofit organizations shall be lawful and shall not be prohibited by any law enacted prior to January 1, 1994. Laws enacted on or after January 1, 1994, however, may restrict, regulate, or prohibit the operation of such raffles.

(e) The General Assembly may by law provide for sports betting to be legal in this state. The General Assembly may by law define sports betting and provide for the regulation of sports betting."

**SECTION 2.**

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize sports
( ) NO betting in this state?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to SR 135:

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, so as to provide for sports betting in this state; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of

this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article I, Section II of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph VIII as follows:

"Paragraph VIII. ***Lotteries, ~~and~~ nonprofit bingo games, and sports betting.*** (a) Except as herein specifically provided in this Paragraph ~~VIII~~, all lotteries, and the sale of lottery tickets, and all forms of pari-mutuel betting and casino gambling are hereby prohibited; and this prohibition shall be enforced by penal laws.

(b) The General Assembly may by law provide that the operation of a nonprofit bingo game shall not be a lottery and shall be legal in this state. The General Assembly may by law define a nonprofit bingo game and provide for the regulation of nonprofit bingo games.

(c) The General Assembly may by law provide for the operation and regulation of a lottery or lotteries, including, but not limited to sports betting, by or on behalf of the state and for any matters relating to the purposes or provisions of this subparagraph. Such lottery or lotteries, including, but not limited to sports betting, shall be implemented and regulated by the Georgia Lottery Corporation or any successor entity created by the General Assembly consistent with the enabling legislation for the Georgia Lottery Corporation or any such successor entity. Except as provided in subparagraph (e) of this Paragraph for sports betting lotteries, proceeds ~~Proceeds~~ derived from the lottery or lotteries operated by or on behalf of the state shall be used to pay the operating expenses of the lottery or lotteries, including all prizes, without any appropriation required by law, and for educational programs and purposes as hereinafter provided. Lottery proceeds shall not be subject to Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II; Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(a); or Article III, Section IX, Paragraph IV(c), except that the net proceeds after payment of such operating expenses shall be subject to Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II. Except as provided in subparagraph (e) of this Paragraph for sports betting lotteries, net ~~Net~~ proceeds after payment of such operating expenses shall be separately accounted for and shall be specifically identified by the Governor in his or her annual budget presented to the General Assembly as a separate budget category entitled 'Lottery Proceeds,' and the Governor shall make specific recommendations as to educational programs and educational purposes to which said net proceeds shall be appropriated. In the General Appropriations Act adopted by the General Assembly, the General Assembly shall appropriate all net proceeds of the lottery or lotteries, except as provided in subparagraph (e) of this Paragraph for sports betting lotteries, by such separate budget category to educational programs and educational purposes. Such net proceeds shall be used to support improvements and enhancements for educational programs and purposes and such net proceeds shall be used to supplement, not supplant, ~~non-lottery~~ nonlottery educational resources for educational programs and purposes. The educational programs and educational purposes for which proceeds may be so

appropriated shall include only the following:

(1) Tuition grants, scholarships, or loans to citizens of this state to enable such citizens to attend colleges and universities located within this state, regardless of whether such colleges or universities are operated by the board of regents, or to attend institutions operated under the authority of the ~~Department of Technical and Adult Education~~ Technical College System of Georgia;

(2) Voluntary pre-kindergarten;

(3) One or more educational shortfall reserves in a total amount of not less than 10 percent of the net proceeds of the lottery for the preceding fiscal year;

(4) Costs of providing to teachers at accredited public institutions who teach levels K-12, personnel at public postsecondary technical institutes under the authority of the ~~Department of Technical and Adult Education~~ Technical College System of Georgia, and professors and instructors within the University System of Georgia the necessary training in the use and application of computers and advanced electronic instructional technology to implement interactive learning environments in the classroom and to access the state-wide distance learning network; and

(5) Capital outlay projects for educational facilities;

provided, however, that no funds shall be appropriated for the items listed in ~~paragraphs (4) and (5) of this subsection~~ subparagraphs (c)(4) and (c)(5) of this Paragraph until all persons eligible for and applying for assistance as provided in ~~paragraph (1) of this subsection~~ subparagraph (c)(1) of this Paragraph have received such assistance, all approved pre-kindergarten programs provided for in ~~paragraph (2) of this subsection~~ subparagraph (c)(2) of this Paragraph have been fully funded, and the education shortfall reserve or reserves provided for in ~~paragraph (3) of this subsection~~ subparagraph (c)(3) of this Paragraph have been fully funded.

(d) In addition to the sports betting lotteries provided for in subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph, the General Assembly may by law provide for the operation and regulation of sports betting activities by or on behalf of the state. For the purpose of regulation and taxation of such sports betting activities, the General Assembly shall create a gaming commission and shall provide such commission with such powers and duties as necessary to provide appropriate regulation of such sports betting activities provided for under this subparagraph and to tax such activities. The proceeds derived from the taxation of the sports betting activities provided for in this subparagraph shall be used as provided for in subparagraph (e)(1) of this Paragraph and all other proceeds derived from the regulation of such activities shall be used to pay the operating expenses of the gaming commission. Such proceeds derived from the regulation and taxation of sports betting activities shall be separately accounted for and shall be specifically identified by the Governor in his or her annual budget presented to the General Assembly as a separate budget category entitled 'Sports Betting Proceeds.'

(e)(1) Proceeds derived from the taxation of the sports betting lotteries in paragraph (c) of this Paragraph and the sports betting activities provided for in subparagraph (d) of this Paragraph shall be appropriated by the General Assembly, as provided by law, for the following purposes:

(A) Need based scholarships, grants, or loans to citizens of this state to enable such citizens to attend units of the University System of Georgia, branches of the Technical College System of Georgia, or eligible private colleges and universities as may be provided by general law;

(B) Rural health care services and health care insurance coverage as may be provided by general law; and

(C) The deployment of broadband services and other communications technologies throughout the state at adequate speeds with priority given to rural areas with the least amount of broadband coverage and the lowest speeds as may be provided by general law. Such deployment may be through funding awards, grants, loans, or any other means as may be provided by general law and may be made through public-private partnerships, directly to service providers, or other methods as may be provided by general law, which shall not be subject to Article III, Section VI, Paragraph VI, relating to gratuities.

(2) The General Assembly is authorized to create and appropriate moneys to the Healthcare Equality Fund, the Broadband and Communications Technologies Fund, and the Education Opportunity Fund from which funds shall be disbursed for those purposes respectively set forth in subparagraphs (A) through (C) of subparagraph (e)(1) of this Paragraph. The moneys paid into such funds shall not be subject to the provisions of Article III, Section IX, Paragraph IV(c), relating to the lapsing of funds; Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(a), relating to allocation of proceeds; or Article VII, Section III, Paragraph II(a), relating to payment into the general fund of the state treasury.

~~(d)~~(f) On and after January 1, 1995, the holding of raffles by nonprofit organizations shall be lawful and shall not be prohibited by any law enacted prior to January 1, 1994. Laws enacted on or after January 1, 1994, however, may restrict, regulate, or prohibit the operation of such raffles."

**SECTION 2.**

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to authorize sports
( ) NO betting in this state and to provide for such proceeds to be used for need based educational funding, rural health care services, and deployment of broadband to unserved areas?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.

Senators Parent of the 42nd and Butler of the 55th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SR 135 (LC 36 4720S) by striking "Need" on line 84 and replacing it with:
"At least fifty percent to need"; and
striking lines 86 and 87 and replacing them with:
"College System of Georgia, or eligible private colleges and universities;".

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Gooch of the 51st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | N Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 29, nays 21, and the amendment to the committee substitute was adopted.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/5/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on amendment #1 to SR 135. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Orrock of the 36th

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the adoption of the resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 41, nays 10.

SR 135, having received the requisite two-thirds constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 142. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jones II of the 22nd, Albers of the 56th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to lottery for education, so as to provide for the lottery game of sports

wagering in this state; to provide for and revise certain definitions; to provide for oversight of such lottery game by the Georgia Lottery Corporation and its board of directors; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt wagers placed as part of the lottery game of sports wagering; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 142 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 142, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 142. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jones II of the 22nd, Albers of the 56th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to lottery for education, so as to provide for the lottery game of sports wagering in this state; to provide for and revise certain definitions; to provide for oversight of such lottery game by the Georgia Lottery Corporation and its board of directors; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt wagers placed as part of the lottery game of sports wagering; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to SB 142:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to lottery for education, so as to provide for the lottery game of sports wagering in this state; to provide for and revise certain definitions; to provide for oversight of such lottery game by the Georgia Lottery Corporation and its board of directors; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for additional powers and duties of the corporation and its board of directors; to provide for procedures, limitations, requirements, qualifications, and licensing; to regulate wagers and provide requirements for bettors; to provide for bettors to restrict themselves from placing certain wagers; to provide certain resources for individuals with a gambling problem or a gambling

disorder; to provide for the collection and disposition of taxes; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt wagers placed as part of the lottery game of sports wagering; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to lottery for education, is amended by revising Code Section 50-27-3, relating to definitions related to lottery for education, as follows:

"50-27-3.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Administrative expenses' means operating expenses, excluding amounts set aside for prizes, regardless of whether such prizes are claimed and excluding amounts held as a fidelity fund pursuant to Code Section 50-27-19.

(2) 'Assignee' means any person or third party other than the winner to whom any portion of a prize or any right of any person to a prize awarded payable by the corporation in installment payments may be transferred or assigned pursuant to an appropriate judicial order as provided in Code Section 50-27-24.1.

(3) 'Assignment' means the transfer of any portion of a prize or any right of any person to a prize awarded payable by the corporation in installment payments to any person or third party pursuant to an appropriate judicial order as provided in Code Section 50-27-24.1.

(4) 'Assignor' means any person receiving installment payments seeking to assign or transfer any portion of a prize or any right of any person to a prize awarded to an assignee or any person or third party pursuant to an appropriate judicial order as provided in Code Section 50-27-24.1.

(5) 'Board' means the board of directors of the Georgia Lottery Corporation.

(6) 'Capital outlay projects' means the acquisition, construction, installation, modification, renovation, repair, extension, renewal, replacement, or rehabilitation of land, interests in land, buildings, structures, facilities, or other improvements and the acquisition, installation, modification, renovation, repair, extension, renewal, replacement, rehabilitation, or furnishing of fixtures, machinery, equipment, computers, software, laboratories, furniture, textbooks, and reference material or other property of any nature whatsoever used on, in, or in connection with educational facilities.

(7) 'Casino gambling' means a location or business for the purpose of conducting illegal gambling activities, but excluding lottery games and the sale and purchase of lottery tickets or shares as authorized by this chapter.

(8) 'Chief executive officer' means the chief executive officer of the Georgia Lottery Corporation.
(9) 'Corporation' means the Georgia Lottery Corporation.
(10) 'Educational facilities' means land, structures, and buildings owned or operated by and through the board of regents, the State Board of Education, the Technical College System of Georgia, or by any city, county, or independent school system within this state; provided, however, that a public road or highway leading to an educational facility shall not be considered an educational facility.
(11) 'Educational purposes and programs' means capital outlay projects for educational facilities; tuition grants, scholarships, or loans to citizens of this state to enable such citizens to attend colleges and universities located within this state, regardless of whether such colleges and universities are owned or operated by the board of regents or to attend institutions operated under the authority of the Technical College System of Georgia; costs of providing to teachers at accredited public institutions who teach levels K-12, personnel at public postsecondary technical institutes under the authority of the Technical College System of Georgia, and professors and instructors within the University System of Georgia the necessary training in the use and application of computers and advanced electronic instructional technology to implement interactive learning environments in the classroom and to access the state-wide distance learning network; costs associated with repairing and maintaining advanced electronic instructional technology; voluntary pre-kindergarten; and an education shortfall reserve.
(12) 'Interested party' means any individual or entity that has notified the corporation of his or her interest in the prize or is a party to a civil matter adverse to the assignor, including actions for alimony and child support.
(13) 'Lottery,' 'lotteries,' 'lottery game,' or 'lottery games' means any game of chance approved by the board and operated pursuant to this chapter, including, but not limited to, instant tickets, ~~on-line~~ online games, and games using mechanical or electronic devices, including, but not limited to, online sports wagering platforms as such term is defined in Code Section 50-27-122 but excluding pari-mutuel betting and casino gambling as defined in this Code section.
(14) 'Major procurement contract' means any gaming product or service costing in excess of $75,000.00, including, but not limited to, major advertising contracts, annuity contracts, prize payment agreements, consulting services, equipment, tickets, and other products and services unique to the Georgia lottery, but not including materials, supplies, equipment, and services common to the ordinary operations of a corporation.
(15) 'Member' or 'members' means a director or directors of the board of directors of the Georgia Lottery Corporation.
(16) 'Member of a minority' means an individual who is a member of a race which comprises less than 50 percent of the total population of the state.
(17) 'Minority business' means any business which is owned by:
(A) An individual who is a member of a minority who reports as his or her personal

income for Georgia income tax purposes the income of such business;

(B) A partnership in which a majority of the ownership interest is owned by one or more members of a minority who report as their personal income for Georgia income tax purposes more than 50 percent of the income of the partnership; or

(C) A corporation organized under the laws of this state in which a majority of the common stock is owned by one or more members of a minority who report as their personal income for Georgia income tax purposes more than 50 percent of the distributed earnings of the corporation.

(18) 'Net proceeds' means all revenue derived from the sale of lottery tickets or shares and all other moneys derived from the lottery less operating expenses.

(19) 'Operating expenses' means all costs of doing business, including, but not limited to, prizes, commissions, and other compensation paid to retailers, advertising and marketing costs, personnel costs, capital costs, depreciation of property and equipment, funds for compulsive gambling education and treatment, amounts held in or paid from a fidelity fund pursuant to Code Section 50-27-19, and other operating costs.

(20) 'Pari-mutuel betting' means a method or system of wagering on actual races involving horses or dogs at tracks which involves the distribution of winnings by pools. Such term shall not mean the lottery game of sports wagering as defined in Code Section 50-27-122 or traditional lottery games which may involve the distribution of winnings by pools.

(21) 'Person' means any individual, corporation, partnership, unincorporated association, or other legal entity.

(22) 'Retailer' means a person who sells lottery tickets or shares on behalf of the corporation pursuant to a contract.

(23) 'Share' means any intangible evidence of participation in a lottery game.

(24) 'Ticket' means any tangible evidence issued by the lottery to provide participation in a lottery game.

(25) 'Vendor' means a person who provides or proposes to provide goods or services to the corporation pursuant to a major procurement contract, but does not include an employee of the corporation, a retailer, or a state agency or instrumentality thereof. Such term does not include any corporation whose shares are publicly traded and which is the parent company of the contracting party in a major procurement contract."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 50-27-9, relating to general powers of the Georgia Lottery Corporation, as follows:

"50-27-9.

(a) The corporation shall have any and all powers necessary or convenient to its usefulness in carrying out and effectuating the purposes and provisions of this chapter which are not in conflict with the Constitution of this state and which are generally exercised by corporations engaged in entrepreneurial pursuits, including, but without

limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following powers:

(1) To sue and be sued in contract and in tort and to complain and defend in all courts;

(2) To adopt and alter a seal;

(3) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, regulations, and policies and procedures for the regulation of its affairs and the conduct of its business; to elect and prescribe the duties of officers and employees of the corporation; and to perform such other matters as the corporation may determine. In the adoption of bylaws, regulations, policies, and procedures or in the exercise of any regulatory power, the corporation shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 13 of this title, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act';

(4) To procure or to provide insurance;

(5) To hold copyrights, trademarks, and service marks and enforce its rights with respect thereto;

(6) To initiate, supervise, and administer the operation of the lottery in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and regulations, policies, and procedures adopted pursuant thereto;

(7) To enter into written agreements with one or more other states or sovereigns for the operation, participation in marketing, and promotion of a joint lottery or joint lottery games;

(8) To conduct such market research as is necessary or appropriate, which may include an analysis of the demographic characteristics of the players of each lottery game and an analysis of advertising, promotion, public relations, incentives, and other aspects of communication;

(9) To acquire or lease real property and make improvements thereon and acquire by lease or by purchase personal property, including, but not limited to, computers; mechanical, electronic, and ~~on-line~~ online equipment and terminals; and intangible property, including, but not limited to, computer programs, systems, and software;

(10) To enter into contracts to incur debt in its own name and enter into financing agreements with the state, agencies or instrumentalities of the state, or with any commercial bank or credit provider; provided, however, that any such debt must be approved by the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission;

(11) To be authorized to administer oaths, take depositions, issue subpoenas, and compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, documents, and other evidence relative to any investigation or proceeding conducted by the corporation;

(12) To appoint and select officers, agents, and employees, including professional and administrative staff and personnel and hearing officers to conduct hearings required by this chapter, and to fix their compensation, pay their expenses, and provide a benefit program, including, but not limited to, a retirement plan and a group insurance plan;

(13) To select and contract with vendors and retailers;

(14) To enter into contracts or agreements with state or local law enforcement

agencies, including the Department of Revenue, for the performance of law enforcement, background investigations, security checks, and auditing and enforcement of license requirements required ~~by Article 3 of~~ under this chapter;
(15) To enter into contracts of any and all types on such terms and conditions as the corporation may determine;
(16) To establish and maintain banking relationships, including, but not limited to, establishment of checking and savings accounts and lines of credit;
(17) To advertise and promote ~~the lottery and~~ lottery games;
(18) To act as a retailer, to conduct promotions which involve the dispensing of lottery tickets or shares, and to establish and operate a sales facility to sell lottery tickets or shares and any related merchandise; ~~and~~
(19) To offer the lottery game of sports wagering and to regulate sports wagering in this state; and
~~(19)~~(20) To adopt and amend such regulations, policies, and procedures as necessary to carry out and implement its powers and duties, organize and operate the corporation, regulate the conduct of lottery games in general, and any other matters necessary or desirable for the efficient and effective operation of the lottery or the convenience of the public. The promulgation of any such regulations, policies, and procedures shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 13 of this title, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.'

(b) The powers enumerated in subsection (a) of this Code section are cumulative of and in addition to those powers enumerated elsewhere in this chapter, and no such powers limit or restrict any other powers of the corporation."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 4
Part 1

50-27-120.
This article shall be known and may be cited as the 'Georgia Lottery Mobile Sports Wagering Integrity Act.'

50-27-121.
It is found and declared by the General Assembly that:
(1) Sports wagering is a lottery game and as such shall be operated and managed by the Georgia Lottery Corporation in a manner which provides continuing entertainment to the public, maximizes revenues, and ensures that the lottery is operated with integrity and dignity and free of political influence;
(2) The Georgia Lottery Corporation shall be accountable to the General Assembly

and to the public for the operation and management of sports wagering in this state through a system of audits and reports;

(3) Net proceeds of lottery games conducted pursuant to this article shall be used for the purposes authorized by Article I, Section II, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution;

(4) The ability to offer the lottery game of sports wagering in this state under a license issued in accordance with this article constitutes a taxable privilege and not a right; and

(5) The lottery game of sports wagering shall be conducted in a manner to safeguard the fiscal soundness of the state, enhance public welfare, and support the funding authorized by Article I, Section II, Paragraph VIII of the Constitution.

50-27-122.

Unless another meaning is required by the context, as used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Adjusted gross income' means the total of all moneys paid to a licensee as bets, excluding free bets and promotional credits, minus federal excise taxes and the total amount paid out to winning bettors over a specified period of time, including the cash equivalent of any merchandise or thing of value awarded as a prize.

(2) 'Applicant' means any person that applies for a license under this article.

(3) 'Bettor' means an individual who is:

(A) Twenty-one years of age or older;

(B) Physically present in this state when placing a wager with a licensee; and

(C) Not prohibited from placing a wager or bet under Code Section 50-27-151.

(4) 'Bond' means a bond held in escrow for the purpose of maintaining adequate reserves to account for losses suffered by a licensee and owed to bettors.

(5) 'Cheating' means improving the chances of winning or altering the outcome by deception, interference, or manipulation of a sporting event or of any equipment, including software pertaining to or used in relation to the equipment, used for or in connection with the sporting event on which wagers are placed or invited, including attempts and conspiracy to cheat.

(6) 'Collegiate sporting event' means a sporting or athletics event involving a sports or athletics team of a public or private institution of higher education. Each game of a tournament or playoff shall be considered a separate collegiate sporting event.

(7) 'Corporation vendor' means a contractor, subcontractor, or independent contractor hired by or contracted with the corporation or a licensee for the purpose of facilitating the business of the corporation or licensee under this article.

(8) 'Fixed-odds betting' means bets made at predetermined odds or on the spread where the return to the bettor is unaffected by any later change in odds or the spread.

(9) 'Future bet' means a wager made on the occurrence of an event in the future relating to a sporting event.

(10) 'Interactive sports wagering' means placing a wager on a sporting event via the internet, a mobile device, or any other telecommunications technologies.

(11) 'License' means a license to accept wagers from bettors on sporting events issued under Code Section 50-27-140.

(12) 'Licensee' means a person that holds a license issued under Code Section 50-27-140.
(13) 'Live betting' means a type of wager that is placed after the sporting event being wagered on has commenced and whose odds on events occurring are adjusted in real time.
(14) 'Material nonpublic information' means information that has not been disseminated publicly concerning an athlete, contestant, prospective contestant, or athletic team, including, without limitation, confidential information related to medical conditions or treatment, physical or mental health or conditioning, physical therapy or recovery, discipline, sanctions, academic status, education records, eligibility, playbooks, signals, schemes, techniques, game plans, practices, strategies, assessments, systems, drills, or recordings of practices or other athletic activities.
(15) 'Minor' means an individual who is less than 21 years of age.
(16) 'Money line' means the fixed odds in relation to a dollar amount that a team or person participating in a sporting event will win outright, regardless of the spread.
(17) 'Official league data' means statistics, results, outcomes, and other data related to a sporting event obtained pursuant to an agreement with the relevant:
(A) Sports governing body whose corporate headquarters are based in the United States or an entity expressly authorized by such sports governing body to provide such information to licensees for purposes of live betting; or
(B) Sporting events operator whose corporate headquarters are based in the United States or an entity expressly authorized by such sporting events operator to provide such information to licensees for purposes of live betting.
(18) 'Online sports wagering platform' or 'platform' means the combination of hardware, software, and data networks used to manage, administer, or control sports wagering and any associated wagers accessible by any electronic means, including, but not limited to, applications and internet websites accessed via a mobile device, computer, or kiosk.
(19) 'Parlay bet' means a single wager that incorporates two or more individual bets for purposes of earning a higher payout if each bet incorporated within the wager wins.
(20) 'Permitted collegiate sporting event' means any collegiate sporting event that is not a prohibited collegiate sporting event.
(21) 'Principal owner' means a person that owns an interest of 10 percent or more of the entity.
(22) 'Prohibited collegiate sporting event' is any collegiate sporting event in which a sports or athletics team of a public or private institution of higher education located in Georgia participates regardless of where the event takes place and whether it takes place during regular season or during a tournament or playoff.
(23) 'Professional sports team' means a major or minor league professional baseball, football, basketball, soccer, or hockey franchise or a professional motor sport.
(24) 'Proposition bet' means a wager made regarding the occurrence or nonoccurrence during a sporting event of an event that does not directly affect the

final outcome of the sporting event.

(25) 'Regular season' means a series of collegiate sporting events that occur as scheduled by the sports governing body that does not include playoff games, tournaments, or bowl games that occur in postseason.

(26) 'Sporting event' means any:

(A) Professional sporting or professional athletic event, including motor sports sanctioned by a national or international organization or association;

(B) Permitted collegiate sporting or athletic event;

(C) Olympic sporting or athletic event;

(D) Sporting or athletic event sanctioned by a national or international organization or association; or

(E) Other event authorized by the corporation.

Such term shall not include horse racing.

(27) 'Sporting events operator' means a person that conducts or organizes a sporting event for athletes or other participants that is not held or sanctioned as an official sporting event of a sports governing body.

(28) 'Sports betting' or 'sports wagering' means placing one or more wagers for a sporting event.

(29) 'Sports governing body' means the organization, league, or association that oversees a sport and prescribes final rules and enforces codes of conduct with respect to such sport and participants therein.

(30) 'Spread' means the predicted scoring differential between two persons or teams engaged in a sporting event.

(31) 'Supervisory employee' means a principal owner or employee having the authority to act on behalf of a licensee or whose judgment is relied upon to manage and advance the business operations of a licensee.

(32) 'Wager' or 'bet' means a sum of money that is risked by a bettor on the unknown outcome of one or more sporting events, including, but not limited to, the form of fixed-odds betting, a future bet, live betting, a money line bet, a parlay bet, pools, a proposition bet, or a spread bet or any other form as authorized by rules and regulations of the corporation.

Part 2

50-27-130.

(a) In addition to the powers and duties otherwise specified in this chapter, the corporation shall have all powers and duties necessary to carry out the provisions of this article and to exercise the control of sports betting in this state as authorized by this article. Such powers and duties shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following:

(1) To have jurisdiction and supervision of the lottery game of sports betting;

(2) To have jurisdiction and supervision of all persons conducting, participating in, or attending any facility with sports betting;

(3) To employ such persons as necessary to ensure that such sports betting is

conducted with order and the highest degree of integrity. The corporation and such employees of the corporation shall be authorized to eject or exclude from the sports betting facility or any part thereof any individual, whether licensed or not, whose conduct or reputation is such that his or her presence may, in the opinion of the corporation or the designated employees of the corporation, reflect adversely on the honesty and integrity of the sports betting or interfere with the orderly conduct of the sports betting;

(4) To enter upon, investigate, and have free access to all places of business of any licensee under this article and to compel the production of any books, ledgers, documents, records, memoranda, or other information of any licensee to ensure that this article and the rules and regulations promulgated by the corporation pursuant to this article are complied with;

(5) To promulgate any rules and regulations as the corporation deems necessary and proper pursuant to Chapter 13 of this title, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' to administer the provisions of this article; provided, however, that the initial rules and regulations governing sports betting shall be promulgated and adopted by the corporation within 150 days of the effective date of this article after an opportunity has been provided for public comment. The promulgation and adoption of such initial rules and regulations shall not be subject to Chapter 13 of this title;

(6) To issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses before the corporation, administer oaths, and compel production of records or other documents and testimony of witnesses whenever, in the judgment of the corporation, it is necessary to do so for the effectual discharge of the duties of the corporation;

(7) To compel any person licensed by the corporation to file with the corporation such data, documents, and information as shall appear to the corporation to be necessary for the performance of the duties of the corporation, including, but not limited to, financial statements and information relative to stockholders and all others with a pecuniary interest in such person;

(8) To prescribe the manner in which books and records of persons licensed or permitted by the corporation shall be kept;

(9) To enter into arrangements with any foreign or domestic government or governmental agency for the purposes of exchanging information or performing any other act to better ensure the proper conduct of wagering under this article;

(10) To order such audits, in addition to those otherwise required by this article, as the corporation deems necessary and desirable;

(11) Upon the receipt of a complaint of an alleged criminal violation of this article, to immediately report the complaint to the Attorney General for appropriate action;

(12) To provide for the reporting of the applicable amount of state and federal income tax of persons claiming a prize or payoff for a winning wager;

(13) To establish and administer a program for providing assistance to compulsive gamblers, including, but not limited to, requiring that signs or notifications which bear a toll-free number for an organization which provides assistance to compulsive gamblers be posted in a conspicuous place in facilities at which sports wagering is

conducted and on online sports wagering platforms;

(14) To appoint and employ such other employees as the corporation deems essential to perform its duties under this article who shall possess such authority and perform such duties as the corporation shall prescribe or delegate to them. Such employees may include stewards, chemists, physicians, inspectors, accountants, attorneys, security officers, and such other employees deemed by the corporation to be necessary for the supervision and proper conduct of the highest standard of sports betting. Such employees shall be compensated as provided by the corporation;

(15) To keep a true and full record of all proceedings of the corporation under this article and preserve at the corporation's general office all books, documents, and papers of the corporation; and

(16) To adopt rules and regulations specific to the manner in which a licensee may advertise its business operations as authorized by this article.

(b) The corporation shall have the power to prescribe a licensee's maximum or minimum payout of hold percentage.

Part 3

50-27-140.

(a) Any person engaging in the lottery game of sports wagering in this state shall be licensed by the corporation. A license issued by the corporation shall permit the licensee to operate an individually branded online sports wagering platform in accordance with this article.

(b)(1) The corporation shall issue no fewer than six licenses to qualified applicants able to meet the duties of a license holder under this article and that the corporation determines will be best able to maximize tax revenue for the state; provided, however, that, if fewer than six qualified applicants seek licenses, the corporation shall issue as many licenses as there are qualified applicants, and the absence of six issued licenses shall not preclude licensees from engaging in the lottery game of sports wagering in accordance with this article. If a license is revoked, expires, or otherwise becomes ineffective, such license shall not be included in the number of licenses issued.

(2) Although six licenses is the minimum number of licenses the corporation shall issue, there is no maximum limitation.

(c) An applicant for a license shall submit an application on a form in such manner and in accordance with such requirements as may be prescribed by rules and regulations of the corporation. Such rules and regulations shall require, at a minimum, that the application include the following:

(1) If the applicant is an entity, identification of the applicant's principal owners, board of directors, and officers;

(2) Satisfactory results from a fingerprint records check conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as determined by the corporation. Application for a license under this Code section shall constitute express consent and authorization for the corporation or its representatives to perform

a criminal background check. Each applicant who submits an application to the corporation for licensure shall provide the corporation with any and all information necessary to run a criminal background check, including, but not limited to, classifiable sets of fingerprints. Applicants shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of such background checks. If the applicant is an entity, all individuals who are principal owners shall provide classifiable sets of fingerprints;

(3) Information, documentation, and assurances as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the applicant's good character, honesty, and integrity. Such information may include, without limitation, information pertaining to family, habits, character, reputation, criminal and arrest records, business activities, financial affairs, and business, professional, and personal associates, covering at least the ten-year period immediately preceding the filing of the application;

(4) Notice and a description of civil judgments obtained against the applicant pertaining to antitrust or security regulation laws of the federal government, this state, or any other state, jurisdiction, province, or country;

(5) To the extent available, letters of reference or the equivalent from law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction of the applicant's place of residence and principal place of business. Each such letter of reference shall indicate that the law enforcement agency does not have any pertinent information concerning the applicant or, if such law enforcement agency does have information pertaining to the applicant, shall provide such information;

(6) If the applicant has conducted sports wagering operations in a jurisdiction which permits such activity, a letter of reference from the regulatory body that governs sports wagering that specifies the standing of the applicant with the regulatory body; provided, however, that, if no such letter is received within 60 days of the request therefor, the applicant may submit a statement under oath that the applicant is or was, during the period such activities were conducted, in good standing with the regulatory body;

(7) Information, documentation, and assurances concerning financial background and resources as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence the financial stability, integrity, and responsibility of the applicant, including, but not limited to, bank references, business and personal income and disbursement schedules, tax returns and other reports filed with governmental agencies, and business and personal accounting and check records and ledgers. Each applicant shall, in writing, authorize the examination of all bank accounts and records as may be deemed necessary by the corporation. The corporation may consider any relevant evidence of financial stability. The applicant is presumed to be financially stable if the applicant establishes by clear and convincing evidence the ability to:

(A) Assure the financial integrity of sports wagering operations by the maintenance of a cash reserve of not less than $500,000.00 or the amount required to be able to cover the outstanding liabilities for wagers accepted by the licensee, whichever is greater. Such reserve shall be adequate to pay winning wagers to bettors when due. An applicant is presumed to have met this standard if the applicant maintains, on a

daily basis, a minimum cash reserve in an amount which is at least equal to the average daily minimum cash reserve, calculated on a monthly basis, for the corresponding month in the previous year;

(B) In addition to the required cash reserve in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, post a bond in the amount of $5 million for the purpose of maintaining adequate reserves to account for losses suffered by a licensee and owed to bettors;

(C) Meet ongoing operating expenses which are essential to the maintenance of continuous and stable sports wagering operations; and

(D) Pay, as and when due, all state and federal taxes;

(8) Information, documentation, and assurances as may be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence that the applicant has sufficient business ability and sports wagering experience to establish the likelihood of the creation and maintenance of successful, efficient sports wagering operations in this state;

(9) Information, as required by rules and regulations of the corporation, regarding the financial standing of the applicant, including, without limitation, each person or entity that has provided loans or financing to the applicant;

(10) A nonrefundable application fee in the amount of $10,000.00 and an annual licensing fee in the amount of $100,000.00; and

(11) Any additional information required by rules and regulations of the corporation.

(d) The corporation shall review and approve or deny an application for a license not more than 90 days after receipt of an application.

(e) A licensee may renew its license by submitting an application on a form in such manner and in accordance with such requirements as may be prescribed by rules and regulations of the corporation. A licensee shall submit the nonrefundable annual licensing and application fees prescribed under paragraph (10) of subsection (c) of this Code section with its application for license renewal.

(f) For each application for licensure or renewal of a license approved under this Code section, the amount of the application fee must be credited toward the licensee's annual licensing fee and the licensee shall remit the balance of the annual fee to the corporation upon approval of a license. The fees collected from licensees under this Code section shall be used by the corporation to pay the actual operating and administrative expenses incurred pursuant to this article.

(g) Except as provided in subsection (f) of this Code section, annual licensing and application fees collected by the corporation shall be distributed to the general fund of the state treasury for deposit into the Lottery for Education Account established pursuant to Code Section 50-27-13.

(h) Each licensee shall have a continuing duty to promptly inform the corporation of any change in status relating to any information that may disqualify the licensee from holding a license.

(i)(1) A person that holds a license or permit to engage in sports wagering issued by another jurisdiction may submit a request to the corporation for a temporary license for such person to immediately commence engagement in this state in the lottery game of sports wagering. Such request shall include the licensing fee required under

paragraph (10) of subsection (c) of this Code section.

(2) Upon receiving a request for a temporary license, the chief executive officer may review the request at his or her discretion. If the chief executive officer reviews the request and determines that the person requesting the temporary license holds a license or permit issued by another jurisdiction to engage in sports wagering and has paid the required licensing fee, the chief executive officer may authorize such person to engage in sports wagering pursuant to this article under a temporary license for up to one year or until a final determination on such person's application is made.

(j) Any sports governing body or sporting events operator on whose sporting event the corporation has authorized wagering may also enter into commercial agreements with sports wagering operators or other entities that provide for such sports governing body or sporting events operator to share in the amount bet from sports wagering on sporting events of such sports governing body or sporting events operator. A sports governing body or sporting events operator shall not be required to obtain a license or any other approval from the corporation to enter into such commercial agreements.

50-27-141.

(a) The following persons shall not be eligible to apply for or obtain a license:

(1) A member or employee of the corporation or a vendor or corporation vendor;

(2) An employee of a professional sports team;

(3) An individual or entity that has an ownership interest of 25 percent or more in a professional sports team on which the applicant offers sports wagering or an employee of such individual or entity;

(4) A coach of or player for a collegiate, professional, or Olympic sports team or sport or an entity that has an affiliation or interest in such a sports team or sport;

(5) An individual who is a member or employee of any sports governing body or sporting events operator or an entity that has an affiliation with any sports governing body or sporting events operator;

(6) An individual or entity with an owner, officer, or director who has been convicted of a crime as specified in rules and regulations promulgated by the corporation;

(7) A person having the ability to directly affect the outcome of a sporting event upon which the applicant offers sports wagering; and

(8) Any other category of persons, established by rules and regulations of the corporation, that, if licensed, would affect the integrity of sports wagering in this state.

(b) A person listed in paragraphs (2) through (8) of subsection (a) of this Code section may hold an ownership interest in an applicant or licensee without disqualifying the applicant or licensee from obtaining or holding a license; provided, however, that such an ownership interest of 25 percent or more shall require approval from the corporation. In determining whether such an ownership interest shall be the basis of disqualification, the corporation shall consider whether such interest would affect the integrity of sports wagering in this state and any other factors the corporation shall deem relevant.

50-27-142.
(a) A licensee shall not knowingly:
(1) Allow a minor to place a wager;
(2) Offer, accept, or extend credit to a bettor;
(3) Target minors in advertising or promotions for sports wagering;
(4) Offer or accept a wager on any event, outcome, or occurrence other than a sporting event, including, without limitation, a high school sporting event offered, sponsored, or played in connection with a public or private institution that offers education at the secondary level; or
(5) Accept a wager from an individual who is on the registry created and maintained by the corporation under Code Section 50-27-151.
(b) A person that knowingly violates this Code section:
(1) For a first offense, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor; and
(2) For a second or subsequent offense, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature.

50-27-143.
The corporation may adopt rules and regulations prescribing the manner in which a license may be transferred and a fee for a license transfer.
50-27-144.
(a) The corporation shall prescribe by rules and regulations:
(1) The amount of a bond in escrow, letter of credit, or cash that shall be kept on hand by licensees to ensure that adequate reserves exist by licensees to pay off bettors;
(2) Any insurance requirements for a licensee;
(3) Minimum requirements by which each licensee shall exercise effective control over its internal fiscal affairs, including, without limitation, requirements for:
(A) Safeguarding assets and revenues, including evidence of indebtedness;
(B) Maintaining reliable records relating to accounts, transactions, profits and losses, operations, and events; and
(C) Global risk management;
(4) Requirements for internal and independent audits of licensees;
(5) The manner in which periodic financial reports shall be submitted to the corporation from each licensee, including the financial information to be included in the reports;
(6) The type of information deemed to be confidential financial or proprietary information that is not subject to any reporting requirements under this article;
(7) Policies, procedures, and processes designed to mitigate the risk of cheating and money laundering; and
(8) Any post-employment restrictions necessary to maintain the integrity of sports wagering in this state.
(b) The licensee may maintain the bond, letter of credit, or cash reserve at any bank lawfully operating in this state, and the licensee shall be the beneficiary of any interest

accrued thereon.

Part 4

50-27-150.
(a) Except for those individuals ineligible to place bets under Code Section 50-27-151, an individual who is 21 years of age or older and who is physically located in this state may place a wager in the manner authorized under this article and the rules and regulations of the corporation.
(b) A licensee shall ensure that all wagers accepted in this state are from qualified bettors and in accordance with this article and the rules and regulations of the corporation.

50-27-151.
(a)(1) Certain individuals and categories of individuals shall not, directly or indirectly, place a wager on sporting events or online sports wagering platforms in this state as specified in this Code section.
(2) A member, officer, or employee of the corporation shall not place a wager on any sporting event or platform.
(3) A corporation vendor shall not place a wager on any sporting event or platform.
(4) A licensee or principal owner, partner, member of the board of directors, officer, or supervisory employee of a licensee shall not place a wager on the licensee's platform.
(5) A vendor of a licensee or any principal owner, partner, member of the board of directors, officer, or supervisory employee of a vendor shall not place a wager on the licensee's platform.
(6) A contractor, subcontractor, or consultant or any officer or employee of a contractor, subcontractor, or consultant of a licensee shall not place a wager on the licensee's platform, if such individual is directly involved in the licensee's operation of sports wagering or the processing of sports wagering claims or payments through the licensee's platform.
(7) An individual subject to a contract with the corporation shall not place a wager on any platform, if the contract contains a provision prohibiting the individual from participating in sports wagering.
(8) A individual with access to material nonpublic information that is known exclusively by an individual who is prohibited from placing a wager in this state under this Code section shall not use any such information to place a wager on any sporting event or platform.
(9) An amateur or Olympic athlete shall not place a wager on any sporting event in which the athlete participates.
(10) A professional athlete shall not place a wager on any sporting event overseen by such athlete's sports governing body or sporting events operator.
(11) An owner or employee of a team, player, umpire, or sports union personnel, or

employee, referee, coach, or official of a sports governing body or sporting events operator shall not place a wager on any sporting event, if the wager is based on a sporting event overseen by the individual's sports governing body or sporting events operator.

(12) An individual having the ability to directly affect the outcome of a sporting event shall not place a wager on such sporting event.

(13) A trustee or regent of a governing board of a public or private institution of higher education shall not place a wager on a collegiate sporting event.

(14) An individual prohibited by the rules or regulations of a sports governing body or sporting events operator of a collegiate sports, team, league, or association from participating in sports wagering shall not place a wager on any sporting event to which such prohibition applies.

(15) A student or an employee of a public or private institution of higher education who has access to material nonpublic information concerning a student athlete or a sports team shall be prohibited from placing a wager on a collegiate sporting event if such information is relevant to the outcome of such event.

(b) The corporation may prescribe by rules and regulations additional categories of individuals who are prohibited from placing a wager on specified sporting events or online sports wagering platforms in this state.

(c) The corporation shall maintain a confidential registry of individuals and categories of individuals who are ineligible to place a wager in this state and shall provide the registry to each licensee in this state. The corporation shall provide each updated registry to the licensees as soon as practicable. Each licensee shall maintain the registry provided by the corporation confidentially. Such registry shall not be considered a record open to the public pursuant to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of this title and shall be exempt from such provisions.

(d) Any individual who places a wager in violation of this Code section:

(1) For a first offense, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor;

(2) For a second offense, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined not less than $500.00 nor more than $1,000.00 or shall be imprisoned for not less than one month nor more than five months, or both; and

(3) For a third or subsequent offense, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature.

50-27-152.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, each wager placed with a licensee in accordance with this article shall be:

(1) Deemed to be an enforceable contract; and

(2) Exempt from Chapter 13 of this title.

50-27-153.

(a) The corporation shall by rules and regulations prohibit wagering on injuries, penalties, and other types or forms of wagering under this article that are contrary to

public policy or unfair to bettors.

(b)(1) A sports governing body or sporting events operator may submit to the corporation in writing, by providing notice in such form and manner as the corporation may require, a request to restrict, limit, or prohibit a certain type, form, or category of sports wagering with respect to sporting events of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, if the sports governing body or sporting events operator believes that such type, form, or category of sports wagering with respect to sporting events of such sports governing body or sporting events operator may undermine the integrity or perceived integrity of such sports governing body or sporting events operator or sporting events of such sports governing body or sporting events operator. The corporation shall request comments from sports wagering operators on all such requests it receives.

(2) After giving due consideration to all comments received, the corporation shall, upon a demonstration of good cause from the requestor that such type, form, or category of sports wagering is likely to undermine the integrity or perceived integrity of such sports governing body or sporting events operator or sporting events of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, grant the request. The corporation shall respond to a request concerning a particular event before the start of the event, or if it is not feasible to respond before then, no later than seven days after the request is made. If the corporation determines that the requestor is more likely than not to prevail in successfully demonstrating good cause for its request, the corporation may provisionally grant the request of the sports governing body or sporting events operator until the corporation makes a final determination as to whether the requestor has demonstrated good cause. Absent such a provisional grant by the corporation, sports wagering operators may continue to offer sports wagering on sporting events that are the subject of such a request during the pendency of the corporation's consideration of the applicable request.

50-27-154.

(a) Prior to placing a wager with a licensee via interactive sports wagering, a bettor shall register and establish a player account with the licensee remotely and attest that the bettor meets the requirements to place a wager with a licensee in this state. Prior to verification of a bettor's identity in accordance with this Code section, a licensee shall not allow the bettor to engage in sports wagering, make a deposit, or process a withdrawal via interactive sports wagering. A licensee shall implement commercially and technologically reasonable procedures to prevent access to sports wagering by minors on its online sports wagering platforms. A licensee may use information obtained from third parties to verify that an individual is authorized to open an account, place wagers, and make deposits and withdrawals.

(b) A licensee shall adopt a registration policy to ensure that all bettors utilizing interactive sports wagering are authorized to place a wager with a licensee within this state. Such policy must include, without limitation, a mechanism which shall:

(1) Verify the name and age of the registrant;

(2) Verify that the registrant is not prohibited from placing a wager under Code Section 50-27-151; and

(3) Obtain the following information from the registrant:

(A) Legal name;

(B) Date of birth;

(C) Physical address other than a post office box;

(D) Phone number;

(E) Social security number;

(F) A unique username; and

(G) An active email account.

(c) A licensee may in its discretion require a bettor to provide the licensee with a signed and notarized document attesting that the bettor is qualified to engage in sports wagering under this article as part of the registration policy of the licensee.

(d) A bettor shall not register more than one account with a licensee, and a licensee shall use commercially and technologically reasonable means to ensure that each bettor is limited to one account.

(e) A licensee, in addition to complying with state and federal law pertaining to the protection of the private, personal information of registered bettors, shall use all other commercially and technologically reasonable means to protect such information consistent with industry standards.

(f) Once a bettor's account is created, a bettor may fund the account through:

(1) Electronic bank transfer of funds, including such transfers through third parties;

(2) Debit cards;

(3) Online and mobile payment systems that support online money transfers; and

(4) Any other method approved by rules and regulations of the corporation.

(g) The total amount a bettor shall be permitted to deposit in any 30 day period into such bettor's account or accounts shall not exceed $2,500.00 in total, unless the bettor has self-imposed a restriction of a lesser amount as provided in Code Section 50-27-155.

(h)(1) Each financial transaction with respect to an account between a bettor and licensee must be confirmed by email, telephone, text message, or other means agreed upon by the account holder. A licensee shall use commercially and technologically reasonable means to independently verify the identity of the bettor making a deposit or withdrawal.

(2) If a licensee determines that the information provided by a bettor to make a deposit or process a withdrawal is inaccurate or incapable of verification or violates the policies and procedures of the licensee, the licensee shall, within ten days, require the submission of additional information that can be used to verify the identity of the bettor.

(3) If such information is not provided or does not result in verification of the bettor's identity, the licensee shall:

(A) Immediately suspend the bettor's account and not allow the bettor to place wagers;

(B) Retain any winnings attributable to the bettor;
(C) Refund the balance of deposits made to the account to the source of such deposit or by issuance of a check; and
(D) Suspend the account.
(i) A licensee shall utilize geolocation or geofencing technology to ensure that interactive sports wagering is only available to bettors who are physically located in this state. A licensee shall maintain in this state the servers it uses to transmit information for purposes of accepting wagers on a sporting event placed by bettors located in this state.
(j) A licensee shall clearly and conspicuously display on its website a statement indicating that it is illegal for a person under 21 years of age to engage in sports wagering in this state.
(k) The corporation shall promulgate rules and regulations for purposes of regulating sports wagering via interactive sports wagering.

50-27-155.
(a) Licensees shall allow bettors to restrict themselves from placing wagers with the licensee, including limits on the amounts wagered, and take reasonable steps to prevent those bettors from placing such wagers. At the request of a bettor, a licensee may share the request with the corporation for the sole purpose of disseminating the request to other licensees.
(b) The corporation shall promulgate rules and regulations that require a licensee to implement responsible sports wagering programs that include comprehensive training on responding to circumstances in which individuals present signs of a gambling disorder.
(c) The corporation shall work with national and local organizations to provide services for individuals with problem gambling or a gambling disorder and to establish prevention initiatives to reduce the number of individuals with problem gambling or a gambling disorder, including, but not limited to, utilizing currently established programs for problem gambling or gambling disorders.
(d) The corporation shall annually generate a report outlining activities with respect to problem gambling and gambling disorders, including, but not limited to, descriptions of programs, grants, and other resources made available; the number of individuals seeking assistance; the number of individuals who reported completing programs and therapies; and the rate of recidivism, if known to the corporation. The corporation shall file the annual report with the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives and shall publish the report on its website no later than January 1 of each year.

50-27-156.
(a) Each licensee shall adopt and adhere to a written, comprehensive policy outlining its rules governing the acceptance of wagers and payouts. Such policy and rules must be approved by the corporation prior to the acceptance of a wager by a licensee. Such

policy and rules must be readily available to a bettor on the licensee's website.
(b) The corporation shall promulgate rules and regulations regarding:
(1) The manner in which a licensee accepts wagers from and issues payouts to bettors, including payouts in excess of $10,000.00; and
(2) Reporting requirements for suspicious wagers.

50-27-157.
(a) The corporation, licensees, corporation vendors, and vendors shall use commercially reasonable efforts to cooperate with investigations conducted by any sports governing body, any sporting events operator, and law enforcement agencies, including, but not limited to, using commercially reasonable efforts to provide or facilitate the provision of anonymized account level betting information and audio or video files relating to individuals placing wagers. All disclosures under this Code section shall be subject to the obligation of a sports wagering operator to comply with all federal, state, and local laws and rules and regulations relating to privacy and personally identifiable information.
(b) Licensees shall promptly report to the corporation any information relating to:
(1) Criminal or disciplinary proceedings commenced against the licensee in connection with its operations;
(2) Abnormal betting activity or patterns that may indicate a concern with the integrity of a sporting event;
(3) Any potential breach of the internal rules and codes of conduct of a sports governing body or sporting events operator pertaining to sports wagering to the extent that such rules or codes of conduct are provided to the licensee by the sports governing body or sporting events operator or are otherwise known to the licensee;
(4) Conduct that corrupts the betting outcome of a sporting event for purposes of financial gain, including match fixing; and
(5) Suspicious or illegal wagering activities, including cheating, use of funds derived from illegal activity, wagers to conceal or launder funds derived from illegal activity, use of agents to place wagers, and use of false identification.
(c) Licensees shall as soon as is practicable report any information relating to conduct described in paragraphs (2) through (4) of subsection (b) of this Code section to the relevant sports governing body or sporting events operator.
(d) Licensees shall use commercially reasonable efforts to maintain, in real time and at the account level, anonymized information regarding a bettor; the amount and type of bet; the time the bet was placed; the location of the bet, including the internet protocol address if applicable; the outcome of the bet; and records of abnormal betting activity. The corporation may request such information in the form and manner as required by rules and regulations of the corporation. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'real time' means on a commercially reasonable periodic interval.
(e) All records, documents, and information received by the corporation pursuant to this Code section shall be considered investigative records of a law enforcement agency, shall not be subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of this title, and shall not be

released under any condition without the permission of the person providing such records, documents, or information.

(f) Nothing in this Code section shall require a sports wagering operator to provide any information that is prohibited by federal, state, or local laws or rules and regulations, including without limitation laws and rules and regulations relating to privacy and personally identifiable information.

(g) If a sports governing body or sporting events operator has notified the corporation that real-time information sharing for wagers placed on its sporting events is necessary and desirable, licensees shall share the same information with the sports governing body or sporting events operator, or a designee of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, with respect to wagers on sporting events of such sports governing body or sporting events operator. A sports governing body or sporting events operator, or a designee of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, shall only use information received under this subsection for integrity-monitoring purposes and shall not use such information for any other purpose. Nothing in this subsection shall require a licensee to provide any information that is prohibited by federal, state, or local laws, rules, or regulations, including, but not limited to laws, rules, or regulations relating to privacy and personally identifiable information.

50-27-158.

(a) Except as provided under subsection (b) of this Code section, a licensee may use any data source for determining the results of all live betting.

(b)(1) A sports governing body or sporting events operator headquartered in the United States may notify the corporation that it desires licensees to use official league data for determining the results of live betting. A notification under this subsection shall be made in the form and manner as the corporation shall require. The corporation shall notify each licensee within five days after receipt of such notification from a sports governing body or sporting events operator. If a sports governing body or sporting events operator does not notify the corporation of its desire to supply official league data, a licensee may use any data source for determining the results of any live betting on athletic events of that sports governing body or sporting events operator.

(2) Within 60 days after the corporation notifies each licensee of the desire of a sports governing body or sporting events operator to require official league data as provided under paragraph (1) of this subsection, each such licensee shall be required to use only official league data to determine the results of live betting on sporting events sanctioned by such sports governing body or sporting events operator, except when:

(A) The sports governing body or sporting events operator, or a designee of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, is unable to provide a feed of official league data to determine the results of a particular type of live betting, in which case licensees may use any data source for determining the results of the applicable live betting until the data feed becomes available on commercially reasonable terms; or

(B) A licensee is able to demonstrate to the corporation that, within 30 days of making a written request, the sports governing body or sporting events operator, or a designee of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, will not provide a feed of official league data to the licensee on commercially reasonable terms.

(3) The corporation may consider the following factors in evaluating whether official league data is being provided by the sports governing body or sporting events operator on commercially reasonable terms:

(A) The availability of official league data of a sports governing body or a sporting events operator on live betting to a licensee from more than one authorized source;

(B) Market information regarding the purchase by licensees of comparable data for the purpose of settling sports wagers, for use in this state or other jurisdictions;

(C) The nature and quantity of data, including the quality and complexity of the process used for collecting such data;

(D) The extent to which sports governing bodies or sporting events operators, or designees of sports governing bodies or sporting events operators, have made data used to determine the results of live betting available to licensees; and

(E) Any other factors considered by the corporation to be relevant and proper to its determination.

(4) While the corporation is determining whether a feed of official league data has been provided on commercially reasonable terms pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection, a licensee may use any data source for determining the results of any live betting.

(5) The corporation shall make a determination under paragraph (2) of this subsection within 120 days after the licensee notifies the corporation that it desires to demonstrate that the sports governing body or sporting events operator, or a designee of such sports governing body or sporting events operator, will not provide a feed of official league data to such licensee on commercially reasonable terms.

Part 5

50-27-170.

(a) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, a licensee shall only pay a privilege tax on its adjusted gross income in accordance with this Code section.

(b) There shall be imposed upon the adjusted gross income of a licensee a tax of 16 percent.

(c) The tax imposed under this Code section shall be paid monthly by a licensee based on its monthly adjusted gross income for the immediately preceding calendar month. The tax shall be paid to the corporation in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the corporation. If the licensee's adjusted gross income for a month is a negative number, such licensee may carry over such negative amount to returns filed for subsequent months.

(d) All of the tax collected under this Code section shall be distributed by the corporation to the general fund of the state treasury for deposit into the Lottery for

Education Account established pursuant to Code Section 50-27-13.

Part 6

50-27-180.

(a) Each licensee shall report to the corporation, no later than January 15 of each year:

(1) The total amount of wagers received from bettors for the immediately preceding calendar year;

(2) The adjusted gross income of the licensee for the immediately preceding calendar year; and

(3) Any additional information required by rules and regulations of the corporation deemed in the public interest or necessary to maintain the integrity of sports wagering in this state.

(b) A licensee shall promptly report to the corporation any information relating to:

(1) The name of any newly elected officer or director of the board of the licensed entity; and

(2) The acquisition by any person of 10 percent or more of any class of corporate stock.

(c) With respect to information reported under subsection (b) of this Code section, a licensee shall include with the report a statement of any conflict of interest that may exist as a result of such election or acquisition.

(d) Upon receiving a report under this Code section or subsection (b) of Code Section 50-27-157, the corporation may conduct a hearing in accordance with Code Section 50-27-183 to determine whether the licensee remains in compliance with this article.

50-27-181.

Members of the corporation or designated employees thereof may, during normal business hours, enter the premises of any facility of a licensee or third party utilized by the licensee to operate and conduct business in accordance with this article for the purpose of inspecting books and records kept as required by this article, to ensure that the licensee is in compliance with this article, or to make any other inspection of the premises necessary to protect the public interests of this state and its consumers.

50-27-182.

(a) The corporation shall conduct investigations to determine whether:

(1) A licensee is accepting wagers from minors or other persons ineligible to place wagers in this state; and

(2) An individual is unlawfully accepting wagers from another individual without a license or at a location in violation of this article.

(b) After a hearing under Code Section 50-27-183, if the corporation finds that:

(1) A licensee is accepting wagers from minors or other persons ineligible to place wagers in this state, the corporation shall impose a fine against the licensee in the

following amount:
(A) For a first offense, $1,000.00;
(B) For a second offense, $2,000.00; and
(C) For a third or subsequent offense, $5,000.00; or
(2) An individual is unlawfully accepting wagers from another individual without a license, the corporation shall impose a fine against the individual in the following amount:
(A) For a first offense, $10,000.00;
(B) For a second offense, $15,000.00; and
(C) For a third or subsequent offense, $25,000.00.
(c) Nothing in this Code section shall prohibit the corporation from suspending, revoking, or refusing to renew the license of a licensee in accordance with Code Section 50-27-183.

50-27-183.
(a) The corporation may investigate and conduct a hearing with respect to a licensee upon information and belief that the licensee has violated this article or upon the receipt of a credible complaint from any person that a licensee has violated this article. The corporation shall conduct investigations and hearings in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the corporation.
(b) If the corporation determines that a licensee has violated any provision of this article or any rules and regulations of the corporation, the corporation may:
(1) Suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a license; and
(2) For any violation by a licensee, impose an administrative fine not to exceed $25,000.00 per violation.
(c) Except as provided in Code Section 50-27-182, the corporation shall promulgate rules and regulations establishing a schedule of administrative fines that may be assessed in accordance with subsection (b) of this Code section for each violation of this article.
(d) Fines assessed under this Code section must be accounted for separately for use by the corporation in a manner consistent with rules and regulations of the corporation.
(e) The corporation may issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant books, accounts, records, and documents for purposes of carrying out its duties under this article.

50-27-184.
(a) A licensee or other individual aggrieved by a final action of the corporation may appeal that decision to the Superior Court of Fulton County.
(b) The Superior Court of Fulton County shall hear appeals from decisions of the corporation and, based upon the record of the proceedings before the corporation, may reverse the decision of the corporation only if the appellant proves the decision to be:
(1) Clearly erroneous;
(2) Arbitrary and capricious;

(3) Procured by fraud;
(4) A result of substantial misconduct by the corporation; or
(5) Contrary to the United States Constitution, the Constitution of Georgia, or this article.
(c) The Superior Court of Fulton County may remand an appeal to the corporation to conduct further hearings.

50-27-185.
(a) It shall be unlawful for any individual or entity, directly or indirectly, to knowingly receive, supply, broadcast, display, or otherwise transmit material nonpublic information for the purpose of wagering on a sporting event or influencing another individual's or entity's wager on a sporting event.
(b) This Code section shall not apply to the dissemination of public information as news, entertainment, or advertising.
(c) Any person that violates this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

50-27-186.
(a) A licensee or other individual who violates this article shall be liable for a civil penalty of not more than $5,000.00 per violation, not to exceed $50,000.00 for violations arising out of the same transaction or occurrence, which must accrue to the corporation and may be recovered in a civil action brought by the Attorney General in the name of the corporation.
(b) The Attorney General may seek and obtain an injunction in a court of competent jurisdiction for purposes of enforcing this article.
(c) Costs shall not be taxed against the Attorney General or this state for actions brought under this Code section.

Part 7

50-27-200.
Bettors shall have certain rights as set forth in this part.

50-27-201.
Bettors shall have the right to access information necessary for making wagers, as well as information demonstrating that the licensee's offerings are administered legally and fairly in all respects. Such information includes but is not limited to:
(1) The handling of wagers;
(2) The odds and pertinent information used to calculate those odds;
(3) Payout amounts and schedule of payouts;
(4) Systems for reporting suspicions of fraud, such as internal reporting protocols and available legal actions;
(5) Prohibition of certain parties with an interest in or ability to affect the outcome of a sporting event from wagering on such sporting events;

(6) Contact information for the licensee; and
(7) Resources for problem gambling, expressed in a clear and easily accessible manner.

50-27-202.
Bettors shall have the right to privacy and protection of their personally identifiable information and to the security of their funds and financial activities on sports betting platforms.

50-27-203.
Bettors shall be provided with easy access, through their preferred sports betting platform, to resources about the warning signs and treatment of gambling addictions. Licensees shall be proactive in preventing at-risk customers from becoming problem gamblers by implementing responsible gaming programs, trainings, and other practices to help bettors participate responsibly.

50-27-204.
A bettor shall have the right to recourse against a licensee in the event he or she believes a transaction or other interaction has been mishandled. Such recourse is essential to establish the credibility of sports betting and to maintain consumer trust. Bettors shall have the right to seek relief as may be provided in this article and by rules and regulations of the corporation. Licensees shall provide a clear, expeditious protocol to address concerns raised by bettors."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, is amended by revising paragraph (55) of Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions from state sales and use taxes, as follows:
"(55) The sale of lottery tickets or wagers authorized by Chapter 27 of Title 50;"

**PART IV**
**SECTION 4-1.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4-2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities substitute to SB 142 (LC 36 4721S) by replacing* "an effective date" *with* "a contingent effective date" *on line 13.*

*By replacing lines 1034 and 1035 with the following:*
Provided that an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia authorizing sports betting or sports wagering is passed by the General Assembly and ratified by the voters in the 2022 general election, this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2023.

Senator Rahman of the 5th offered the following amendment #2:

Amend the committee substitute to SB 142 (LC 36 4721S) by striking line 402 and replacing it with:
"there is no maximum limitation; provided however that at least one third of all licenses shall be issued to a minority business."

Senator Brass of the 28th offered the following amendment #2A:

Amend Amendment 2 to the committee substitute to SB 142 (LC 36 4721S) by striking "business" on line 5 inserting "owned, veteran owned, and female owned businesses"

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the Cowsert amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #2A, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #2A, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2A, the yeas were 37, nays 13, and the amendment to amendment #2 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #2 as amended, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Miller of the 49th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment as amended, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2 as amended, the yeas were 24, nays 26, and the amendment to the committee substitute was lost.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| N Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 34, nays 17.

SB 142, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 220. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 220 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 220, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 220. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 220:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**
This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "The Georgia Civics Renewal Act."

**SECTION 2.**
Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, is amended by adding a new part to read as follows:

"Part 10

20-14-95.

(a) There is created the Georgia Commission on Civics Education.

(b) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the commission shall promote and enhance the education of students on the importance of civic involvement in a constitutional republic, the study of state and local government among the state's citizenry, the importance of civic engagement and public service, and communication and collaboration among organizations in the state that conduct civics education.

(c)(1) The commission shall consist of 15 members comprising one member from the Senate majority caucus, one member from the Senate minority caucus, one member from the House of Representatives majority caucus, one member from the House of Representatives minority caucus, one Justice of the Supreme Court, the Attorney General, one designee from the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, one designee from the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the State School Superintendent or his or her designee, one other member as determined by the President of the Senate, one other member as determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one other member as determined by the Governor, two former or current government or civics teachers appointed by the Governor, and one representative from the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement appointed by the Governor.

(2) Vacancies in the commission shall be filled the same as the original appointments.

(3)(A) Legislative members of the commission shall serve two-year terms concurrent with their terms as members of the General Assembly.

(B) Nonlegislative members of the commission shall serve two-year terms concurrent with those terms of legislative members of the commission.

(d) The Governor shall designate the chairperson of the commission. The chairperson shall serve as such concurrent with his or her term as a member of the commission.

(e)(1) The commission shall periodically review the conditions, needs, issues, and problems related to civics education in Georgia schools, including, but not limited to, career, technical, and agricultural education (CTAE) instruction for the government and public administration and the law, public safety, corrections, and security pathways, and shall issue annually a report on the same to the General Assembly, and recommend any action or legislation which the commission deems necessary or appropriate.

(2) The commission may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this Code section. The commission shall meet upon the call of the chairperson. The commission shall meet not less than two nor more than four times annually.

(3) The legislative members of the commission shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8. Any citizen members shall receive a daily expense allowance in the amount specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state employees. Any members of the commission who are state officials, other than legislative members, and

state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the commission, but they shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the commission in the same manner as they are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees. The funds necessary for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to the Department of Education for this purpose. All other funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this Code section shall come from funds appropriated to the House of Representatives and the Senate. The expenses and allowances authorized by this paragraph shall not be received by members of the commission for more than four days annually.

(f) The head of the social studies program of the Department of Education shall report annually to the commission regarding the conditions, needs, issues, and problems of the program. Such report shall include a statement of efforts undertaken by the Department of Education to inform and encourage local school systems to recruit and utilize supplemental resources from appropriate local and community organizations which promote civics and civics education as among their primary purposes.

(g) This part shall stand repealed on December 31, 2028."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |

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| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 45, nays 4.

SB 220, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 246. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, so as to provide for "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; to provide for exemptions applicable to learning pods; to provide for student attendance; to provide for administrative and judicial proceedings; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 246 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 246, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

SB 246. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, so as to provide for "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; to provide for exemptions applicable to learning pods; to provide for student attendance; to provide for administrative and judicial proceedings; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide

for legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Brass of the 28th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 246 (LC 49 0412) by deleting from line 28 the following:*
", including in a learning pod,"

*By deleting lines 57 through 60 and replacing in lieu thereof the following:*
"(7) Participation in a learning pod to facilitate a remote learning option offered by the student's primary education provider shall satisfy all mandatory attendance requirements provided for in Code Section 20-2-690.1."

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Brass amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 29, nays 16.

SB 246, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Due to a clerical error, Senator Seay of the 34th should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the passage of SB 246.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 92. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties regarding the regulation of controlled substances, so as to prohibit the sale to and by minors of drug products containing dextromethorphan; to provide for definitions; to provide for proper identification; to provide for a list of finished drug products; to provide for penalties; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for state regulation; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 92 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 92, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 92. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties regarding the regulation of controlled substances, so as to prohibit the sale to and by minors of drug products containing dextromethorphan; to provide for definitions; to provide for proper identification; to provide for a list of finished drug products; to provide for penalties; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for state regulation; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 92:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties regarding the regulation of controlled substances, so as to prohibit the sale to and by minors of drug products containing dextromethorphan; to provide for definitions; to provide for proper identification; to provide for a list of finished drug products; to provide for penalties; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for state regulation; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties regarding the regulation of controlled substances, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-13-30.7.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Finished drug product' means a drug legally marketed under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act that is in finished dosage form.

(2) 'Minor' means any individual under the age of 18 years.

(3) 'Person' means any natural person or any firm, partnership, company, corporation, or other entity.

(4) 'Proper identification' means any document issued by a governmental agency containing a description of the person, such person's photograph, or both, and giving such person's date of birth and includes, without being limited to, a passport, military identification card, driver's license, or identification card authorized under Code Sections 40-5-100 through 40-5-104. Proper identification shall not include a birth certificate.

(b)(1) It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly or willfully sell or trade a finished drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan to a minor.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any minor to purchase a finished drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan.

(c) A person making a retail sale of a finished drug product containing any quantity of dextromethorphan shall require and obtain proper identification from the purchaser before completing the sale; provided, however, that a person that provides online sales of such drug products for home delivery may accept a purchaser's declaration that he or she is an adult when such purchaser registers for the online sale and home delivery with the person making the sale, and such declaration shall satisfy the requirements of this subsection regarding requiring and obtaining proper identification.

(d) Any trade association representing manufacturers of over-the-counter finished drug

products containing dextromethorphan shall provide to any requesting retail business a list of the finished drug products containing dextromethorphan marketed by the trade association's members. A retail business may make a request to a trade association pursuant to this subsection only once per year.

(e)(1) Any person that violates paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor; provided, however, that a warning letter from local law enforcement shall be issued for a first violation.

(2) Any person that violates paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor; provided, however, that a warning letter from local law enforcement shall be issued for a first violation.

(3) The penalties contained in this subsection shall be the exclusive penalties in connection with a violation of this Code section, and a violation or violations shall not result in a licensing action against a person by any state, county, or municipal licensing board, department, or agency.

(f) With respect to any sale made by an employee of a retail business, the owner of the retail business shall be deemed to be in compliance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section if the owner:

(1) Had no actual knowledge of the sale; and

(2) Establishes and carries out an annual program of training for employees which is reasonably designed to prevent violations of paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(g) This Code section shall not be construed to:

(1) Impose any restriction on the placement of products in a specific place within a retail store or on consumers' direct access to finished drug products;

(2) Impose any requirement on the maintenance of transaction or verification records by any person in connection with the sale of dextromethorphan; or

(3) Apply to a medication containing dextromethorphan that is sold pursuant to a valid prescription.

(h) The authority to regulate dextromethorphan is reserved to the state, and, except as specifically provided by statute, no county, municipality, or consolidated government may enact or enforce an ordinance regulating the possession or sale of dextromethorphan.

(i) No person shall have a cause of action for any loss or damage caused by an act or omission by a person pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021, and shall apply to offenses committed on or after that date.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute

was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| E Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 44, nays 1.

SB 92, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Due to a clerical error, Senator Seay of the 34th should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the passage of SB 92.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 153. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th and Tillery of the 19th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for GOAL academies; to provide for definitions; to provide for partnerships to establish GOAL academies as charter schools; to provide for the transition of system-collaborative state

charter schools to GOAL academies; to provide for funding and for the calculation thereof; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 153 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 153, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 153. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th and Tillery of the 19th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for GOAL academies; to provide for definitions; to provide for partnerships to establish GOAL academies as charter schools; to provide for the transition of system-collaborative state charter schools to GOAL academies; to provide for funding and for the calculation thereof; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute for SB 153:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for GOAL academies; to provide for definitions; to provide for the establishment of GOAL academies as state chartered special schools; to provide for the transition of system-collaborative state charter schools to GOAL academies; to provide for funding and for the calculation thereof; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Graduation Opportunities and Advanced

Learning (GOAL) Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended in Article 2 of Chapter 4, relating to technical and adult education, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-4-37.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Charter petitioner' means one or more private individuals, private organizations, state or local public entities, or adult learning providers, or any group of these working in cooperation, that submits or initiates a petition to establish a GOAL academy as a state chartered special school pursuant to Article 31 of Chapter 2 of this title.

(2) 'GOAL academy' means a state chartered special school, as defined in Code Section 20-2-2062, authorized directly by the State Board of Education with a specialized focus on dropout recovery or high school credit recovery. Notwithstanding any provision of this Code section to the contrary, GOAL academies shall be ineligible for the alternative calculation of funding available to state charter schools pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2089.

(3) 'System-collaborative state charter school' means a charter school authorized by the State Charter Schools Commission and governed by a board of directors which shall include personnel of the local board or boards of education from the geographic region which the charter school serves. Notwithstanding any provision of this Code section to the contrary, such schools shall be ineligible for the alternative calculation of funding available to state charter schools pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2089.

(b) Each GOAL academy may operate with consultation and support of the local school system or systems from the geographic region which the GOAL academy serves; provided, however, that each such GOAL academy shall be governed by an independent board of directors. Nothing in this subsection shall preclude local school systems from providing input to a GOAL academy on an advisory basis or local school system officials from serving on the board of directors of GOAL academies.

(c) The Department of Education may make recommendations to the State Board of Education for the approval, denial, and renewal of GOAL academy charter petitions and specify the reasons for such recommendations. The State Board of Education shall consider such recommendations prior to approving or denying a charter petition for a GOAL academy.

(d)(1) The State Board of Education and the Department of Education shall establish a process to designate GOAL academies. The State Board of Education shall collaborate with the Department of Education and GOAL academies to develop and adopt a strategic growth plan for increasing student access to GOAL academies, promoting student success, and program sustainability. Beginning in the 2022-2023 school year, the State Board of Education may only approve new GOAL academies or expansion of existing GOAL academies in accordance with such strategic growth plan.

(2) Any designation process established pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection

shall require the charter petitioner to demonstrate how the proposed GOAL academy will increase graduation opportunities for traditional high school students, decrease dropout rates in local school systems, and provide high school credit recovery opportunities.

(3) System-collaborative state charter schools shall become GOAL academies. The State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Charter Schools Commission, shall provide for the transfer and designation of existing system-collaborative state charter schools to GOAL academies not later than July 1, 2021.

(e) The Department of Education shall be responsible for collecting and analyzing appropriate data from and about GOAL academies on matters consisting of, but not limited to, GOAL academy effectiveness.

(f) The State Board of Education shall be authorized to approve an attendance zone for a GOAL academy that includes one or more local school systems, or any portion thereof, or a state-wide attendance zone."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Article 31 of Chapter 2, relating to the Charter Schools Act of 1988, by adding a new subsection to Code Section 20-2-2068.1, relating to charter school funding, to read as follows:

"(j)(1) GOAL Academies will receive supplemental funding in addition to the QBE formula earnings as provided for in Code Section 20-2-161. The Department of Education, the Office of Planning and Budget, the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, and the House Budget and Research Office shall work in collaboration to submit, no later than November 1, 2021, a report and recommendation on an appropriate formula for the calculation of such supplemental funding to the chairpersons of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House Committee on Appropriations.

(2) The earnings for a student in a GOAL academy shall be equal to the earnings for any other student with similar student characteristics in a GOAL academy, regardless of the local school system in which the student resides or the school system in which the GOAL academy is located, and the Department of Education shall pay to each GOAL academy through appropriation of state funds an amount equal to the sum of:

(A) An amount equal to 90 percent of the state-wide average amount of the total revenues less federal revenues less state revenues other than equalization grants per full-time equivalent for all school systems; provided, however, that, if the average amount of the total revenues less federal revenues less state revenues other than equalization grants per full-time equivalent for the local school systems that comprise the attendance zone of the GOAL academy is less than the state-wide average amount of the total revenues less federal revenues less state revenues other than equalization grants per full-time equivalent for all school systems, then the greater of:

(i) The average amount of the total revenues less federal revenues less state revenues other than equalization grants per full-time equivalent for the local school systems that comprise the attendance zone of the GOAL academy; or

(ii) The average amount of the total revenues less federal revenues less state revenues other than equalization grants per full-time equivalent for the lowest five school systems ranked by assessed valuation per weighted full-time equivalent count, as determined by the Department of Education; and

(B) An amount equal to 25 percent of the state-wide average total capital revenue per full-time equivalent to provide computer hardware, software, associated technical equipment, and ongoing maintenance required and necessary for its students to participate in GOAL Academy programs.

(3) For the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years, GOAL academies shall not be subject to the full-time equivalent program count restriction provided for in subsection (h) of Code Section 20-2-154.1.

(4) No deduction shall be made to any state funding which a local school system is otherwise authorized to receive pursuant to this chapter as a direct result or consequence of the enrollment in a GOAL academy of a specific student or students who reside in the geographical area of the local school system.

(5) Funding for GOAL academies pursuant to this subsection shall be subject to appropriations by the General Assembly and such schools shall be treated consistently with all other public schools in this state, pursuant to the respective statutory funding formulas and grants."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| E Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 38, nays 8.

SB 153, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Due to a clerical error, Senator Seay of the 34th should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the passage of SB 153.

The following message was read from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the House:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend the Senate Rules to first read legislation and assign to committee. There was no objection and the consent was granted.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and

England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 156 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 156, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to

require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 156:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"34-2-3.1.

(a) There is created the office of the chief labor officer, who shall exercise the authority of the Commissioner of Labor in matters performed by the Commissioner as specified in this title. The actions of the chief labor officer shall have the same force and effect as the actions of the Commissioner of Labor, unless otherwise specifically provided in this title.

(b) In addition to the powers and authority granted to the chief labor officer in subsection (a) of this Code section, the chief labor officer shall also have the power, authority, and duty to:

(1) Provide timely reports relating to claims for unemployment compensation benefits as required under Code Section 34-8-70;

(2) Develop and implement a strategy to improve the reliability and timeliness of service to the citizens of Georgia regarding the proper payment of unemployment insurance benefits;

(3) Develop and make accessible a consent form providing access to citizens of Georgia and their elected representatives to certain information and records under Code Section 34-8-125; and

(4) Provide timely reports and responses to any financial audits of the Department of Labor.

(c) The chief labor officer shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate Committee on Government Oversight, and shall hold no other state office. He or she shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The chief labor officer shall be required to take and subscribe before the Governor an oath to discharge faithfully and impartially the duties of such office, which oath shall be in addition to the oath required of all civil officers.
(d) The chief labor officer shall receive a salary as determined by the Governor and paid from funds appropriated to the Department of Labor.
(e) The chief labor officer may be required by the Governor to give bond not to exceed the amount of any bond as may be required for the Commissioner of Labor. The premium on the bond shall be paid as an expense of the Department of Labor.
(f) This Code section shall stand repealed on January 9, 2023."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent that SB 156 be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and SB 156 was placed on the Table.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 163. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hatchett of the 50th, Jones II of the 22nd and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 163 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 163, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 163. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hatchett of the 50th, Jones II of the 22nd and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 163:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for a sunset date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 38-3-61, relating to declaration of judicial emergency, duration of judicial emergency declaration, and designation of alternative facility in lieu of court, as follows:

"(b) Except as provided in subsection (b) of Code Section 38-3-62, an ~~An~~ order declaring the existence of a judicial emergency shall be limited to an initial duration of not more than 30 days; provided, however, that the order may be modified or extended for no more than two periods not exceeding 30 days each unless a public health emergency exists as set forth in Code Section 38-3-51, in which case the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia may extend the emergency order for so long as such emergency exists, as declared by the Governor. Any modification or extension of the initial order shall require information regarding the same matters set forth in subsection (a) of this Code section for the issuance of the initial order."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended by revising Code Section 38-3-62, relating to suspension or tolling of deadlines and time schedules in event of judicial emergency, as follows:

38-3-62.

(a) An authorized judicial official in an order declaring a judicial emergency, or in an order modifying or extending a judicial emergency order, is authorized to suspend, toll, extend, or otherwise grant relief from deadlines or other time schedules or filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, whether in civil or criminal cases or administrative matters, including, but not limited to:

(1) A statute of limitation;

(2) The time within which to issue a warrant;

(3) The time within which to try a case for which a demand for speedy trial has been filed;

(4) The time within which to hold a commitment hearing;

(5) A deadline or other schedule regarding the detention of a juvenile;

(6) The time within which to return a bill of indictment or an accusation or to bring a matter before a grand jury;

(7) The time within which to file a writ of habeas corpus;

(8) The time within which discovery or any aspect thereof is to be completed;

(9) The time within which to serve a party;

(10) The time within which to appeal or to seek the right to appeal any order, ruling, or other determination; and

(11) Such other legal proceedings as determined to be necessary by the authorized judicial official.

(b)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'statutory speedy trial requirements' means all speedy trial deadlines, time schedules, or filing requirements imposed by Code Section 17-7-170 or 17-7-171.

(2)(A) A chief judge of a Georgia superior court judicial circuit or a chief judge of a Georgia state court may suspend, toll, extend, modify, or otherwise grant relief from statutory speedy trial requirements following a judicial emergency if compliance with such requirements is impracticable, subject to the requirements under subparagraph (B) of this paragraph.

(B) Relief under this subsection shall be authorized if a chief judge certifies that under the totality of the circumstances arising from the preceding judicial emergency, compliance with statutory speedy trial requirements is impracticable in the applicable county or court following a judicial emergency due to one or more of the following factors:

(i) A pending criminal case volume that is substantially above the average pending criminal case volume at the end of each of the three full calendar years preceding the judicial emergency;

(ii) An annualized criminal case clearance rate in the current calendar year that is

substantially below the average criminal case clearance rate for each of the three full calendar years preceding the judicial emergency;

(iii) The number of speedy trial demands pending within one month of the date of certification;

(iv) The number of jury trials held during the last full term of court;

(v) Ongoing space limitations or other health or safety concerns regarding the use of the facilities available to conduct criminal trials and related activities;

(vi) The limited availability of judges, courtroom personnel, prosecutors, public defenders, expert witnesses, forensic analysis, law enforcement officers, or other relevant persons;

(vii) The extent of efforts made by prosecuting attorneys and the court to reduce the number of criminal defendants held in custody awaiting trial; or

(viii) Other relevant facts that justify ongoing relief from statutory speedy trial requirements.

(3) An order granting relief under this subsection shall be accompanied by a certification that compliance with statutory speedy trial requirements is impracticable in the applicable county or court. Each time a chief judge issues an order granting relief under this subsection, he or she shall:

(A) Certify that compliance with statutory speedy trial requirements is impracticable in the applicable county or court; or

(B) Attach such certification provided by either:

(i) A majority of the superior court judges in his or her judicial circuit pursuant to paragraph (6) of this subsection; or

(ii) A majority of the state court judges in his or her county pursuant to paragraph (8) of this subsection.

(4) Each certification issued pursuant to paragraph (3) of this subsection shall include the following:

(A) Supporting statistical data and findings of fact to justify relief under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(B) A plan to resolve cases in which a statutory speedy trial demand has been filed as expeditiously as possible. The plan shall establish an order of priority in which such cases will be called for trial, giving highest priority to such cases of defendants who have been held in custody for the longest time as a result of the charges in the case. The plan shall also state the number of trial weeks scheduled for each judge in the applicable county or court during the period of relief granted under this subsection.

(5) A chief judge of a superior court judicial circuit acting under this subsection:

(A) May act independently of any emergency declared by the Governor;

(B) May grant relief from statutory speedy trial requirements in a superior court for a county in his or her judicial circuit;

(C) May act in his or her own discretion; and

(D) Shall act upon the request of a majority of the active superior court judges in his or her judicial circuit pursuant to paragraph (6) of this subsection.

(6) A chief judge of a superior court judicial circuit shall grant relief from speedy trial requirements in a superior court for a county in his or her judicial circuit if such action is requested by a majority of the active superior court judges in his or her judicial circuit. Any such request shall be in writing and be accompanied by the certification required in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(7) A chief judge of a state court acting under this subsection:

(A) May act independently of any emergency declared by the Governor;

(B) May grant relief from statutory speedy trial requirements in his or her state court;

(C) May act in his or her own discretion; and

(D) Shall act upon the request of a majority of the active state court judges in his or her county pursuant to paragraph (8) of this subsection.

(8) A chief judge of a state court shall grant relief from speedy trial requirements in his or her state court if such action is requested by a majority of the active state court judges in his or her county. Any such request shall be in writing and be accompanied by the certification required in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(9) Each period of relief granted under this subsection:

(A) Shall not exceed a total of eight months; and

(B) Shall end on the last day of a term of court.

(10) The total period of relief granted under this subsection shall not exceed twice the total duration of the preceding judicial emergency.

(11) Each time a chief judge issues an order granting relief under this subsection, he or she shall provide notice of such action to judicial officials and the public in the same manner provided in Code Section 38-3-63, except that such notice shall also include the certification required under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(12) The Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court may, by order and in his or her sole discretion, reinstate any statutory speedy trial requirement subject to an order granting relief under this subsection. The Chief Justice shall provide notice of such action to judicial officials and the public in the same manner provided in Code Section 38-3-63. If the Chief Justice takes such action, a chief judge shall not grant subsequent relief from statutory speedy trial requirements in the applicable county or court following the same judicial emergency unless subsequent relief is reauthorized by the Chief Justice.

(13) Nothing in this subsection shall relieve the state of its constitutional obligation to provide for a speedy and public criminal trial.

(14) This subsection shall be in effect until June 30, 2023, and no order granting relief under this subsection shall be issued after such date."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 2.

SB 163, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Due to a clerical error, Senator Seay of the 34th should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the passage of SB 163.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 200. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Jackson of the 2nd, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency powers of the governor, so as to provide that certain business and religious institutions may continue or resume operations if in compliance with applicable safety procedures

during certain states of emergency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 200 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 200, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 200. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Jackson of the 2nd, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency powers of the governor, so as to provide that certain business and religious institutions may continue or resume operations if in compliance with applicable safety procedures during certain states of emergency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight offered the following substitute to SB 200:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency powers of the Governor, so as to provide for the continued operation of religious institutions during states of emergency; provide that certain businesses may continue or resume operations if in compliance with applicable safety procedures during states of emergency; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency powers of the governor, is amended by adding new Code Sections to read as follows:

"38-3-59.

A church, mosque, synagogue, or other religious institution may continue operations and all activities attendant to the free exercise of religious beliefs during a state of emergency declared pursuant to this article.

38-3-59.1.
During a state of emergency declared pursuant to this article, a business may continue or resume its operations, provided that such business complies with all safety precautions and procedures issued or ordered by the Governor under the authority of this article."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 29, nays 19.

SB 200, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Due to a clerical error, Senator Seay of the 34th should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the passage of SB 200.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 165. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to exempt fully autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; to provide for compliance; to remove requirement for use of strobe light while operating a low-speed vehicle; to provide for means of operation of vehicle brakes and parking brakes; to revise exhaust system requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 165 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 165, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 165. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to exempt fully autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; to provide for compliance; to remove requirement for use of strobe light while operating a low-speed vehicle; to provide for means of operation of vehicle brakes and parking brakes; to revise exhaust system requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Transportation offered the following substitute to SB 165:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to require the display of a reflective emblem or the use of strobe light while operating a slow-moving or low-speed vehicle; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, is amended by revising Code Section 40-8-4, relating to emblem to be displayed on certain slow-moving vehicles or equipment operating on public roads, as follows:

"40-8-4.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate upon the public roads of this state any slow-moving vehicle or equipment, any farm trailer or semitrailer which is used for agricultural purposes and which would otherwise be exempt from this article as an implement of husbandry under Code Section 40-8-1, any animal drawn vehicle, or any machinery designed for use and generally operated at speeds less than 25 miles per hour, including all road construction or maintenance equipment and machinery except when engaged in actual construction or maintenance procedures and all other construction equipment and machinery, unless there is displayed on the rear thereof an emblem which shall comply with subsection (b) of this Code section or an amber strobe light operated in compliance with Code Section 40-8-35. It shall also be unlawful to operate upon the public roads of this state without such an emblem any three-wheeled motorcycle used only for agricultural purposes unless such three-wheeled motorcycle is licensed as required by Chapter 2 of this title and is in compliance with all other requirements of this chapter.

(b) The emblem required by subsection (a) of this Code section shall conform with those standards and specifications adopted for slow-moving vehicles by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers in December, 1966, and contained within such society's standard ASAE S276.1, or shall be an emblem of the same shape and size painted on such vehicle in a bright and conspicuous retroreflective red orange paint. Such emblem shall be mounted on the rear of such vehicles, in the approximate horizontal geometric center of the vehicle, at a height of three to five feet above the roadway, and shall be maintained at all times in a clean and reflective condition.

(c) Any person violating this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall apply to any self-propelled, two-wheeled vehicle."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 40-8-35, relating to operating low-speed vehicles on highway requires amber strobe light, as follows:

"40-8-35.

Any low-speed vehicle operated on the highways of this state without a properly affixed emblem conforming to the requirements of Code Section 40-8-4 shall display an amber strobe light so as to warn approaching travelers to decrease their speed because of the danger of colliding with such vehicle. Such amber strobe light shall be mounted in a manner so as to be visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of

500 feet from the front and rear of such vehicle."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

SB 165, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Due to a clerical error, Senator Seay of the 34th should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the passage of SB 165.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 210. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Miller of the 49th, Payne of the 54th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor vehicles; to provide for certain exceptions to the issuance of license plates, application for motor vehicle registration, and the design and display of license plates and revalidation decals; to provide for procedures, conditions, and standards for the issuance and display of digital license plates on motor vehicles; to provide for duties and rights of digital license plate providers; to authorize the adoption of rules and regulations by the Department of Revenue in relation to such license plates and providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 210 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 210, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 210. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Miller of the 49th, Payne of the 54th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor vehicles; to provide for certain exceptions to the issuance of license plates, application for motor vehicle registration, and the design and display of license plates and revalidation decals; to provide for procedures, conditions, and standards for the issuance and display of digital license plates on motor vehicles; to provide for duties and rights of digital license plate providers; to authorize the adoption of rules and regulations by the Department of Revenue in relation to such license plates and providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Science and Technology offered the following substitute to SB 210:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor

vehicles; to provide for certain exceptions to the issuance of license plates, application for motor vehicle registration, and the design and display of license plates and revalidation decals; to provide for procedures, conditions, and standards for the issuance and display of digital license plates on motor vehicles; to provide for duties and rights of digital license plate providers; to authorize the adoption of rules and regulations by the Department of Revenue in relation to such license plates and providers; to provide for surrender of such plates under certain circumstances; to provide for a report to the General Assembly; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is amended in Code Section 40-2-1, relating to definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor vehicles, by adding new paragraphs to read as follows:

"(3.1) 'Digital license plate' means a license plate which receives wireless data communication to display information electronically.

(3.2) 'Digital license plate provider' means a person approved by the commissioner as a vendor of digital license plate hardware and services to motor vehicle owners pursuant to this article."

"(5.1) 'License plate' means a sign affixed to a motor vehicle which displays a series of letters or numbers or both indicating that the vehicle has been registered with this state. Such sign may be in a material made of metal or paper or a device which allows information to be presented electronically in a digital format."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-2-4, relating to prohibition on the manufacture of plates and decals, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) ~~It~~ Except as otherwise provided for in Article 2B of this chapter, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to make, sell, or issue any license plate or revalidation decal."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-2-26, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance coverage, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) Application shall be made by the owner of the vehicle upon blanks prepared by the commissioner for such purposes. The application shall contain a statement of the name, place of residence, and address of the applicant; a brief description of the vehicle to be registered, including its name and model, the name of the manufacturer, the manufacturer's vehicle identification number, and its shipping weight and carrying capacity; from whom, where, and when the vehicle was purchased; the total amount of

all liens, if any, thereon, with the name and address of the lienholder; and such other information as the commissioner may require. In addition, the commissioner shall provide to an applicant an opportunity to designate an alternative emergency contact telephone number that shall be made available to a law enforcement officer making a vehicle tag inquiry in the course of conducting official law enforcement business. Such application shall include a method for indicating whether the application is for a digital license plate issued pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-2-31, relating to the design, costs of manufacture, delivery, and retention of fees for five-year and annual license plates and revalidation, county, and "In God We Trust" decals, as follows:

"40-2-31.

(a) If the applicant meets the requirements set forth in this chapter, the commissioner shall issue to the applicant a license plate bearing a distinctive number or a distinctive number to be displayed electronically upon a license plate by a digital license plate provider pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter.

(b) Such license plates shall be at least six inches wide and not less than 12 inches in length, except motorcycle license plates which shall be at least four inches wide and not less than seven inches in length, and shall show in boldface characters the month and year of expiration, the serial number, and either the full name or the abbreviation of the name of the state, shall designate the county from which the license plate was issued unless specifically stated otherwise in this chapter, and shall show such other distinctive markings as in the judgment of the commissioner may be deemed advisable, so as to indicate the class of weight of the vehicle for which the license plate was issued; and any license plate for a low-speed vehicle shall designate the vehicle as such. Such plates may also bear such figures, characters, letters, or combinations thereof as in the judgment of the commissioner will to the best advantage advertise, popularize, and otherwise promote Georgia as the 'Peach State.' ~~The~~ Except for license plates issued pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter, the license plate shall be of such strength and quality that the plate shall provide a minimum service period of at least five years. The commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' for the design and issuance of new license plates and to implement the other provisions of this Code section.

(b.1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Code Sections 40-2-131 and 48-2-17, the commissioner shall retain the costs of manufacturing and delivery of license plates, revalidation decals, and county name decals from the registration fee as set forth in Code Section 40-2-151; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply to license plates issued pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter.

(c) ~~The~~ Except for license plates issued pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter, the face of the license plate to be displayed shall be treated completely with a retroreflective material which will increase the nighttime visibility and legibility of the plate. The department shall prepare the specifications which such retroreflective material shall

meet.

(d) In those years in which a new license plate is not issued and the license plate was not issued pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter, a revalidation decal with a distinctive serial number shall be issued and affixed in the space provided on the license plate issued to the applicant which shall indicate the year and month through which the registration of the vehicle shall be valid; provided, however, that if the commissioner determines that it is necessary, two revalidation decals shall be issued for each license plate to reflect the required information. When an applicant is issued a revalidation decal and such applicant registered the vehicle in another county the previous year, the applicant shall also be issued a new county decal which shall be properly affixed to the license plate and shall replace the other county decal.

(e) The commissioner shall furnish without cost to each tag agent reflective adhesive decals in sufficient number, upon which there shall be printed the name of the agent's county. Such a decal shall be issued with each metal license plate and shall be affixed in the space provided on the license plate without obscuring any number or other information required to be present on the plate. A tag agent shall offer, upon such issuance of a new ~~permanent~~ metal license plate, the option of obtaining a county decal or a decal providing for the nation's motto, 'In God We Trust.'

(f) A county tag agent shall issue a county name decal, upon request, for the agent's county only if:

(1) The applicant is a resident of or a business located in the county named on the decal;

(2) The applicant is registering a new vehicle in such county, is renewing a current vehicle registration, or is transferring registration of a vehicle to the county named on the decal; ~~and~~

(3) The application for registration of the vehicle is being made in the county named on the decal; and

(4) The license plate was not issued pursuant to Article 2B of this chapter.

(g) The commissioner shall furnish without cost to each tag agent reflective adhesive decals in sufficient number, upon which there shall be printed the nation's motto, 'In God We Trust.' A tag agent shall offer, upon such issuance of a new ~~permanent~~ metal license plate, the option of obtaining a county decal or a decal providing for the nation's motto, 'In God We Trust.' Such a decal shall be issued, upon request and free of charge, by a county tag agent with each new ~~permanent~~ metal license plate."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-2-33, relating to issuance of license plates and decals, payment and disposition of fees, compensation of tag agents, and required identification, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a)(1) Upon compliance with the provisions of this chapter and the payment of the license fee required by law, the tag agent shall accept the application for registration and, except as otherwise provided for in this chapter, if the license plate or revalidation decal applied for is in such tag agent's inventory, he or she shall issue the

appropriate plate or revalidation decal.
(2) The commissioner may provide for the issuance of a temporary license plate for any low-speed vehicle, to be displayed until such time as a license plate of the design required by Code Section 40-2-31 has been issued to the registrant as a replacement for such temporary license plate; provided, however, that any such temporary license plate shall designate the low-speed vehicle as such; and provided, further, that the commissioner shall make available for issuance low-speed vehicle license plates of the design required by Code Section 40-2-31 not later than September 1, 2002.
(3) If the metal license plate applied for is not in inventory, the application shall be approved and forwarded to the commissioner, who, upon receipt of a proper and approved application, shall issue the license plate applied for by mailing or delivering the plate to the applicant. Until the license plate is received by the applicant from the commissioner, the applicant may operate the vehicle without a license plate therefor upon the receipt issued to him or her by the tag agent.
(4) At the time of initial application for registration or at any time during the registration period, a vehicle owner may file with the county tag agent, on a form or electronic form prescribed by the commissioner, a request to have a vehicle license transferred to a digital license plate purchased from a digital license plate provider. Such request to the county tag agent shall include all applicable registration fees. Upon approving the application provided in this paragraph, the commissioner or county tag agent shall furnish the digital license plate provider with the appropriate licensing information to be displayed upon the digital license plate. In accordance with Code Section 40-2-8, a 45 day temporary operating permit shall be issued by the commissioner or county tag agent to an applicant for a digital license plate until such license is received by the applicant."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 2B

40-2-57.
(a) Any county tag agent with a satisfactory application for registration pursuant to Code Section 40-2-26 which indicates preference for a digital license plate shall inform the commissioner of such request. Upon a request by a digital license plate provider, the department shall transmit any required data to be displayed upon a digital license plate for an applicant to the digital license plate provider. A county tag agent shall ensure an applicant complies with the requirements for registration pursuant to this chapter.
(b) A motor vehicle owner with a digital license plate shall renew the registration annually as provided by this chapter. The department shall notify the digital license plate provider upon satisfactory renewal. Evidence of such renewal shall be displayed upon the digital license plate in a manner that indicates the year and month through

which the registration of the vehicle shall be valid. Compliance with this subsection shall satisfy the revalidation decal requirements of this chapter.
(c) A digital license plate provider shall be authorized to collect fees for the provision of digital license plate hardware and for services to such license plate. Such fees may include the cost for the manufacture of the digital license plate, the installation of the digital license plate, and any service or repair plan an applicant may elect to purchase.
(d) Except as provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section, nothing in this article shall exempt an applicant for a digital license plate from the requirements of Code Sections 40-2-8 and 40-2-20.

40-2-58.
(a) A digital license plate provider shall maintain an inventory of digital license plates in an amount determined to be adequate by the commissioner.
(b) The commissioner shall enter in agreements with any digital license plate provider that has been selected by the state to manufacture digital license plates for the State of Georgia. Such agreements shall grant a selected digital license plate provider the authorization to utilize any copyright or copyrights for special license plates as permitted under Code Sections 40-2-60.1, 40-2-86, and 40-2-86.1.
(c) Upon notice from the commissioner of a cancelled or revoked registration, a digital license plate provider shall terminate the electronic data transmitted to a digital license plate for such vehicle.
(d) Upon express written consent of a vehicle owner, a digital license plate provider shall be authorized to collect and disseminate data relating to location of a motor vehicle in accordance with the terms of any such agreement.

40-2-59.
The owner of a motor vehicle with a digital license plate may cancel a digital license plate by applying for a metal license plate with the county tag agent as provided for in this chapter and upon notification of cancellation to a digital license plate provider.

40-2-59.1.
A digital license plate provider shall be authorized to change the digital display or messaging of a digital license plate in compliance with rules and regulations of the department or upon request by a local authority or the department. The commissioner shall be authorized to develop rules and regulations relating to the digital displays, messaging, and personalization of digital license plates. Any rules and regulations relating to the display of emergency messages for the public or Levi's Call: Georgia's Amber Alert Program shall be adopted in consultation with the Department of Public Safety, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, and the Georgia Association of Broadcasters.

40-2-59.2.
On or before January 1, 2024, the commissioner shall submit a report on the

implementation of this article to the chairpersons of the Senate Public Safety Committee and the House Committee on Motor Vehicles.

40-2-59.3.
(a) On or before July 1, 2022, and prior to the issuance of any digital license plate, the commissioner shall promulgate and adopt rules and regulations necessary and appropriate to carry out this article and any other provisions of law relating to the issuance of digital license plates, including, but not limited to, approval of applications and fee collection. Such rules and regulations shall not become effective until October 1, 2022.
(b) The commissioner shall be authorized to issue digital license plates for the purpose of testing or studying the effectiveness of digital license plates."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-2-136, relating to surrender of license plates upon second or subsequent convictions of driving under the influence and special license plate for repeat driving under the influence offenders, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Upon any person's second or subsequent conviction of violating Code Section 40-6-391 within five years, as measured from the dates of previous arrests for which convictions were obtained to the date of the current arrest for which a conviction is obtained, the court shall issue an order requiring that the license plates of all motor vehicles registered in such person's name be surrendered to the court. The court shall notify the commissioner within ten days after issuing any such order, and the commissioner shall revoke each such license plate upon receiving such notice and, if such license plate is a digital license plate, shall inform the digital license plate provider of the revocation. The court shall issue a receipt for the surrendered license plate or plates. The court shall forward the surrendered license plate or plates to the local tag agent immediately upon receipt; provided, however, that if the surrendered license plate is a digital license plate, the court shall allow such person to retain the digital license plate. For purposes of this subsection, a plea of nolo contendere shall constitute a conviction."

**SECTION 8.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| N Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 30, nays 16.

SB 210, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

At 1:03 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 1:25 p.m.

At 1:31 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, called the Senate to order.

Senator Ginn of the 47th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 219. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Parent of the 42nd, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide for regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; to provide a definition; to permit small brewers to sell a limited quantity of malt beverages at retail on the premises for consumption on and off of the premises; to provide for the transfer of a limited quantity of malt beverages by small brewers and brewpubs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 219 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 219, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 219. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Parent of the 42nd, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide for regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; to provide a definition; to permit small brewers to sell a limited quantity of malt beverages at retail on the premises for consumption on and off of the premises; to provide for the transfer of a limited quantity of malt beverages by small brewers and brewpubs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to SB 219:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide for regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; to provide for the transfer of a limited quantity of malt beverages by brewers that may be sold at retail or at wholesale subject to certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is amended by revising Code Section 3-5-24.1, relating to exception to three-tier system, taxing, regulatory authority, and conditions or limitations, as follows:

"3-5-24.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Common ownership' means the same 100 percent common ownership interest including, but not limited to, ownership of the stock, limited liability company membership interest, limited liability partnership interest, other entity interest, or partnership interest, in whatever form such ownership interest may exist.

(2) 'Licensed premises' means the physical premises where brewer is licensed by the state as a manufacturer of malt beverages.

(3) 'Produces' means engaging in the material and essential aspects of the brewing process to manufacture malt beverage for human consumption; provided, however, when a brewer engages in the brewing process at multiple licensed premises, the malt beverage will be deemed to have been produced only at the licensed premises where such malt beverage first began fermentation through the chemical conversion of fermentable sugars into alcohol.

~~(a)~~(b) A limited exception to the provisions of this title providing a three-tier system for the distribution and sale of malt beverages shall exist to the extent that the license to manufacture malt beverages in this state shall include the right to sell ~~up to 3,000 barrels of~~ malt beverages ~~per year produced at~~ to individuals on the brewer's licensed premises ~~to individuals who are on such premises~~ for personal use and not for resale, subject to the following terms and conditions:

~~(1) Consumption on the premises; and~~

~~(2) Consumption off the premises, provided that such sales for consumption off the premises shall not exceed a maximum of 288 ounces of malt beverages per consumer per day.~~

(1) The brewer may only make sales of malt beverages to an individual while the individual is physically on the brewer's licensed premises where the brewer produces malt beverages;

(2) The brewer may make sales of malt beverages the brewer produces at the brewer's licensed premises where the individual is purchasing the malt beverages;

(3) As long as the brewer and all of the brewer's licensed premises are under common ownership, the brewer may make sales of malt beverages the brewer produces at any licensed premises of the brewer and subsequently transfers in compliance with the limitations and reporting obligations of subsection (c) of this Code section to the brewer's licensed premises for sale where the individual is purchasing the malt beverages;

(4) The brewer may only make sales of malt beverages for which the brewer is the sole owner of the brand and brand label;

(5) Sales for consumption on the premises are not subject to a daily maximum amount;

(6) Sales for consumption off the premises shall not exceed a maximum of 288 ounces of malt beverages per individual per day; and

(7) The maximum amount of malt beverages the brewer may sell pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section in each calendar year shall be 6,000 barrels in the aggregate among all brewer's licensed premises making such sales.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall be interpreted to prohibit a brewer from transferring any liquid, regardless of whether such liquid would be deemed to be malt beverages or not, to or from any of the brewer's licensed premises; provided, however, with respect to any malt beverages a brewer produces at one of the brewer's licensed premises and transfers to be sold to individuals pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code

section at another of the brewer's licensed premises, the maximum number of barrels of malt beverages permitted to be transferred from one licensed premises of the brewer to another licensed premises of the brewer shall not exceed the number of barrels of malt beverages the brewer produces under brands and brand labels for which the brewer is the sole owner at the licensed premises receiving the transferred malt beverages and the brewer shall file a report with the department every calendar quarter documenting all such transfers in such form as the department shall require.

~~(b)~~(d) A brewer may sell malt beverages pursuant to subsection ~~(a)~~ (b) of this Code section on all days and at all times that sales of malt beverages by retailers are lawful within the county or municipality in which the licensed premises of the brewer is located, including, but not limited to, Sundays.

~~(c)~~(e) Any brewer engaging in sales of malt beverages pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall remit all state and local sales, use, and excise taxes to the proper tax collecting authority.

~~(d)~~(f) The commissioner shall promulgate and enforce such rules and regulations as he or she may deem reasonable and necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Code section.

~~(e)~~(g) Upon a violation by a brewer of any provision of this Code section or this title or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, the commissioner shall have the power to place conditions or limitations on such brewer's license and to modify or amend such conditions or limitations."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Butler | E James | E Sims |

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| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 42, nays 1.

SB 219, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 143. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Cowsert of the 46th, Hickman of the 4th, Summers of the 13th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A RESOLUTION appointing the honorary position of General Assembly chaplain; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 143 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 143, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 143. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Cowsert of the 46th, Hickman of the 4th, Summers of the 13th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A RESOLUTION appointing the honorary position of General Assembly chaplain; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | N Mullis |

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|---|---|---|
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 39, nays 2.

SR 143, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 152. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state and other flags, so as to add language to the pledge of allegiance to the state flag; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 152 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 152, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 152. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the state and other flags, so as to add language to the pledge of allegiance to the state flag; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| E Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 30, nays 14.

SB 152, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 145. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to modify the petition requirements for initiating a referendum election for

the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to provide an additional method of initiating such a referendum election; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 145 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 145, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 145. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to modify the petition requirements for initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to provide an additional method of initiating such a referendum election; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Mullis of the 53rd and Harbison of the 15th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 145 (LC 36 4566) by deleting* "to provide an additional method of initiating such a referendum election;" *on line 5.*

*By deleting* "and the nullifications thereof" *on line 7.*

*By replacing lines 17 and 18 with the following:*
distilled spirits may be initiated upon a written petition containing the signatures

*By deleting* "ordinance, resolution, or" *on lines 21, 26, and 51.*

*By deleting* "or upon receipt of an ordinance or resolution" *on lines 36 and 37.*

*By deleting lines 54 through 64 and redesignating Section 4 as Section 3 on line 67.*

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Jackson of the 41st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | E Hufstetler | Rhett |
| N Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | N Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 18, nays 28, and the amendment was lost.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |

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| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 12.

SB 145, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/5/2021

I inadvertently voted yes on SB 145. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Harper of the 7th

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 236. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Jones of the 25th, Miller of the 49th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to allow food service establishments licensed to sell distilled spirits for consumption on the premises to sell mixed drinks for off-premises consumption in approved containers under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Commissioner of Revenue to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 236 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 236, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 236. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Jones of the 25th, Miller of the 49th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to allow food service establishments licensed to sell distilled spirits for consumption on the premises to sell mixed drinks for off-premises consumption in approved containers under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Commissioner of Revenue to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Brass of the 28th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 236 (LC 36 4693) by replacing line 36 with the following:*

date and time of such purchases;

(3) Sold for personal use and not for resale and picked up in person by the same individual customer to whom the mixed drinks and entrees were sold and from whom the food service establishment received payment; provided, however, that such individual customer shall not include a delivery service or third-party agent; and

*By redesignating paragraph 3 on line 37 as paragraph 4.*

Senator Brass of the 28th offered the following amendment #2:

*Amend SB 236 (LC 36 4693) by replacing* "4.5 ounces" *with* "3 ounces" *on line 27.*

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Robertson of the 29th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| N Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

Y Au
Y Beach
Y Brass
Burke
N Burns
Y Butler
Y Cowsert
Y Davenport
Y Dixon
Y Dolezal
Y Dugan
Y Ginn
E Gooch
Y Goodman
Y Halpern
Y Hatchett
Y Hickman
E Hufstetler
Y Jackson, K.
Y Jackson, L.
E James
Y Jones, B.
Y Jones, E.
Y Jones, H.
Y Jordan
E Kennedy
N Kirkpatrick
Y Lucas
E McNeill
Y Merritt
Y Payne
Y Rahman
Y Rhett
N Robertson
Y Seay
E Sims
N Strickland
N Summers
E Tate
N Thompson
E Tillery
Y Tippins
Y Walker
Y Watson

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 36, nays 9, and the amendment was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Robertson of the 29th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

Y Albers
Y Anavitarte
Y Anderson, L.
N Anderson, T.
Y Au
N Beach
Y Brass
Burke
N Burns
Y Butler
Y Cowsert
Davenport
Y Dixon
Y Dolezal
Y Dugan
Y Ginn
E Gooch
Y Harbin
Y Harbison
Harper
Y Harrell
Y Hatchett
Y Hickman
E Hufstetler
N Jackson, K.
Y Jackson, L.
E James
Y Jones, B.
Y Jones, E.
Jones, H.
Y Jordan
E Kennedy
Y Kirkpatrick
Y Lucas
Miller (PRS)
Y Mullis
Y Orrock
Y Parent
Y Payne
Y Rahman
Y Rhett
N Robertson
Seay
E Sims
Y Strickland
N Summers
E Tate
N Thompson
E Tillery
Tippins
Y Walker

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| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the yeas were 34, nays 7, and the amendment was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 36, nays 10.

SB 236, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The President resumed the Chair.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 78. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 78 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 78, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 78. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 78:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, is amended by revising subsections (b) and (c) of Code

Section 16-11-90, relating to prohibition on nude or sexually explicit electronic transmissions, as follows:

"(b) A person violates this Code section if he or she, knowing the content of a transmission or post, knowingly and without the consent of the depicted person:

(1) Electronically transmits or posts, in one or more transmissions or posts, a photograph or video which depicts nudity or sexually explicit conduct of an adult, including a falsely created videographic or still image, when the transmission or post is harassment or causes financial loss to the depicted person and serves no legitimate purpose to the depicted person; ~~or~~

(2) Causes the electronic transmission or posting, in one or more transmissions or posts, of a photograph or video which depicts nudity or sexually explicit conduct of an adult, including a falsely created videographic or still image, when the transmission or post is harassment or causes financial loss to the depicted person and serves no legitimate purpose to the depicted person;

(3) Electronically transmits or posts in one or more transmissions or posts a photograph or video which depicts nudity or sexually explicit conduct of an adult, including a falsely created videographic or still image, to a website, peer-to-peer file-sharing site, thumbnail gallery, movie gallery post, linked list, live webcam, web page, or message board which advertises or promotes its service as showing, previewing, or distributing sexually explicit conduct when the transmission or post is harassment or causes financial loss to the depicted person and serves no legitimate purpose to the depicted person; or

(4) Causes the electronic transmission or posting in one or more transmissions or posts of a photograph or video which depicts nudity or sexually explicit conduct of an adult, including a falsely created videographic or still image, to a website, peer-to-peer file-sharing site, thumbnail gallery, movie gallery post, linked list, live webcam, web page, or message board which advertises or promotes its service as showing, previewing, or distributing sexually explicit conduct when the transmission or post is harassment or causes financial loss to the depicted person and serves no legitimate purpose to the depicted person.

Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to impose liability on an interactive computer service, as such term is defined in 47 U.S.C. 230(f)(2), or an information service or telecommunications service, as such terms are defined in 47 U.S.C. 153, for content provided by another person.

(c)(1) Any person who violates paragraph (1) or (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature; provided, however, that upon a second or subsequent violation of this Code section, he or she shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than one nor more than five years, a fine of not more than $100,000.00, or both.

(2) Any person who violates paragraph (3) or (4) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than one nor more than 10 years, a fine of not more than

$200,000.00, or both."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 1.

SB 78, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Jackson of the 41st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 75. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 44-7-23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to termination of residential lease after issuance of civil family violence order or criminal family violence order, notice, and occupancy, so as to provide for lease terminations for victims of stalking; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 75 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 75, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 75. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 44-7-23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to termination of residential lease after issuance of civil family violence order or criminal family violence order, notice, and occupancy, so as to provide for lease terminations for victims of stalking; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 75:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding landlord and tenant, so as to provide for lease terminations for persons protected by civil stalking orders and criminal stalking orders; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding landlord and tenant, is amended by revising Code Section 44-7-23, relating to termination of residential lease after issuance of civil family violence order or criminal family violence order, notice, and occupancy, as follows:

"44-7-23.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Civil family violence order' means:

(A) Any protective order issued pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19, provided that the respondent was present or had notice of the hearing that resulted in the issuance of such order; or

(B) Any ex parte temporary protective order issued pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19, provided that ~~it~~ such order is accompanied by a police report showing a basis for such order.

(2) 'Civil stalking order' means:

(A) Any protective order issued pursuant to Code Section 16-5-94, provided that the respondent was present or had notice of the hearing that resulted in the issuance of such order; or

(B) Any ex parte temporary protective order issued pursuant to Code Section 16-5-94, provided that such order is accompanied by a police report showing a basis for such order.

(3) 'Criminal family violence order' means:

(A) Any order of pretrial release issued as a result of an arrest for an act of family violence; or

(B) Any order for probation issued as a result of a conviction or plea of guilty, nolo contendere, or first offender to an act of family violence.

(4) 'Criminal stalking order' means:

(A) Any order of pretrial release issued as a result of an arrest for an act of stalking under Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16; or

(B) Any order for probation issued as a result of a conviction or plea of guilty, nolo contendere, or first offender to an act of stalking under Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16.

(b) A tenant may terminate his or her residential rental or lease agreement for real estate effective 30 days after providing the landlord with a written notice of termination when a civil family violence order, civil stalking order, ~~or~~ criminal family violence order, or criminal stalking order has been issued:

(1) Protecting such tenant or his or her minor child; or

(2) Protecting such tenant when he or she is a joint tenant, or his or her minor child, even when such protected tenant had no obligation to pay rent to the landlord.

(c) The notice to the landlord pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall be accompanied by a copy of the applicable civil family violence order, civil stalking order, ~~or~~ criminal family violence order, or criminal stalking order and a copy of the police report if such order was an ex parte temporary protective order.

(d) Upon termination of a residential rental or lease agreement under this Code section, the tenant may occupy the real estate until the termination is effective. Such tenant shall be liable for the rent due under such agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination, payable at such time as would have otherwise been required by the terms of such agreement, and for any delinquent or unpaid rent or other sums owed to the landlord prior to the termination of such agreement. The tenant shall not be liable for

any other fees, rent, or damages due to the early termination of the tenancy as provided for in this Code section. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, if a tenant terminates a residential rental or lease agreement pursuant to this Code section 14 or more days prior to occupancy, no damages or penalties of any kind will be assessable.

(e) ~~This Code section shall apply to all residential real estate rental or lease agreements entered into on or after July 1, 2018, and to any renewals, modifications, or extensions of such agreements in effect on such date.~~ This Code section shall not be waived or modified by the agreement of the parties under any circumstances."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall apply to all residential real estate rental or lease agreements entered into on or after July 1, 2021, and to any renewals, modifications, or extensions of such agreements entered into on or after such date.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

SB 75, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dixon of the 45th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 39. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Honorable Charlotte Nash and dedicating an intersection in her honor; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 39 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 39, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 39. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Honorable Charlotte Nash and dedicating an intersection in her honor; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |

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| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

SR 39, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 8, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, March 8, 2021
Twenty-eighth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 44. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Greene of the 151st, Barr of the 103rd, Werkheiser of the 157th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe daylight savings time year round; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 92. By Representatives Gambill of the 15th, Mathis of the 144th, Gullett of the 19th, Barton of the 5th and Scoggins of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-10-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to disclosure of information contained in vital records and transfer of records to State Archives, so as to revise provisions regarding the transfer of vital records to State Archives; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 302. By Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Smith of the 133rd, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding specific, business, and occupation taxes, so as to require that the proceeds of local government regulatory fees be used to pay for regulatory activity and not general operations; to revise the list of professions which may be subject to such regulatory fees; to remove provisions authorizing calculation of regulatory fees for new construction, renovation, and other construction projects; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 316. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Gaines of the 117th, Lott of the 122nd and Corbett of the 174th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 26-4-82 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duties requiring professional judgment and responsibilities of a licensed pharmacist, so as to increase the pharmacist to pharmacy technician ratio for providing direct supervision at any time; to provide certain requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 328. By Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Gullett of the 19th, Parsons of the 44th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to telephone service general provisions, so as to establish a one-time right of way permit fee and reduce annual right of way use fees as due compensation paid to municipal authorities by telephone companies that do not have retail, end user customers located within the boundaries of the municipal authority; to provide certain notice requirements; to establish a civil penalty; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 333. By Representatives Efstration of the 104th, Holcomb of the 81st, Nix of the 69th and Smyre of the 135th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to revise the powers and duties of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission; to provide for and revise a short title; to revise definitions; to revise procedures for the initiation of complaints; to revise requirements for certain accounts, the disposition and expenditure of certain contributions, filings, registrations, and records of accounts; to revise how maximum contribution limits are implemented; to revise purposes

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A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending SK Innovation; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

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The following communications were transmitted by the Secretary:

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**ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334**

**DAVID A. COOK**
**SECRETARY OF THE SENATE**

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**To:** Members of the Senate

**From:** David Cook

**Date:** March 8, 2021

**Re:** GOVERNOR'S SUPPLEMENTAL APPOINTMENTS

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Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-3.1, I am notifying the Senate that an appointment made by the Governor that requires Senate confirmation has been received and referred to the Committee on Assignments. It is attached for your review.

The Committee on Assignments will report its recommendations on the appointment to the Senate after which the Senate may proceed to consider confirmation.

STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
ATLANTA 30334-0900

Brian P. Kemp
GOVERNOR

March 5, 2021

***VIA HAND DELIVERY***

The Honorable Geoff Duncan
Lieutenant Governor of Georgia
240 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

The Honorable Butch Miller
Senate President Pro Tempore
Georgia State Senate
321 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

Dear Lt. Governor Duncan, President Pro Tem Miller, and Secretary Cook:

The following appointment to the Board of Juvenile Justice requires Senate confirmation. This information is submitted pursuant to Senate Rules 3-3.1, *et seq*. If we can provide you with any additional information to assist your office in the confirmation process please let us know.

The Honorable Sandra Heath Taylor of Troup County, as a member of the Georgia Board of Juvenile Justice, for the term of office beginning 3/4/2021, and ending 7/6/2024.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,
/s/ Brian P. Kemp
Brian P. Kemp

Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-1.3, the appointment was referred to the Committee on Assignments.

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The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Anavitarte | Goodman | Miller |
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| Butler | Jackson, K. | Strickland |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Thompson |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Tillery |
| Dixon | Kennedy | Tippins |
| Dolezal | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Dugan | Lucas | Watson |
| Ginn | McNeill | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Hatchett (Excused) | Jackson, L. (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Jones II (Excused) | Orrock (Excused) | Parent (Excused) |
| Summers (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Jordan |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the chaplain of the day, Mr. John Simpson of Gainesville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Harbin of the 16th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Chris Walsh, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 199. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dolezal of the 27th, Cowsert of the 46th, Tippins of the 37th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the accomplishments of the 89 students and faculty of the University of North Georgia CyberHawks team for claiming 1st place in the 2019 and 2020 National Security Agency Codebreaker Challenge; and for other purposes.

SR 200. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending The Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 202. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Sims of the 12th, Davenport of the 44th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A RESOLUTION commending Mariette Dargan, Curriculum Associates' 2021 National Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross SB 62, SB 69, SB 71, SB 72, SB 213, SB 241, and SR 100, which were on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 34, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and SB 62, SB 69, SB 71, SB 72, SB 213, SB 241, and SR 100 were engrossed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross SB 74, SB 93, SB 141, SB 178, SB 199, SB 202, SB 232, and SB 253, which were on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |

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| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 34, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and SB 74, SB 93, SB 141, SB 178, SB 199, SB 202, SB 232, and SB 253 were engrossed.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021
## TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SB 256 | County Boards of Health; comprehensive reorganization; provide (Substitute)(H&HS-11th) |
| SB 213 | Contracts and Purchases by Public Schools; payment on guaranteed energy saving contracts; proceeds from local option sales taxes collected for educational purposes; provide (Substitute)(FIN-7th) |
| SB 237 | License Plates; specialty license plate supporting members of the United States Army Rangers; establish (VM&HS-15th) |
| SB 98 | Georgia Freight Railroad Program; eligible expenditures; procedures, conditions, and limitations for public and private financing of projects; provide (Substitute)(TRANS-21st) |
| SR 102 | Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding; create (TRANS-51st) |

SB 120 Solicitors-General of State Courts; honorary office of solicitor-general emeritus; provide (GvtO-37th)

SB 260 Soil Amendments; exclude from regulation (Substitute)(NR&E-7th)

SB 276 County Law Libraries; authorize the charging and collection of law library fees in county recorders' courts and magistrate courts; allow county governing authorities (JUDY-18th)

SB 238 Code Of Georgia; enactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; revise provisions (JUDY-17th)

HB 156 Military; sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; facilitate (Substitute)(VM&HS-32nd) Parsons-44th

SB 241 Elections and Voting; revise comprehensively (Substitute)(ETHICS-30th)

SR 100 State-Wide Grand Juries; jurisdiction, powers, and duties; provide -CA (ETHICS-51st)

SB 62 Elections and Primaries; name and designation of the precinct appears on every ballot; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-37th)

SR 62 Smith, Tommie; recognize (Substitute)(RULES-2nd)

SB 69 Primaries and Elections; persons desiring to register to vote or update their voter registration through and application for a driver's license; indicate such desire on such application; provide (ETHICS-53rd)

SB 71 Elections and Primaries; the definition of "absentee elector"; revise; reasons for voting by absentee ballot; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-53rd)

SB 72 Elections and Primaries; county registrars shall obtain monthly from the coroner, judge of the probate court, and funeral homes in the county identifying information about persons who died in the county during the previous month; provide (ETHICS-53rd)

SB 74 Elections and Primaries; ability of poll watchers at tabulating centers to observe the vote counting process; revise (ETHICS-53rd)

SB 93 Elections and Primaries; use of portable and movable polling facilities in certain circumstances; provide (ETHICS-29th)

SB 141 Elections and Primaries; immediate counting and tabulation of ballots after the close of the polls until such counting and tabulation is completed; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-31st)

SB 178 Elections and Primaries; absentee ballot applications shall not be sent without first receiving a request for such an application from such elector; provide (ETHICS-53rd)

SB 202 Elections and Primaries; persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-23rd)

SB 232 Primaries and Elections; unique bar codes on individual absentee ballots; require (Substitute)(ETHICS-16th)

SR 134 Public Officers; suspension of compensation; felony; provide -CA (GvtO-20th)

SB 258 Certification of Operators of Water or Wastewater Treatment Plants; registration fee for board approved continuing education providers; provide (Substitute)(NR&E-7th)

SB 144 Housing Authorities; ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; limit (GvtO-37th)

SB 162 Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit; additional judge of the superior court; provide (JUDY-21st)

SB 164 HIV Tests; modernization of HIV related laws to align with science; provide (JUDY-52nd)

SB 199 Taxes on Tobacco and Vaping Products; sale and delivery of tobacco products by licensed manufacturers located outside of this state; permit (Substitute)(FIN-53rd)

SB 214 Governor's Emergency Powers; matters pertaining to firearms and other weapons; restrict use of emergency powers (PUB SAF-7th)

SB 218 Vacation of Office; suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; provide (GvtO-20th)

SB 226 Sale or Distribution of Harmful Materials to Minors; provisions of Code Section 16-12-103 shall be applicable to libraries operated by schools; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-31st)

SB 234 "Georgia Uniform Mediation Act"; enact (Substitute)(JUDY-18th)

SB 247 Agricultural Commodity Commissions; public hearings with online public comment opportunities; replace (Substitute)(AG&CA-24th)

SB 166 Courts; certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; require (Substitute)(I&L-46th)

SB 240 Education; instructional program for students in grades eleven and twelve; critical role elections play in the democratic way of life; provide (Substitute)(ED&Y-40th)

SB 225 License Plates; individuals who served in the armed forces for an ally of the United States during active military combat; provide a veteran's license plate (VM&HS-15th)

SB 97 In-State Resident Status of Students; university system policy of out-of-state tuition differential waivers; codify (Substitute)(H ED-2nd)

SB 106 Education; multi-tiered system of supports; include wraparound services to be provided prior to expelling or assigning a student in preschool through third grade to out-of-school suspension for more than five consecutive or cumulative days (Substitute)(ED&Y-44th)

SB 96 Notaries Public; identification of persons for whom notaries perform notarial acts shall be evidenced; valid Veterans Health Identification Card issued by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs; provide (VM&HS-2nd)

SB 90 Georgia Commission on African American History and Culture; create (UAff-2nd)

SB 10 "Jaye Mize Law"; promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; provide for an offense (Substitute)(JUDY-10th)

SB 252 Public Officers; the compensation of certain public officials; revise (Substitute)(RULES-34th)

SB 253 Elections and Primaries; notice when polling places are relocated; provide (Substitute)(ETHICS-9th)

SR 154 Joint Study Committee for Strengthening Georgia's Future Workforce; create (Substitute)(H ED-36th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 256. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Gooch of the 51st, Watson of the 1st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 12, Code Section 16-12-4, Code Section 19-11-9, Chapter 2 of Title 26, Title 31, and Code Section 43-18-75 of the O.C.G.A., relating to conservation and natural resources, cruelty to animals, location of absent parents by department, standards, labeling, and adulteration of food, health, and inspections, suspension or revocation of license, and other disciplinary actions, respectively, so as to provide for the reorganization of county boards of health; to revise the powers of county boards of health; to authorize the Department of Public Health to select district health directors; to provide for qualifications of district health directors; to authorize the commissioner of public health to select chief medical officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to SB 256:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 3 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to

county boards of health, so as to clarify the selection of district health directors by the commissioner of public health; to eliminate county boards of health approval of selection of district health directors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 3 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county boards of health, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 31-3-11, relating to appointments of director and staff and supervision, as follows:

"(a) The district health director appointed pursuant to Code Section 31-3-15 for the health district in which the county is located shall serve as the chief executive officer for the county board of health ~~shall appoint as its chief executive officer a director who shall be a physician licensed to practice medicine under Chapter 34 of Title 43 and who otherwise meets the requirements of the rules of the State Personnel Board~~. The director~~,~~ ~~subject to the approval of the county board of health,~~ shall designate aides and assistants pursuant to the budget adopted by the county board of health in accordance with Code Section 31-3-14."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 31-3-15, relating to establishment of health districts, as follows:

"31-3-15.

The department is authorized, with the consent of the boards of health and the county authorities of the counties involved, to establish health districts composed of one or more counties. ~~The county boards of health of the constituent counties shall, at the call of the commissioner, meet in joint session to approve the selection of a director appointed by the commissioner to serve such boards in common. A county board of health is authorized to appoint one of its members to represent the board at a joint meeting for this purpose.~~ The ~~director~~ commissioner shall select a district health director for each health district who shall be a physician who is licensed to practice medicine under Chapter 34 of Title 43 and who otherwise meets the requirements of the rules of the State Personnel Board. Any ~~The~~ district health director shall have the same powers, duties, and responsibility as a director serving a single county board of health. To further the purposes of this Code section, county boards of health may contract with each other for the provision of multicounty services and also exercise any additional powers as authorized by paragraph (7) of subsection (a) of Code Section 31-3-4; and in the performance of such contracts a county board of health may utilize its employees in other counties."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 37, nays 14.

SB 256, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 213. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 10 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to contracts and purchases by public schools, so as to provide for payment on guaranteed energy saving contracts by local school systems using proceeds from local option sales taxes collected for educational purposes; to provide for phased implementation of energy or operational cost savings measures; to revise a definition; to amend Chapter 37 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to

guaranteed energy savings performance contracting, so as to revise definitions; to increase the value percentage threshold applicable to certain improvements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to SB 213:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 10 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to contracts and purchases by public schools, so as to provide for payment on guaranteed energy saving contracts by local school systems using proceeds from local option sales taxes collected for educational purposes; to provide for phased implementation of energy cost savings measures; to revise a definition; to amend Chapter 37 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guaranteed energy savings performance contracting, so as to revise definitions; to increase the value percentage threshold applicable to certain improvements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 10 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to contracts and purchases by public schools, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-506, relating to definitions and authority to enter into multiyear lease, purchase, or lease purchase contracts, as follows:

"20-2-506.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Energy cost savings measure' means a facility alteration, a training program incidental to the contract, or an equipment purchase to be used in building a retrofit, addition, or renovation or in new construction which reduces ~~designed to reduce~~ energy or water consumption, wastewater production, or operating costs and ~~may include~~ includes, but is not limited to, any one ~~or more~~ of the following:

(A) Insulating the building structure or structures within the building, including caulking or weather-stripping;

(B) Installing storm windows or doors, multiglazed windows or doors, heat absorbing or heat reflective glazed and coated window or door systems, or other window or door systems designed to reduce energy consumption;

(C) Installing automated or computerized energy control systems;

(D) Modifying or replacing heating, ventilating, or air-conditioning systems;

(E) Replacing or modifying lighting fixtures to increase the energy efficiency of the lighting system;

(F) Improving indoor air quality to conform to the applicable state or local building

code requirements;

(G) Installing energy recovery systems;

(H) Installing cogeneration systems that produce steam or forms of energy such as heat and electricity for use primarily within a building or complex of buildings; ~~and~~

(I) Life safety measures that provide long-term operating cost reductions and are in compliance with state and local codes, and building operation programs that reduce operating costs; and

(J) Any other measure not otherwise defined in this Code section which is designed to reduce energy or water consumption, reduce wastewater production, avoid capital costs, or achieve similar efficiency gains by the county, independent, or area school system.

(2) 'Guaranteed energy saving contract' means a contract for the implementation of one or more energy cost savings measures providing that all payments except obligations on termination of the contract before its expiration are to be made over time and the energy cost savings are guaranteed to the extent necessary to make payments for the contract.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, each county, independent, or area school system in this state shall be authorized to enter into multiyear lease, purchase, or lease purchase contracts of all kinds for the acquisition of goods, materials, real and personal property, services, and supplies, provided that any such contract shall contain provisions for the following:

(1) The contract shall terminate absolutely and without further obligation on the part of the school system at the close of the calendar year in which it was executed and at the close of each succeeding calendar year for which it may be renewed as provided in this Code section;

(2) The contract may provide for automatic renewal unless positive action is taken by the school system to terminate such contract, and the nature of such action shall be determined by the school system and specified in the contract;

(3) The contract shall state the total obligation of the school system for the calendar year of execution and shall further state the total obligation which will be incurred in each calendar year renewal term, if renewed;

(4) The total combined annual payments for contracts under this Code section and contracts of such school system under Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I of the Constitution in any calendar year, excluding guaranteed energy savings contracts, shall not exceed an amount equal to 7.5 percent of the total local revenue collected for maintenance and operation of the school system in the most recently completed fiscal year; provided, however, that the foregoing limitation shall not apply to contracts with other public educational entities, including school systems in this state, for the education of students; and

(5) For each guaranteed energy savings contract, a school system shall document the historical energy cost of each structure affected for a period of at least one year prior to the date of the contract and shall document the monthly energy cost and monthly energy savings of each affected structure for the life of the contract.

(c) In addition to the provisions enumerated in subsection (b) of this Code section, any contract authorized by this Code section may include:

(1) A provision which requires that the contract will terminate immediately and absolutely at such time as appropriated and otherwise unobligated funds are no longer available to satisfy the obligations of the school system under the contract; or

(2) Any other provision reasonably necessary to protect the interests of the school system.

(d) Any contract developed under this Code section containing the provisions enumerated in subsection (b) of this Code section shall be deemed to obligate the school system only for those sums payable during the calendar year of execution or, in the event of a renewal by the school system, for those sums payable in the individual calendar year renewal term.

(e) No contract developed and executed pursuant to this Code section shall be deemed to create a debt of the school system for the payment of any sum beyond the calendar year of execution or, in the event of a renewal, beyond the calendar year of such renewal.

(f) Any such contract may provide for the payment by the school system of interest or the allocation of a portion of the contract payment to interest, provided that the contract is in compliance with this Code section.

(g) When any local board of education on or after July 1, 1990, submits to the electors of its local school district the proposed issuance of any bonded debt and such proposal is defeated by the electors, that school system shall be prohibited for a period of four calendar years immediately following such election from entering into any multiyear contract for the lease, purchase, or lease purchase of any goods, materials, real or personal property, services, or supplies which are the same as or substantially similar to items which were proposed to be funded through such proposed issuance of bonded debt.

(h) Nothing in this Code section shall restrict school systems from executing reasonable contracts arising out of their proprietary functions.

(i) Each school system in this state is authorized to accept the title to property subject to a contract for lease purchase or installment purchase and is authorized to transfer title back to the vendor in the name of the school district in the event that the contract is not fully consummated.

(j) Any contract developed under this Code section shall comply with the applicable provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, and regulations thereunder, relating to state allocated capital outlay funds and entitlements.

(k) A county, independent, or area school system may use proceeds from local option sales taxes collected for educational purposes for payment on a contract developed in accordance with the provisions of this Code section; provided, however, that the scope of services included in such contract are permissible according to the referendum authorizing the collection of such taxes.

(l) A county, independent, or area school system may enter into guaranteed energy savings performance contracts with each qualified energy savings provider selected in accordance with the provisions of this Code section. School systems may elect to implement the energy cost savings measure in one or more phases with the selected

qualified energy services provider."

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 37 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guaranteed energy savings performance contracting, is amended in Code Section 50-37-2, relating to definitions, by revising paragraphs (4) and (6) as follows:

"(4) 'Energy conservation measure' means a program or facility alteration or technology upgrade designed to reduce energy, water, waste-water, or other consumption or operating costs to allow revenue generation measures. The term may include, without limitation:

(A) Insulation of the building structure or systems within the building;

(B) Storm windows or doors, caulking or weather stripping, multiglazed windows or doors, heat absorbing or heat reflective glazed and coated window or door systems, additional glazing, reductions in glass area, or other window and door system modifications that reduce energy consumption;

(C) Automated or computerized energy control systems;

(D) Heating, ventilating, or air-conditioning system modifications or replacements;

(E) Replacement or modification of lighting fixtures to increase the energy efficiency of the lighting system without increasing the overall illumination of a facility, unless an increase in illumination is necessary to conform to applicable state or local building codes for the lighting system after the proposed modifications are made;

(F) Energy recovery ventilation systems;

(G) A training program or facility alteration that reduces energy consumption or reduces operating costs, including allowable costs, based on future reductions in costs for contracted services;

(H) A facility alteration which includes expenditures that are required to properly implement other energy conservation measures;

(I) A program to reduce energy costs through rate adjustments, load shifting to reduce peak demand, or use of alternative suppliers as otherwise provided by law, such as, but not limited to:

(i) Changes to more favorable rate schedules;

(ii) Negotiation of lower rates, where applicable; and

(iii) Auditing of energy service billing and meters;

(J) The installation of energy information and control systems that monitor consumption, redirect systems to optimal energy sources, and manage energy using equipment;

(K) Indoor air quality improvements;

(L) Daylighting systems;

(M) Renewable generation systems owned by the governmental unit, such as solar photovoltaic, solar thermal, wind, and other technologies as identified in the project, provided that all metered distribution and deliveries of electric energy are made by an electric supplier authorized under Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 46, the 'Georgia Territorial Electric Service Act';

(N) Geothermal HVAC systems;

(O) Water and sewer conservation measures, including, without limitation, plumbing fixtures and infrastructure;

(P) Equipment upgrades that improve accuracy of billable revenue generating systems; and

(Q) Automated, electronic, or remotely controlled systems or measures that reduce direct and other operating costs."

"(6) 'Governmental unit' means any authority, board, bureau, commission, department, agency, or institution of state or local government, including, but not limited to, any state-aided institution, or any county, municipal corporation, or consolidated government~~, or school district~~ which has the authority to contract for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, or repair of any public building or other public work."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 3.

SB 213, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SB 237. By Senators Harbison of the 15th and Dugan of the 30th:

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

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SB 237, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 98. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Jones of the 25th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 of the O.C.G.A., relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations for public and private financing of projects; to revise definitions; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the O.C.G.A., relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; filling of vacancies; election of chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary-treasurer; and quorum, so as to add the commissioner of transportation as an ex officio member of the Georgia Ports Authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Transportation offered the following substitute to SB 98:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations for public and private financing of projects; to revise definitions; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; filling of vacancies; election of chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary-treasurer; and quorum, so as to add the commissioner of transportation as an ex officio member of the Georgia Ports Authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, is amended in Code Section 32-2-41.3, relating to the Georgia Freight Railroad Program, definition, eligible projects, reporting, and funding, by revising subsection (f) as follows:

"(f) Prior to the expenditure of state funds, the commissioner shall make a determination whether such expenditure is ample consideration for a substantial public benefit in compliance with Article III, Section VI, Paragraph VI (a) of the Georgia Constitution. Such determination may be made upon consideration of such project to

enhance mobility and safety, promote economic development, or increase the quality of life and general welfare of the public."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 32-2-78, relating to definitions relative to certain types of projects, as follows:

"32-2-78.

As used in this Code section and in Code Sections 32-2-79 and 32-2-80, the term:

(1) 'Participating local governing authority' includes the governing authority of any county or municipality whose geographical jurisdiction includes the project.

(2) 'Project' means ~~a project~~ an undertaking which the department deems appropriate for letting pursuant to the procedures of Code Section 32-2-79 and Code Section 32-2-80."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 32-2-79, relating to reporting on congestion mitigation and letting of projects, as follows:

"32-2-79.

(a) The staff of the department shall jointly identify and report to the board by July 31 of each odd-numbered year ~~those projects on the state-wide transportation improvement program or otherwise identified that afford the greatest gains in congestion mitigation or promotion of economic development~~ potential undertakings that would provide a public benefit by either enhancing mobility and safety, promoting economic development, or increasing the quality of life and general welfare of the public.

(b) Any project identified pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section that will not be initiated within two years of the reporting date or that does not have specific available and complete funding may be let and constructed utilizing the procedures of this Code section and Code Section 32-2-80. All personnel of the department shall cooperate in all respects in the letting, construction, maintenance, and operation of such projects, including without limitation providing such access and control of portions of the state highway system as may be requested or required from time to time for such purposes.

(c) Projects wholly or partly in a metropolitan planning area shall be included in a fiscally constrained transportation improvement program."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 32-2-80, relating to public and private financing of projects, prohibitions, request for proposed process, no delegation of eminent domain, and performance and payment security, as follows:

"32-2-80.

(a)(1) The department shall evaluate a project to determine, in the judgment of the department, appropriate or desirable levels of state, local, and private participation in financing such project. In making such determination, the department shall be

authorized and encouraged to seek the advice and input of the affected local governing authorities, applicable metropolitan planning organizations, and the private financial and construction sectors.

~~(1.1)~~(2) No constitutional officer or member of the State Transportation Board shall serve as an agent, lobbyist, or board member for any entity directly or indirectly under contract with or negotiating a contract with the department under this Code section for one year after leaving his or her position as a constitutional officer or member of the State Transportation Board.

~~(2)~~(b)(1) For projects that are funded or financed in part or in whole by private sources, the department shall be authorized to issue a written request for proposal indicating in general terms the scope of the project, the proposed financial participations in the project, and the factors that will be used in evaluating the proposal and containing or incorporating by reference other applicable contractual terms and conditions, including any unique capabilities or qualifications that will be required of the contractor. Public notice of such request for proposal shall be made at least 90 days prior to the date set for receipt of proposals by posting the legal notice on a single website that shall be procured and maintained for such purposes by the Department of Administrative Services or in substantially the same manner utilized by the department to solicit requests for proposals.

~~(3)~~(2) Upon receipt of a proposal or proposals responsive to the request for proposals, the department shall accept written public comment, solicited in the same manner as provided for notice of proposals, for a period of 30 days beginning at least ten days after the date set for receipt of proposals. In addition, the department shall hold at least one public hearing on such proposals not later than the conclusion of the period for public comment.

~~(4)~~(3) The department ~~shall engage in individual discussions with~~ shall select two or more respondents ~~deemed fully qualified, responsible, and suitable on the basis of initial responses and with emphasis on~~ to engage for informal interview and discussion based upon responses submitted pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection which demonstrate professional competence and ability to meet the level of private financial participation called for by the department. Repetitive informal discussions and interviews shall be permissible. In the event that any local governing authority has agreed to consider financial participation in the project, a representative of such local governing authority, appointed by such local governing authority, may participate in such discussions and interviews. ~~At the discussion~~ During this stage, the department may discuss estimates of total project costs, including, but not limited to, life cycle costing and nonbinding estimates of price for services. Proprietary information from competing respondents shall not be disclosed to the public or to competitors.

(4) Upon conclusion of discussions described in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the department shall rank respondents based upon satisfaction of factors in the request for proposal. The department and any designated representative of any participating local governing authority shall then negotiate with ranked respondents. ~~At the conclusion~~

~~of such discussions, on the basis of evaluation factors published in the request for proposal and all information developed in the selection process, the department, with the input of any participating local governing authority, shall select in the order of preference two or more respondents whose qualifications and proposed services are deemed most meritorious. Negotiations shall then be conducted with two or more respondents and with the participation of the designated representative of any participating local governing authority.~~

(5) Upon approval by the department, the commissioner shall select the respondent for project implementation based upon contract terms that are the most satisfactory and advantageous to the state and to the department based upon a thorough assessment of value and the ability of the final project's characteristics to meet state strategic goals and investment policies as provided for by Code Section 32-2-41.1. Before making such selection, the commissioner shall consult with any participating local governing authority or authorities.

(6) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the terms and conditions for multiple awards are included in the request for proposal, the department may award contracts to more than one respondent. Should the department determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one respondent is fully qualified, or that one respondent is clearly more highly qualified and suitable than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that respondent.

~~(5)~~(c) Nothing in this Code section shall require the department to continue negotiations or discussions arising out of any request for proposal.

~~(6)~~(d) The department shall be authorized to promulgate reasonable rules or regulations to assist in ~~its evaluation of the~~ proposal evaluations and to implement the purposes of this Code section. The department shall report the content of such rules or regulations to the Transportation Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives for their approval by majority vote prior to the promulgation thereof and shall make quarterly reports to the same chairpersons of all of its activities undertaken pursuant to the provisions of this Code section.

~~(b)~~(e) Any contracts entered into pursuant to this Code section may authorize funding to include tolls, fares, or other user fees and tax increments for use of the project that is the subject of the proposal. Such funding may be distributed by contract among the participants in the project as may be provided for by contract. The department may take any action to obtain federal, state, or local assistance for a qualifying project that serves the public purpose of this Code section and may enter into any contracts required to receive such assistance. The department may determine that it serves the public purpose of this Code section for all or any portion of the costs of a qualifying project to be paid, directly or indirectly, from the proceeds of a grant or loan made by the federal, state, or local government or any instrumentality thereof. The department may agree to make grants or loans to the operator from time to time from amounts received from the federal, state, or local government or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

~~(c)~~(f) The commissioner shall be authorized to delegate such duties and responsibilities under this Code section as he or she deems appropriate from time to time; provided,

however, that the final approval of contracts provided for in this Code section shall be by action of the State Transportation Board.

~~(d)~~(g) The power of eminent domain shall not be delegated to any private entity with respect to any project commenced or proposed pursuant to this Code section.

~~(e)~~(h) Any contract for a public-private partnership shall require the private partner or each of its prime contractors to provide performance and payment security. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the penal sum or amount of such security may be less than the price of the contract involved, based upon the department's determination on a project-by-project basis of what sum may be required to adequately protect the department, the state, and the contracting and subcontracting parties."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-10-60, relating to definitions relative to the State Road and Tollway Authority, by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

"(5) 'Project' means ~~land public transportation systems~~ transportation related undertakings which provide a public benefit, including: (A) one or more roads or bridges or a system of roads, bridges, and tunnels or improvements thereto included on an approved state-wide transportation improvement program on the Developmental Highway System as set forth in Code Section 32-4-22, as now or hereafter amended, or a comprehensive transportation plan pursuant to Code Section 32-2-3 or which are toll access roads, bridges, or tunnels, with access limited or unlimited as determined by the authority, and such buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto, including but not limited to approaches, cross streets, roads, bridges, tunnels, and avenues of access for such system; (B) any program for mass transportation or mass transportation facilities as approved by the authority and the department and such buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto, including, but not limited to, approaches, cross streets, roads, bridges, tunnels, and avenues of access for such facilities; ~~and~~ (C) buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto used in connection with the movement of goods; and (D) any project undertaken pursuant to a public-private initiative as authorized ~~pursuant to Code Section 32-2-78~~ under any provisions of Code Sections 32-2-78 through 32-2-80."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-10-63, relating to powers of the State Road and Tollway Authority generally, by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

"(5) To make such contracts, leases, or conveyances as the legitimate and necessary purposes of this article shall require, including but not limited to contracts for construction or maintenance of projects, provided that the authority shall consider the possible economic, social, and environmental effects of each project, and the authority shall assure that possible adverse economic, social, and environmental effects relating to any proposed project have been fully considered in developing such project and that the final decision on the project is made in the best overall public interest, taking

into consideration the need for fast, safe, and efficient transportation, public services, and the cost of eliminating or minimizing adverse economic, social, and environmental effects. Furthermore, in order to assure that adequate consideration is given to economic, social, and environmental effects of any ~~tollway~~ project under consideration, the authority shall:

(A) Follow the processes required for federal-aid highway projects, as determined by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, except that final approval of the adequacy of such consideration shall rest with the Governor, as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph, acting as the chief executive of the state, upon recommendation of the commissioner, acting as chief administrative officer of the Department of Transportation;

(B) In the location and design of any project, avoid the taking of or disruption of existing public parkland or public recreation areas unless there are no prudent or feasible project location alternates. The determination of prudency and feasibility shall be the responsibility of the authority as part of the consideration of the overall public interest;

(C) Not approve and proceed with acquisition of rights of way and construction of a project until: (i) there has been held, or there has been offered an opportunity to hold, a public hearing or public hearings on such project in compliance with requirements of the Federal-aid Highway Act of 1970, as amended, except that neither acquisition of right of way nor construction shall be required to cease on any federal-aid project which has received federal approval pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and is subsequently determined to be eligible for construction as an authority project utilizing, in whole or in part, a mix of federal funds and authority funds; and (ii) the adequacy of environmental considerations has been approved by the Governor, for which said approval of the environmental considerations may come in the form of the Governor's acceptance of a federally approved environmental document; and

(D) Let by public competitive bid upon plans and specifications approved by the chief engineer or his or her successors all contracts for the construction of projects, except as otherwise provided for projects authorized under any provisions of Code Sections 32-2-78 through 32-2-81;"

**SECTION 7.**

Code Section 52-2-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; filling of vacancies; election of chairperson, vice chairperson, and secretary-treasurer; and quorum, is amended by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) The nine members of the authority in office immediately prior to May 1, 2000, shall serve out the remainder of the terms for which they were appointed, all of such terms expiring on June 30 of the year of expiration. In addition to said nine members, the Governor shall appoint three members for terms to expire June 30, 2004. The director of the Office of Planning and Budget or his or her designee as approved by the

Governor and the commissioner of transportation or his or her designee shall serve as ~~an~~ ex officio ~~member~~ members of the authority."

**SECTION 8.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 1.

SB 98, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SR 102. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SR 102, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

SB 120. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Jones II of the 22nd, Tillery of the 19th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to solicitors-general of state courts, so as to provide for the honorary office of solicitor-general emeritus; to provide for qualifications; to provide for certificate; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SB 120, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 260. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, so as to exclude certain soil amendments from regulation; to limit locally adopted buffers and setbacks; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment offered the following substitute to SB 260:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, so as to exclude certain soil amendments from regulation; to limit locally adopted buffers and setbacks; to amend Code Section 43-51-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certification of operators of water or wastewater treatment plants and laboratory

analysts, renewal, continuing education, and training period, so as to provide for a registration fee for board approved continuing education providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, is amended by revising subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) as follows:

"(B) Rules and regulations relative to soil amendments derived from industrial by-products which may include, but not be limited to, application rates, proper conditions for application, application record keeping and retention, development and use of site-specific nutrient management plans, and storage and containment in or on lands where soil amendments are applied, but shall exclude forest products, soil amendments derived from industrial by-products generated solely from forest products, slates, clays, shells, gypsum, and lime; provided, however, that pursuant to Code Section 2-1-6, no local government shall be prohibited or impaired from adopting or enforcing any zoning ordinance, including the adoption of buffers and setbacks; provided, further, that no such buffer or setback shall exceed 100 feet in width; and"

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 43-51-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certification of operators of water or wastewater treatment plants and laboratory analysts, renewal, continuing education, and training period, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d) Any certificate granted under this chapter shall be renewable biennially. Application for renewal of certificates shall be accompanied by a renewal fee in an amount established by the board. The board shall be authorized to require continuing education as a condition of certificate renewal and to assess a registration fee to board approved continuing education providers. The board shall be authorized to waive the continuing education requirement in cases of hardship, disability, or illness or under such other circumstances as the board deems appropriate."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Harrell of the 40th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th and Merritt of the 9th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to SB 260 (LC 44 1710S) by replacing line 19 with the following:*
amendments derived from industrial by-products generated solely from forest products, excluding chemical by-products of pulp digestion,

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Harrell amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 39, nays 15.

SB 260, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 22. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to provide a code of ethics; to establish a board of ethics; to revise the authority, roles, and responsibilities of the chairperson, the board of commissioners, and the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 22. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to provide a code of ethics; to establish a board of ethics; to revise the authority, roles, and responsibilities of the chairperson, the board of commissioners, and the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 22:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding vacancies on the board of commissioners; to provide for temporary vacancies; to provide a code of ethics; to establish a board of ethics; to revise the authority, roles, and responsibilities of the chairperson, the board of commissioners, and the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, is amended in Section 3 by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) Vacancies occurring in the membership of the board shall be filled in the following manner:

(1) If, at the time the vacancy occurs, there are less than 360 days until the date of the

next general election, a qualified successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be appointed by the remaining members of the board to serve until the first day of January following the next general election. Such appointment shall be made from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party of which the vacated board member was the candidate at the last general election in which the board seat was up for election. A qualified successor shall be elected at the next general election to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term or for the next term, whichever shall be applicable, and shall take office immediately upon the results of such election being certified by the election superintendent. If the vacancy is in the office of chairperson, the vice chairperson shall serve as chairperson until a successor shall be elected as provided herein and, during such period, the board of commissioners shall be composed of five members;

(2) If, at the time the vacancy occurs, there are more than 360 days until the next general election:

(A) No later than 14 days after the occurrence of the vacancy, a qualified interim successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be appointed by the remaining members of the board to serve until a special election can be held to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term. Such appointment shall be made from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party of which the vacated board member was the candidate at the last general election in which the board seat was up for election; and

(B) A qualified permanent successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be elected at a special election called for such purpose. Only the qualified electors of Henry County residing within the commissioner district wherein the vacancy occurred shall be eligible to vote at such election. The election superintendent of Henry County shall call such election to be held on the earliest available date provided by general law for a special election to fill a vacancy. The election shall be governed by the provisions of Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., the 'Georgia Election Code,' relative to special elections for the filling of vacancies. The person elected at such special election shall take office immediately upon the results of such election being certified by the election superintendent. All persons so elected to fill a vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term. If the vacancy is in the office of chairperson, the special election provided for herein shall apply to filling such vacancy, except that the qualified electors of Henry County voting on a county-wide basis shall be eligible to vote at said special election; and

(3)(A) The chief judge of the superior court of Henry County shall have the power to declare a temporary vacancy on the board created by the ill health or suspension from office of a board member, provided that the length of such a temporary vacancy shall not exceed 90 days. In the event of a temporary vacancy, no later than 14 days after the declaration of the vacancy, a qualified interim successor from the district in which the vacancy occurred shall be appointed by the remaining members of the board. Such appointment shall be made from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party of which the vacated board member

was the candidate at the last general election in which the board seat was up for election.

(B) In the event that a temporary vacancy exceeds 90 days, a special election shall be held in the same manner as provided for in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of this subsection. The person elected at such special election shall take office immediately upon the results of such election being certified by the election superintendent. All persons so elected to fill a temporary vacancy shall serve until the vacancy of the incumbent board member ends or for the remainder of the unexpired term, whichever event occurs first."

**SECTION 2.**

Said Act is further amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

"SECTION 7.1.

(a) Purpose.

(1) It is essential to the proper administration and operation of the Henry County government that its officials and employees be, and give the appearance of being, independent and impartial, that public office not be used for private gain, and that there be public confidence in the integrity of Henry County officials and employees. Because the attainment of one or more of these ends is impaired whenever there exists in fact, or appears to exist, a conflict between the private interests and public responsibilities of officials and employees, the public interest requires that the General Assembly protect against such conflicts of interest by establishing by law appropriate ethical standards with respect to the conduct of the officials and employees of Henry County in situations where a conflict may exist.

(2) The General Assembly recognizes that an appropriate and effective code of ethics for appointed officials and employees of Henry County is also essential for the proper administration and operation of the Henry County government.

(b) Definitions. As used in this section, the term:

(1) 'Agency' means any board, bureau, body, commission, committee, department, or office of Henry County to which the board of commissioners has appointment powers.

(2) 'Business' means any corporation, partnership, organization, sole proprietorship, other entity operated for economic gain, whether professional, industrial, or commercial, and entity which for purposes of federal income taxation is treated as a nonprofit organization.

(3) 'Confidential information' means information which has been obtained in the course of holding public office, employment, acting as an independent contractor, or otherwise acting as an official or employee and which information is not available to members of the public under state law or other law or regulation and which the official, independent contractor, or employee is not authorized to disclose.

(4) 'Contract' means any claim or demand against or any lease, account, or agreement with any person, whether express or implied, executed or executory, verbal or in writing.

(5) 'Emergency situation' means any circumstance or condition giving rise to an immediate necessity for the execution of a contract by and between Henry County and an official or employee or between Henry County and a business in which an official or employee has an interest and where, to the satisfaction of the board of commissioners, it is shown that there is no one other than such persons with whom the contract could have been made and that the necessity was not brought about by such persons' own fault or neglect.

(6) 'Immediate family' means an official or employee and his or her spouse, parents, brothers, sisters, and natural or adopted children.

(7) 'Interest' means any direct or indirect pecuniary or material benefit held by or accruing to the official or employee as a result of a contract or transaction which is or may be the subject of an official act or action by or with Henry County. Unless otherwise provided in this section, the term 'interest' does not include any remote interest. An official or employee shall be deemed to have an interest in transactions involving:

(A) Any person in the official's or employee's immediate family;

(B) Any person, business, or entity that the official or employee knows or should know is seeking official action with Henry County, is seeking to do or does business with Henry County, has interests that may be substantially affected by performance or nonperformance of the official's or employee's official duties, or with whom a contractual relationship exists whereby the official or employee may receive any payment or other benefit;

(C) Any business in which the official or employee is a director, officer, employee, shareholder, or consultant; or

(D) Any person of whom the official or employee is a creditor, whether secured or unsecured.

(8) 'Official or employee' means any person elected or appointed to or employed or retained by Henry County or any agency, whether paid or unpaid and whether part time or full time. Such term includes retired employees or former county employees during the period of time in which they are later employed or retained by the county or any agency. Such term does not include superior and state court judges and their immediate staffs, the district attorney, the solicitor of the state court, the clerks of the superior and state courts, magistrates, the judge of the probate court, and their respective staffs.

(9) 'Official act or action' means any legislative, administrative, appointive, or discretionary act of the board of commissioners, the chairperson of the board of commissioners, or a commissioner.

(10) 'Paid' means the receipt of, or right to receive, a salary, commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee.

(11) 'Participate' means to take part in official acts, actions, or proceedings personally as an official or employee through approval, disapproval, decision, recommendation, investigation, the rendering of advice, or the failure to act or perform a duty.

(12) 'Person' means any individual, business, labor organization, representative, fiduciary, trust, or association, whether paid or unpaid, and includes any official or

employee of Henry County.

(13) 'Property' means any property, whether real or personal or tangible or intangible, and includes currency and commercial paper.

(14) 'Remote interest' means the interest of:

(A) A nonsalaried director, officer, or employee of a nonprofit organization;

(B) A holder of less than 5 percent of the legal or beneficial ownership of the total shares of a business;

(C) Any person in a representative capacity, such as a receiver, trustee, or administrator; or

(D) Any person who, by determination of the board of ethics, is deemed to have such an interest.

(15) 'Transaction' means the conduct of any activity that results in or may result in an official act or action of an official or employee of Henry County.

(c) Proscribed Conduct. No official or employee of Henry County shall:

(1) By his or her conduct give reasonable basis for the impression that any person can improperly influence him or her or unduly enjoy his or her favor in the performance of his or her official acts or actions or that he or she is affected unduly by the rank or position of or kinship or association with any person;

(2)(A) Directly or indirectly request, exact, receive, or agree to receive a gift, loan, favor, promise, or thing of value for himself or herself or another person if:

(i) It tends to influence him or her in the discharge of his or her official duties; or

(ii) He or she recently has been, or is now, or in the near future may be, involved in any official act or action directly affecting the donor or lender.

(B) Subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall not apply in the case of:

(i) An occasional nonpecuniary gift of value less than $100.00;

(ii) An award publicly presented in recognition of public service; or

(iii) A commercially reasonable loan made in the ordinary course of business by an institution authorized by the laws of Georgia to engage in the making of such a loan;

(3) Disclose or otherwise use confidential information acquired by virtue of his or her position for his or her or another person's private gain;

(4) Appear on his or her own personal behalf, or represent, advise, or appear on the personal behalf, whether paid or unpaid, of any person before any court or before any legislative, administrative, or quasi-judicial board, agency, commission, or committee of this state or of any county or municipality concerning any contract or transaction which is or may be the subject of an official act or action of Henry County or otherwise use or attempt to use his or her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself or herself or other persons;

(5) Engage in, accept employment with, or render services for any agency, private business, or professional activity when such employment or rendering of services is adverse to and incompatible with the proper discharge of his or her official duties;

(6) Acquire an interest in any contract or transaction at a time when he or she believes or has reason to believe that such an interest will be affected directly or indirectly by his or her official act or actions or by the official acts or actions of other officials or

employees of Henry County; or

(7) Engage in any activity or transaction that is prohibited by law now existing or hereafter enacted which is applicable to him or her by virtue of his or her being an official or employee of Henry County.

(c.1) Additional Proscribed Conduct for Commissioners. Members of the board of commissioners shall not issue directives to employees who report to the county manager, threaten to terminate the employment of a county employee, threaten to terminate a county contract so as to exert undue influence, or engage in conduct that is unbecoming of a member of the board of commissioners.

(d) Gifts to certain employees. No employee of the purchasing department of Henry County shall accept any gift of value from anyone who has had or may reasonably be anticipated to have any business with or before such department. Gifts from persons who do not have or who would not be reasonably anticipated to have any business with or before such department may be accepted by an employee of such department only when such gifts are based solely on a family relationship or personal friendship.

(e) Disclosure of interests. An official or employee who has an interest that he or she has reason to believe may be affected by his or her official acts or actions or by the official acts or actions of another official or employee of Henry County shall disclose the precise nature and value of such interest by sworn written statement to the board of ethics and ask for the board's opinion as to the propriety of such interest. Every official or employee who knowingly has any interest, direct or indirect, in any contract to which Henry County is or is about to become a party, or in any other business with Henry County, shall make full disclosure of such interest to the board of commissioners and to the ethics officer and the board of ethics. The information disclosed by such sworn statements, except for the valuation attributed to the disclosed interest, shall be made a matter of public record by the board of ethics. In cases where a conflict of interest exists, such official or employee shall recuse himself or herself from participating or taking any official acts or actions in any matter for the county affected by such conflict of interest.

(f) Participation in contracts.

(1) An official or employee shall disqualify himself or herself from participating in any official act or action of Henry County directly affecting a business or activity in which he or she has any interest, whether or not a remote interest.

(2) Henry County shall not enter into any contract involving services or property with an official or employee of the county or with a business in which an official or employee of the county has an interest. This subsection shall not apply in the case of:

(A) The designation of a bank or trust company as a depository for county funds;

(B) The borrowing of funds from any bank or lending institution which offers the lowest available rate of interest for such loans;

(C) Contracts for services entered into with a business which is the only available source for such goods or services; or

(D) Contracts entered into under circumstances which constitute an emergency situation, provided that a record explaining the emergency is prepared by the board of commissioners and submitted to the board of ethics at its next regular meeting and

thereafter kept on file.

(3) Henry County shall not enter into any contract with, or take any official act or action favorably affecting, any person, or business represented by such person, who has been within the preceding two-year period an official or employee of Henry County.

(g) Reporting violations.

(1) Any person who witnesses or becomes aware of a violation of this section may complain of the violation as follows:

(A) A complaint may be communicated anonymously to the ethics administrator. Such complaint shall be made in good faith and with veracity and sufficient specificity so as to provide the ethics officer with salient and investigable facts. The ethics administrator may require the anonymous complaint to be made in a manner and form that is intended only to obtain relevant facts related to the alleged violation of this section and that is not designed to reveal the identity of the complainant; and

(B) A sworn written complaint may be filed with the ethics administrator as described in this subparagraph. All written complaints to be considered by the board of ethics and the ethics officer shall contain the following, if applicable:

(i) The name and address of the person or persons filing the complaint;

(ii) The sworn verification and signature of the complainant;

(iii) The name and address of the party or parties against whom the complaint is filed and, if such party is a candidate, the office being sought;

(iv) A clear and concise statement of facts upon which the complaint is based along with an allegation that such facts constitute one or more violations of law under the jurisdiction of the board of ethics;

(v) A general reference to the allegedly violated statutory provisions of the code of ethics within the jurisdiction of the board of ethics; and

(vi) Any further information which might support the allegations in the complaint, including, but not limited to, the following:

(I) The names and addresses of all other persons who have first-hand knowledge of the facts alleged in the complaint; and

(II) Any documentary evidence that supports the facts alleged in the complaint.

(2) Upon receipt of a complaint by the ethics administrator, the ethics administrator shall send a written notice to the subject of the complaint by the next business day. Both this notice and any subsequent documents shall be subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.

(3) Upon receipt of a written, nonanonymous complaint which does not conform to the applicable requirements of subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, the ethics administrator shall by letter acknowledge receipt of the complaint and advise the complainant of the defect in the complaint and that the complaint will not be considered by the board of ethics unless the defect is corrected.

(h) Enactment.

(1) This section shall be construed liberally to effectuate its purpose and policies and to supplement such existing laws as may relate to the conduct of officials or employees.

(2) The propriety of any official act or action taken by or transaction involving any

officials or employees immediately prior to the time this section shall take effect shall not be affected by the enactment of this section.

(3) The provisions of this section are severable, and if any of its provisions shall be held unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the decision of the court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions.

(i) Board of Ethics.

(1)(A) There is created the Board of Ethics of Henry County to be composed of seven citizens of Henry County to be appointed as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(B) Each member of the board of ethics shall have been a resident of Henry County for at least one year immediately preceding the date of taking office and shall remain a resident of the county, and where applicable the commission district he or she represents, while serving as a member of the board of ethics.

(C) No person shall serve as a member of the board of ethics if the person has, or has had within the immediately preceding two-year period, any interest in any contract, transaction, or official act or action of Henry County.

(D) No member of the board of ethics shall be a member of an agency or an official or employee of Henry County or shall have served in such a capacity in the two-year period immediately preceding such person's appointment to the board of ethics.

(E) No person shall serve as a member of the board of ethics if the person has been a candidate for, or was elected to, public office in the immediately preceding three-year period. Filing for an elective office shall constitute a resignation from the board of ethics on the date of filing.

(F) Appointees to the board of ethics shall have professional knowledge or expertise in matters of ethics, finance, governance, or the law.

(G) All proposed appointments to the board of ethics shall be subject to an education and employment background check as well as a criminal history check. Persons proposed to be appointed to the board of ethics shall execute all releases necessary for the appointing authority to accomplish such checks. If the nominee is determined to have committed a felony, the nomination shall be withdrawn.

(2)(A) The initial board of ethics shall be appointed as provided in this paragraph to take office on January 1, 2022, and to serve for the terms prescribed in this paragraph.

(B) Not later than December 1, 2021, the members of the initial board of ethics shall be selected as follows:

(i) Five members shall be appointed by the grand jury of Henry County, provided that each such member shall reside in a different commission district than the other members appointed pursuant to this subparagraph; and

(ii) Two members shall be appointed by the tax commissioner of Henry County.

(C) In addition to the members appointed as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, there shall be two alternate members who shall serve to ensure a quorum when members of the board are absent, have a conflict of interest, or find it necessary to recuse themselves or while a vacancy exists on the board. The alternates shall be selected by the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County.

(D) The members and alternates shall each serve for terms of three years; provided, however, that the terms of the initial appointees of the grand jury shall be specified at the time of their appointments. One shall serve until December 31, 2022, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later; one shall serve until December 31, 2023, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later; and one shall serve until December 31, 2024, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later. The initial member appointed by the tax commissioner of Henry County shall serve until December 31, 2023, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later. The initial alternate members appointed by the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County shall serve the terms specified by the clerk of the superior court at the time of the initial appointments. One shall serve until December 31, 2022, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later, and one shall serve until December 31, 2024, and until the appointment and qualification of his or her successor, whichever occurs later.

(E) Successors to all members and alternates of the board of ethics and future successors shall be appointed by the respective appointing authorities not less than 30 days prior to the expiration of each such member's term of office, and such successors shall take office on January 1 following such appointment and shall serve terms of three years and until their respective successors are appointed and qualified. No individual shall be appointed to more than two consecutive terms, provided that the initial terms under this Act shall not be counted in such determination.

(F) The clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County shall provide administrative assistance to the grand jury regarding the appointment of board members pursuant to this section. Upon a vacancy occurring or the conclusion of the term of a board member appointed pursuant to division (i) of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County shall notify the then sitting grand jury of its duty pursuant to this section.

(3) If a member of the board of ethics ceases to be a resident of Henry County, and where applicable the commission district he or she represents, that member's position on the board of ethics, by operation of law, shall become vacant upon the establishment of the fact of such nonresidency, if contested, by a court of competent jurisdiction. A vacancy in the board of ethics shall exist by reason of death, the disability or incapacity of a member for more than 90 days, resignation, or loss of residency as described in this paragraph. A member of the board of ethics may be removed from office during a term if the member becomes ineligible to hold civil office within the meaning of Code Section 45-2-1 of the O.C.G.A. and that ineligibility is established by decision of a court of competent jurisdiction which declares the office vacant because of such ineligibility or for good cause by a majority vote of the board of ethics. The ethics officer shall notify the clerk of the Superior Court of Henry County and the tax commissioner of Henry County of a vacancy upon its occurrence, and such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the respective appointing authority.

(4) The members of the board of ethics shall serve without compensation and shall

elect from their own membership a chairperson and otherwise provide for their own internal organization. The board of commissioners shall provide adequate office and meeting space and pay all administrative costs, including those specifically stipulated in this section, pertaining to the operation of the board of ethics. The board of ethics shall be authorized to employ its own staff and clerical personnel and contract for the services of a competent court reporter, an attorney, and a private investigator as it deems necessary. The members of the board of ethics shall have the authority to propose the budget of the board and shall recommend the budget to the board of commissioners, who shall fund it as a priority. In the event that the proposed budget is in excess of $200,000.00, the board of commissioners shall have the authority to authorize the additional funds requested in accordance with standard budgetary procedures and requirements. The board of ethics shall be completely independent and shall not be subject to control or supervision by the chairperson of the board of commissioners, the board of commissioners, or any other official, employee, or agency of the county government.

(5) The board of ethics shall have the following duties:

(A) To establish procedures, rules, and regulations governing its internal organization and the conduct of its affairs;

(B) To render advisory opinions with respect to the interpretation and application of this section to all officials or employees who seek advice as to whether a particular course of conduct would constitute a violation of the standards imposed in this section or other applicable ethical standards. Such opinions shall be binding on the board of ethics in any subsequent complaint concerning the official or employee who sought the opinion and acted in good faith, unless material facts were omitted or misstated in the request for the advisory opinion;

(C) To prescribe forms for the disclosures required in this section and to make available to the public the information disclosed as provided in this section;

(D) To receive and hear complaints of violations of the standards required by this section over which it has personal and subject matter jurisdiction;

(E) To make such investigations as it deems necessary to determine whether any official or employee has violated or is about to violate any provisions of this section; and

(F) To hold such hearings and make such inquiries as it deems necessary for it to carry out properly its functions and powers.

(j) Ethics officer.

(1) There is hereby created as a full-time salaried position an ethics officer for Henry County. The ethics officer must be an active member of the State Bar of Georgia in good standing with five years' experience in the practice of law. The ethics officer shall be appointed by a majority of the members of the board of ethics for a period not to exceed six years. Removal of the ethics officer before the expiration of the designated term shall be for cause by a majority vote of the members of the board of ethics. The ethics officer need not be a resident of the county at the time of his or her appointment, but he or she shall reside in Henry County within six months of such appointment and

continue to reside therein throughout such appointment.

(2) The ethics officer shall not be involved in partisan or nonpartisan political activities or the political affairs of Henry County.

(3) The duties of the ethics officer shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Educating and training all county officials and employees to have an awareness and understanding of the mandate for and enforcement of ethical conduct and advising them of the provisions of the code of ethics of Henry County;

(B) Meeting with the board of ethics;

(C) Advising officials and employees regarding disclosure statements and reviewing the same to ensure full and complete financial reporting;

(D) Urging compliance with the code of ethics by calling to the attention of the board of ethics any failure to comply or any issues, including the furnishing of false or misleading information, that the ethics officer believes should be investigated by the board of ethics so that the board of ethics may take such action as it deems appropriate;

(E) Monitoring, evaluating, and acting upon information obtained from an ethics hotline, which shall be a county telephone number for the receipt of information about ethical violations. Each complaint, as of the time it is reported, whether by telephone or otherwise, shall be deemed to be a separate pending investigation of a complaint against a public officer or employee as provided by Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.;

(F) Reporting, as appropriate, suspected ethical violations to the board of ethics;

(G) Reporting, as appropriate, suspected criminal violations to state or federal law enforcement agencies; and

(H) Filing with the board of ethics and the board of commissioners on the first Tuesday of each February a written report describing the activities of the ethics officer in carrying out the goals of his or her office and the code of ethics and reporting on the ethical health of Henry County.

(k) Ethics administrator.

(1) There is hereby created as a full-time salaried position an ethics administrator for Henry County. The ethics administrator shall be selected by the board of ethics and shall serve at the pleasure of the board.

(2) The ethics administrator shall not be involved in partisan or nonpartisan political activities or the political affairs of Henry County.

(3) The duties of the ethics administrator shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(A) Maintaining the records of the board of ethics as required by Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.;

(B) Notifying the subject of a report of any alleged violation of the ethics code, whether the report is anonymous, made by an identified individual, or written. Such notice shall be given in writing to the subject of the complaint at the same time and in the same form that any disclosure of information is required by Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.;

(C) Notifying the board of ethics of any report of an alleged violation of the ethics code received by the ethics administrator; and

(D) Such other duties as may be assigned by the board of ethics.

(l) Investigations and hearings.

(1) The board of ethics shall conduct investigations into alleged violations of the code of ethics, hold hearings, and issue decisions as prescribed in this subsection.

(2) The proceedings and records of the board of ethics shall be open unless otherwise permitted by state law.

(3) Upon request of the board of ethics, the Henry County Solicitor or any attorney representing the office of the Henry County Solicitor, or in the event of a conflict any attorney who shall be selected by a majority vote of the board of ethics, shall advise the board of ethics.

(4) A complaint may be filed by the ethics officer, any resident, or a group of residents of Henry County by submitting to the ethics administrator a written, verified, and sworn complaint under the penalty of perjury or false swearing. The complaint shall specifically identify all provisions of the Henry County code of ethics which the subject of the complaint is alleged to have violated, set forth facts as would be admissible in evidence in a court proceeding, and show affirmatively that the complainant or affiant, if in addition to or different from the complainant, is competent to testify to the matter set forth therein. All documents referenced in the complaint as well as supporting affidavits shall be attached to the complaint.

(5) Upon receipt of the complaint, the ethics administrator shall bring the complaint before the board of ethics which shall cause the ethics officer to conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether it meets the jurisdictional requirements as set forth in this section. Upon the conclusion of the preliminary investigation, the ethics officer shall report his or her findings to the board. If, in the opinion of the board, the complaint fails to meet the jurisdictional requirements as set forth in this section, the board shall direct the ethics officer to notify the person who filed the complaint and such person shall have ten days from the date of notice to correct and refile the complaint with the board. A complaint which fails to satisfy the jurisdictional requirements as established by this section and by the rules and procedures established by the board of ethics shall be dismissed by the board of ethics no later than 30 days after the complaint is filed with the ethics administrator, unless extended by a majority vote of the board of ethics.

(6) The ethics officer will report his or her findings and recommendation to the board of ethics and advise whether there is probable cause for belief that the code of ethics has been violated, warranting a formal hearing. If the board of ethics determines, after the preliminary investigation of a complaint by the ethics officer, that there does not exist probable cause for belief that this section has been violated, the board of ethics shall so notify the complainant and the subject of the investigation, and the complaint will be dismissed. If the board of ethics determines, after a preliminary investigation of the complaint by the ethics officer, that there does exist probable cause for belief that this section has been violated, the board of ethics shall give notice to the person involved to attend a hearing to determine whether there has been a violation of this

section.

(7) For use in proceedings under this section, the board of ethics shall have the power to issue subpoenas to compel any person to appear, give sworn testimony, or produce documentary or other evidence. Any person who fails to respond to such subpoenas may be subjected to the penalties set forth in subsection (m) of this section.

(8) All hearings of the board of ethics pursuant to this section shall be as follows:

(A) All testimony shall be under oath, which shall be administered by a member of the board of ethics. Any person who appears before the board of ethics shall have all of the due process rights, privileges, and responsibilities of a witness appearing before the courts of this state. Any person whose name is mentioned during a proceeding of the board of ethics and who may be adversely affected thereby may appear personally before the board of ethics on such person's own behalf or may file a written sworn statement for incorporation into the record to be made part of all proceedings pursuant to this subsection;

(B) The decision of the board of ethics shall be governed by a preponderance of the evidence standard; and

(C) At the conclusion of proceedings concerning an alleged violation, the board of ethics shall immediately begin deliberations on the evidence and proceed to determine by a majority vote of members present whether there has been a violation of this section. The findings of the board of ethics concerning a violation and the record of the proceedings shall be made public by the ethics officer as soon as practicable after the determination has been made.

(9) Any investigation or hearing pursuant to this subsection shall be commenced within two years of the date of the alleged violation; provided, however, that any complaint filed against an elected official within 60 days of an election in which such official is a candidate for public office shall not be acted upon until such election is concluded and certified.

(10) The county attorney shall be prohibited from appearing before the board of ethics on behalf of any person.

(m) Violations; appeals.

(1) Any intentional violation of this section, furnishing of false or misleading information to the board of ethics or the ethics officer, failure to follow an opinion rendered by the board of ethics, or failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the board of ethics pursuant to this section shall subject the violator to any one or more of the following:

(A) Administrative sanction of not more than $1,000.00 assessed by the board of ethics;

(B) Public reprimand by the board of ethics; and

(C) Prosecution by the Henry County Solicitor in the magistrate court of Henry County and, upon conviction, a fine of up to $1,000.00 per violation and up to six months' imprisonment whether the official or employee is elected or appointed, paid or unpaid. Nothing in this section shall be interpreted to conflict with state law. An action for violation of this section or the furnishing of false or misleading information

or the failure to comply with a subpoena issued by the board of ethics must be brought within two years after the violation is discovered.

(2) With regard to violations by persons other than officials or employees, in addition to the remedies in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the board of ethics may recommend to the board of commissioners any one or more of the following:

(A) Suspension of a contractor; and

(B) Disqualification or debarment from contracting or subcontracting with Henry County.

(3) The decision of the board of ethics after a hearing shall be final; provided, however, that such proceeding shall be subject to review by writ of certiorari to the Superior Court of Henry County. The ethics administrator shall be authorized to acknowledge service of any such writ and shall, within the time provided by law, certify and cause to be filed with the clerk of the superior court a record of the proceedings before the board of ethics, the decision of the board of ethics, and the notice of the final actions of the board of ethics."

**SECTION 3.**

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 8.2 as follows:

"SECTION 8.2.

(a) The Board of Commissioners of Henry County, Georgia, in addition to such power and authority granted to it by local law, general statute, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, or the now existing ordinances of Henry County, Georgia, shall have the power to:

(1) Reject, within 30 days of appointment, the chairperson's appointment of a nonelected individual to serve as county manager and individuals to serve as county clerk and county attorney, provided that any such vote to reject an appointment must be approved by at least four commissioners;

(2) Establish the compensation and job description of the county manager and assistant county managers;

(3) Establish the compensation and job description of the county clerk and such assistant county clerks as deemed necessary; provided, however, that, in addition to any additional duties and responsibilities, the county clerk shall be the official custodian of records for Henry County and shall keep and maintain the minutes of meetings of the Board of Commissioners of Henry County;

(4) Establish the compensation of such attorney or attorneys designated to serve as county attorney and assistant county attorneys who shall serve as legal counsel to the chairperson and the board of commissioners; provided, however, that where there is a conflict between the chairperson and members of the board of commissioners, and unless otherwise provided by the board of commissioners, the Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct for attorneys in Georgia, or order of court, the county attorney shall serve as legal counsel to the board of commissioners. Unless otherwise provided by the board of commissioners, the Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct for attorneys

in Georgia, or order of court, the county attorney in all legal proceedings shall serve as the attorney of record for Henry County, Georgia, and the chairperson and the board of commissioners shall serve in their official capacities;

(5) Establish personnel policies for the personnel of Henry County government;

(6) Appoint, from time to time, one or more individuals to serve as executive assistant to the board of commissioners;

(7) Establish the qualifications, compensation, and job description of such executive assistant or assistants;

(8) Hire, fire, discipline, suspend, or demote such executive assistant or assistants; and

(9) Add or remove items from the agenda set by the chairperson of any board of commissioners meeting, provided that at least four commissioners vote to approve the change.

(b) The chairperson shall:

(1) Serve as the chief executive and elective officer of the county;

(2) Serve as a full voting member of the board of commissioners;

(3) Serve as presiding officer over meetings of the board of commissioners and shall set the agenda for all meetings of the board of commissioners;

(4)(A) Appoint, subject to rejection of the board of commissioners, and have the authority to fire, discipline, or suspend the county manager, county clerk, and county attorney.

(B) In the event that the board of commissioners rejects an appointment made pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, the chairperson shall appoint a new officer to serve subject to rejection by the board of commissioners as provided for in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this section;

(5) Execute documents and instruments on behalf of the county;

(6) After consultation with the county manager, submit to the board of commissioners an annual budget for consideration and adoption by the board of commissioners;

(7) See that the ordinances, resolutions, and regulations of the board of commissioners and the laws of the state are faithfully executed and enforced;

(8) Coordinate intergovernmental activity between the county and municipalities, other counties, other political subdivisions, and state and federal agencies;

(9) Either individually or with the other members of the board of commissioners, initiate the assessment of the needs of the county, evaluate county services, and develop the policies of the county;

(10) Represent or designate an individual to represent Henry County at ceremonial functions;

(11) Have the power to delegate, in writing, administrative duties of the county to the county manager;

(12) Approve all expense, reimbursement, or other nonsalary payments to commissioners, provided that if such payment is denied by the chairperson, a majority of the board of commissioners may vote to approve such payment at a regular meeting of the board of commissioners;

(13) Unless a specific appointment authority is otherwise provided by state law,

appoint a member to any authority, board, or commission established by the board of commissioners; and

(14) After consultation with the board of commissioners, approve an annual work plan for the county manager.

(c)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the county manager shall have the power to hire, fire, discipline, suspend, or demote any employee of Henry County or delegate such power to one or more nonelected employees. Assistant county managers and department heads may be hired, fired, disciplined, suspended, or demoted by the county manager with the approval of the chairperson. Subject to the approval of the chairperson, the county manager shall have the power to establish and change organizational charts for all county departments.

(2)(A) Assistant county clerks may be hired, fired, disciplined, suspended, or demoted by the county clerk.

(B) Assistant county attorneys may be hired, fired, disciplined, suspended, or demoted by the county attorney."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on SB 22 pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

Senator Jones of the 10th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 22.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 53, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 22.

Senator Jones of the 10th moved that SB 22 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and SB 22 was immediately transmitted.

Senator Jones of the 10th moved that SB 22 be immediately transmitted to the Governor.

On the motion, there was no objection, and SB 22 was ordered to be immediately transmitted to the Governor.

The Calendar was resumed.

SB 276. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 17th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th and Dugan of the 30th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county law libraries, so as to allow county governing authorities to authorize the charging and collection of law library fees in county recorders' courts and magistrate courts; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 40, nays 13.

SB 276, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

SB 238. By Senator Strickland of the 17th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions, so as to revise provisions relating to the enactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; to clarify the portions of the Code which have the effect of law; to clarify the matter included in the Code that does not have the effect of law; to amend Chapter 9 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Code Revision Commission, so as to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to state content; to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to supplementary content; to revise a provision relating to copyright of the Code; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 238, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that all remaining bills and resolutions on the Senate Rules Calendar be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and SB 10, SB 62, SB 69, SB 71, SB 72, SB 74, SB 90, SB 93, SB 96, SB 97, SB 106, SB 141, SB 144, SB 162, SB 164, SB 166, SB 178, SB 199, SB 202, SB 214, SB 218, SB 225, SB 226, SB 232, SB 234, SB 240, SB 241, SB 247, SB 252, SB 253, SB 258, SR 62, SR 100, SR 134, SR 154, and HB 156 were placed on the Table.

At 12:02 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 1:00 p.m.

At 1:01 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 156. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Martin of the 49th, Kelley of the 16th, Smith of the 133rd, Nix of the 69th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 38 and 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs and state government, respectively, so as to facilitate the sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; to require governmental agencies and utilities to report any cyber attacks to the director of emergency management and homeland security; to provide for definitions; to provide for the director to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for proceedings related to cybersecurity to be held in executive session; to provide for certain information, data, and reports related to cybersecurity and cyber attacks to be exempt from public disclosure and inspection; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The consent was granted, and HB 156 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 156, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 156. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Martin of the 49th, Kelley of the 16th, Smith of the 133rd, Nix of the 69th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 38 and 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs and state government, respectively, so as to facilitate the sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; to require governmental agencies and utilities to report any cyber attacks to the director of emergency management and homeland security; to provide for definitions; to provide for the director to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for proceedings related to cybersecurity to be held in executive session; to provide for certain information, data, and reports related to cybersecurity and cyber attacks to be exempt from public disclosure and inspection; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security offered the following substitute to HB 156:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs, so as to provide for additional powers and duties related to homeland security and the military; to facilitate the sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; to require governmental agencies and utilities to report any cyber attacks to the director of emergency management and homeland security; to provide for definitions; to provide for the director to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for certain reports and records related to cyber attacks to be exempt from public disclosure and inspection; to authorize the Governor to work to enhance the education and job placement of Georgians through memoranda of agreement with major military commands established in this state; to provide for conditions and limitations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs, is amended by adding two new Code sections to read as follows:

"38-3-22.2.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Agency' means:

(A) The executive, judicial, or legislative branch of this state and any department, agency, board, bureau, office, commission, public corporation, and authority thereof;

(B) Every county, municipal corporation, school district, or other political subdivision of this state;

(C) Every department, agency, board, bureau, office, commission, authority, or similar body of each such county, municipal corporation, or other political subdivision of this state; and

(D) Every city, county, regional, or other authority established pursuant to the laws of this state.

Such term shall not include any county, municipal corporation, or public corporation or any authority of a county, municipal corporation, or public corporation when such county, municipal corporation, public corporation, or authority is acting in the capacity of a provider of wholesale or retail electric or gas service or in the capacity of a conduit through which a municipal corporation furnishes electric or gas service.

(2) 'Utility' means any publicly, privately, or cooperatively owned line, facility, or system for producing, transmitting, or distributing power, electricity, light, heat, or gas.

(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, every agency shall report to the director of emergency management and homeland security, or his or her designee, any cyber attack incident, data breach, or identified use of malware on an agency or computer or network determined by the director to be the type of cyber attack, data breach, or use of malware to create a life-safety event, substantially impact the security of data and information systems, or affect critical systems, equipment, or service delivery.

(2) The reporting requirements of paragraph (1) of this Code section shall be satisfied if:

(A) The cyber attack incident, data breach, or identified use of malware upon an agency is of a nature required to be reported to the United States government or any agency thereof or the agency elects to report such cyber attack incident, data breach, or identified use of malware to the United States government or any agency thereof; and

(B) Within two hours of making such report to the United States government or any agency thereof, the agency provides substantially the same information to the

director of emergency management and homeland security or his or her designee.

(3) The director of emergency management and homeland security shall, subject to approval by the Governor, promulgate rules and regulations specifying the reporting mechanism for making a report under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection and the required information and time frame for making a report under paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(c) Every utility shall report to the director of emergency management and homeland security, or his or her designee, any cyber attack incident, data breach, or identified use of malware on a utility computer or network as such information is required to be reported to the United States government or any agency thereof. Within two hours of making such report to the United States government or any agency thereof, the utility shall provide substantially the same information to the director of emergency management and homeland security or his or her designee; provided, however, if such information is prohibited under any federal law, rule, or regulation from being disseminated, the utility shall provide such information upon the expiration or lifting of such prohibition.

(d) Any reports or records produced pursuant to this Code section shall not be subject to public inspection or disclosure under Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50.

(e) Nothing in this Code section shall relieve any agency or utility of any duty that may exist under law to notify any person impacted by a cyber attack incident, data breach, or identified use of malware, including, but not limited to, any notice required under Article 34 of Chapter 1 of Title 10.

38-3-22.3.

If the Governor makes a determination that a memorandum of agreement with one or more of the major military commands established in this state would substantially enhance the education or job placement of Georgians in the area of science, technology, engineering, math, or cyber security, he or she is authorized to enter into such an agreement, provided that any state expenditures provided for in such an agreement shall be subject to appropriations."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 45, nays 0.

HB 156, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 8, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 156. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

At 1:11 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease.

At 1:13 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 114. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Oliver of the 82nd, Bonner of the 72nd, Buckner of the 137th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to revise the tax credit for adoption of foster children; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 173. By Representatives Benton of the 31st, Werkheiser of the 157th, Stephens of the 164th, McDonald of the 26th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 47-20-87 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligible large retirement systems authorized to invest in certain alternative investments, so as to increase the percentage of an eligible large retirement system's assets that may be invested in alternative investments; to provide limitations for the Teachers' Retirement System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 247. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Lumsden of the 12th, Collins of the 68th, Petrea of the 166th, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to uniform rules of the road, so as to provide for penalties for the commission of an offense of distracted driving; to remove a process for being found not guilty of a violation in certain instances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 346. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services personnel, so as to authorize the administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate to patients with congenital adrenal hyperplasia under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements; to provide for immunity; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 383. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Efstration of the 104th, Cooper of the 43rd, Dollar of the 45th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure relative to state purchasing, so as to prohibit the state from entering into certain contracts with an individual or company unless such contracts contain a certification that such individual or company does not presently conduct a boycott of Israel and will not conduct such a boycott for the duration of such contract; to exclude certain contracts from these requirements; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 498. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, LaHood of the 175th, England of the 116th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to expand an exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities; to add dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 544. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Oliver of the 82nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to lottery for education, so as to change the composition of the board of directors of the lottery; to comprehensively revise Article 3, relating to bona fide coin operated amusement machines; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 567. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Dempsey of the 13th and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, so as to revise provisions

relating to newborn screening for various disorders; to create the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations to the department when a new disorder is added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel; to provide for requests for appropriations to cover new disorders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 582. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carson of the 46th, Thomas of the 21st, Byrd of the 20th and Cantrell of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Cherokee County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 611. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Stephens of the 164th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to small business assistance, so as to change the definition of small business; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 619. By Representative Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the heritage trust program, so as to authorize the sale of Patrick's Fishing Paradise to a private entity; to provide for a procedure for same; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 676. By Representatives Houston of the 170th, Dickey of the 140th, England of the 116th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Williams of the 148th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to agriculture, so as to create the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority; to amend Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Attorney General, so as to provide for the inclusion of the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority as a state authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 680. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3845), so as to revise provisions relating to purchases and bids; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 693. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, Bentley of the 139th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1B of Article 13 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to operation of farm use vehicle, so as to prohibit operation of farm tractors on interstate highways; to provide for an exception; to provide for operation of farm tractors on state and local roadways; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 697. By Representatives Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Jones of the 25th, Cooper of the 43rd and Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health care data collection, so as to require hospitals to participate in a survey disclosing whether such hospitals maintain technology allowing the electronic sharing of certain patient information with other hospitals; to provide for definitions; to provide that the department shall collect the survey results and submit a report to the legislature; to provide for repeal; to require the use of certified electronic health technology by certain hospitals; to provide for rule and regulation; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolutions of the House:

HR 24. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Dominic Brian Lucci; and for other purposes.

HR 144. By Representative Williams of the 145th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Katie Poff and

dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

HR 204. By Representatives Gilliard of the 162nd, Stephens of the 164th, Williams of the 168th, Petrea of the 166th and Oliver of the 82nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Judge Willie J. Lovett, Jr., and dedicating a building in his memory; and for other purposes.

HR 282. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th and Ralston of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Sydnie Grace Jones and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8. 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 241. By Senators Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to comprehensively revise elections and voting; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the establishment of a voter intimidation and illegal election activities hotline; to limit the ability of the State Election Board and the Secretary of State to enter into certain consent agreements; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding administrative procedure, so as to provide for the submission and suspension of emergency rules by the State Election Board; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Harrell of the 40th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | N Seay |

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| Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and SB 241 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 241, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 241. By Senators Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to comprehensively revise elections and voting; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the establishment of a voter intimidation and illegal election activities hotline; to limit the ability of the State Election Board and the Secretary of State to enter into certain consent agreements; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding administrative procedure, so as to provide for the submission and suspension of emergency rules by the State Election Board; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 241:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To comprehensively revise elections and voting; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for the establishment of a voter intimidation and illegal election activities hotline; to limit the ability of the State Election Board and the Secretary of State to enter into certain consent agreements; to provide for the suspension and temporary replacement

of election superintendents on the basis of malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, incompetence, or inability to perform duties; to provide for participation in a multistate voter registration system; to provide for the use of portable or movable polling places only under limited conditions; to revise a definition; to require reasons for absentee voting; to require identification for requesting an absentee ballot application and to submit an absentee ballot; to provide for the processing of absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots; to provide for when absentee ballots may be sent to electors; to provide for certain disclosures by nongovernmental entities who distribute absentee ballot applications; to provide for where advance voting may be conducted; to provide for certain reports regarding absentee ballots and advance voting; to provide for certain audits; to provide that it shall be illegal to observe how an elector votes; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding administrative procedure, so as to provide for the submission and suspension of emergency rules by the State Election Board; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising Code Section 21-2-3, which was previously reserved, as follows:

"21-2-3.

The Attorney General shall establish and maintain a telephone hotline for the use of electors of this state to file complaints and allegations of voter intimidation and illegal election activities. Such hotline shall, in addition to complaints and reports from identified persons, also accept anonymous tips regarding voter intimidation and election fraud. The Attorney General shall review each complaint or allegation of voter intimidation or illegal election activities within three business days and determine if such complaint or report should be investigated or prosecuted. ~~Reserved.~~"

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Subpart 1 of Part 1 of Article 2, relating to the State Election Board, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-35.

The State Election Board, the members thereof, the Secretary of State, and any of their attorneys or staff shall not have any authority to enter into any consent agreement with any other person that limits, alters, or interprets any provision of this chapter without obtaining the approval of the General Assembly through a joint resolution."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Part 3 of Article 2, relating to superintendents, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-78.

(a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the State Election Board, after due notice to the affected person or persons and the opportunity for a hearing before the State Election Board, may recommend in writing to the legislative delegation representing the jurisdiction involved that a county or municipal election superintendent be temporarily removed from exercising the duties of election superintendent on the basis of malfeasance, misfeasance, neglect of duty, incompetence, or inability to perform the duties of election superintendent for the duration of the period from the time of the removal until January 1 following the next election in such county or municipality and the conclusion of any run-off election from such election, if any.

(b) Within 15 days after receiving a recommendation of the superintendent's removal from office from the State Election Board in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section, the legislative delegation by majority vote may temporarily remove such election superintendent from exercising his or her duties in accordance with this Code section. The duties of such election superintendent shall be filled for the period of suspension by the legislative delegation's appointment of a temporary election superintendent. In making such appointment, the legislative delegation by majority vote shall select a person or persons who have experience or training in managing and conducting elections to serve as temporary election superintendent.

(c) In making the temporary appointment under subsection (b) of this Code section, the legislative delegation shall be authorized to appoint any qualified elector of this state, regardless of the county of residence of such elector."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended in subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-232, relating to removal of elector's name from list of electors, by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(3) Once becoming a member of the nongovernmental entity described in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-225, the Secretary of State shall obtain regular information from such entity regarding electors who may have moved to another state, died, or otherwise become ineligible to vote in Georgia. The Secretary of State shall use such information to conduct list maintenance on the list of eligible electors."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-266, relating to use of public buildings as polling places, use of portable or movable facilities, and unrestricted access to residential communities, as follows:

"(b) The superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall ~~have discretion to procure and provide~~ be responsible for procuring and providing portable or movable polling facilities of adequate size ~~for any precinct~~ to replace any existing polling place, if needed. Portable or movable polling facilities shall only be deployed and used to replace an existing polling place when the existing polling place has been deemed to be unsafe for human occupation by a licensed commercial building

inspector employed or contracted by the county or municipality or has suffered a failure of utility services that provide water or electricity. Portable or moveable polling places shall follow the same standards as they relate to voting access for those electors with disabilities as the existing polling place that such portable or moveable polling place is being used to replace. Portable or movable polling places shall be located within 2,640 feet of the existing polling place that has been deemed unsafe or suffered a loss of utility services that provide water or electricity. Any replacement of an existing polling place with a portable or movable polling place shall be presented before and approved by a superior court judge of the circuit in which the existing polling place is located prior to such replacement being used for elections. The superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall be solely responsible for ensuring that all portable or movable polling facilities used by such county or municipality meet all safety and licensing requirements currently applicable under the law related to the operations of commercial vehicles and all applicable state, county, and municipal codes related to the accessibility and safety of portable and temporary structures."

**SECTION 6.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-380, relating to "absentee elector" defined and when reason for absentee ballot not required, as follows:

"21-2-380.

(a) As used in this article, the term 'absentee elector' means an elector of this state or a municipality thereof who casts a ballot in a primary, election, or runoff other than in person at the polls on the day of such primary, election, or runoff~~.~~ or at an advance voting location pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385 and who:

(1) Is required to be absent from his or her precinct during the hours designated for advance voting pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385 and hours designated for voting on the day of the primary, election, or runoff in which he or she desires to vote;

(2) Will perform any of the official acts or duties set forth in this chapter in connection with the primary, election, or runoff in which he or she desires to vote;

(3) Because of physical disability or because of being required to give constant care to someone who is physically disabled, will be unable to be present at the polls on the day of such primary, election, or runoff;

(4) Because the primary, election, or runoff falls upon a religious holiday observed by such elector, will be unable to be present at the polls on the day of such primary, election, or runoff;

(5) Is required to remain on duty in his or her place of employment during the entire time the polls are open when such place of employment is within the precinct in which the elector resides;

(6) Is 65 years of age or older; or

(7) Is entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended.

(b) An elector who ~~votes by absentee ballot shall not be required to provide a reason in~~

~~order to cast an absentee ballot in any primary, election, or runoff~~ casts an absentee ballot in person at the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office or other authorized location during the advance voting period immediately preceding the date of a primary, election, or runoff as specified in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385 shall not be required to demonstrate a reason as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section in order to cast such ballot."

**SECTION 7.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subparagraphs (a)(1)(C) and (a)(1)(D) of Code Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons entitled to make application as follows:

"(C)(i) Any person applying for an absentee-by-mail ballot shall make application in writing on the form made available by the Secretary of State. In order to confirm the identity of the elector, such form shall require the elector to provide his or her name, date of birth, address as registered, address where the elector wishes the ballot to be mailed, and the elector's Georgia driver's license number or identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40. If such elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the elector shall swear or affirm this fact in the manner prescribed in the application and the elector shall provide a copy of a form of identification listed in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417. The form made available by the Secretary of State shall include a space to affix a photocopy or electronic image of such identification. In addition to the web application described in this paragraph, the Secretary of State shall develop a method to allow secure electronic transmission of such application form. The application shall ~~be in writing and shall contain sufficient information for proper identification of the elector; the permanent or temporary address of the elector to which the absentee ballot shall be mailed;~~ also include the reason for requesting the absentee ballot as provided in Code Section 21-2-380; the identity of the primary, election, or runoff in which the elector wishes to vote; ~~and~~ the name and relationship of the person requesting the ballot if other than the elector; and an oath for the elector or relative making application on behalf of such elector to sign swearing or affirming that the elector is a qualified elector of this state and that the facts presented in the application are true. Submitting false information on an application for an absentee ballot shall be a violation of Code Sections 21-2-560 and 21-2-571.

(ii) The Secretary of State shall be authorized to create a web application that allows an elector to submit an absentee ballot application via an online portal. Such application shall verify the identity of the elector by matching the elector's name, date of birth, and Georgia driver's license or identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 contained in the state voter registration system with the name, date of birth, and Georgia driver's license or

identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 entered into the web application. Such application shall require the elector to swear or affirm that he or she is a qualified elector of this state and that the facts presented on the application are true.

(iii) The blank application for absentee ballot shall be made available online by the Secretary of State, but neither the Secretary of State nor any election superintendent, registrar, absentee ballot clerk, or employee or agent thereof shall send absentee ballot applications directly to any elector except upon request of such elector or relative of such elector authorized to request an absentee ballot for such elector. No person or entity other than a relative authorized to request an absentee ballot for such elector or a person signing as assisting an illiterate or physically disabled elector shall send any elector an absentee ballot application that is pre-filled with the elector's personal identifying information, in whole or in part. Any blank application for absentee ballot sent by any person or entity shall utilize the form made available by the Secretary of State.

(D) Except in the case of physically disabled electors residing in the county or municipality or electors in custody in a jail or other detention facility in the county or municipality, no absentee ballot shall be mailed to an address other than the permanent mailing address of the elector as recorded on the elector's voter registration record or a temporary out-of-county or out-of-municipality address. Upon request, electors held in jails or other detention facilities who are eligible to vote shall be granted access to the necessary personal effects for the purpose of applying for an absentee ballot pursuant to this Code section."

**SECTION 8.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons entitled to make application, as follows:

"(b)(1) Upon receipt of a timely application for an absentee ballot, a registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall enter thereon the date received. The registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall verify the identity of the applicant and determine, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, if the applicant is eligible to vote in the primary or election involved. In order to ~~be found eligible to vote an absentee ballot by mail~~ verify the identity of the applicant, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the ~~identifying information~~ applicant's name, date of birth, and Georgia driver's license number or identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 on the application with the information on file in the registrar's office ~~and, if the application is signed by the elector, compare the signature or mark of the elector on the application with the signature or mark of the elector on the elector's voter registration card~~. If the application does not contain a Georgia driver's license number or identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall verify that the identification provided with the

application identifies the applicant. In order to be found eligible to vote an absentee ballot in person at the registrar's office or absentee ballot clerk's office, such person shall show one of the forms of identification listed in Code Section 21-2-417 and the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the identifying information on the application with the information on file in the registrar's office.

(2) If found eligible, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall certify by signing in the proper place on the application and then:

(A) Shall mail the ballot as provided in this Code section;

(B) If the application is made in person, shall issue the ballot to the elector within the confines of the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office as required by Code Section 21-2-383 if the ballot is issued during the advance voting period established pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385; or

(C) May deliver the ballot in person to the elector if such elector is confined to a hospital.

(3) If found ineligible or if the application is not timely received, the clerk or the board of registrars shall deny the application by writing the reason for rejection in the proper space on the application and shall promptly notify the applicant in writing of the ground of ineligibility, a copy of which notification should be retained on file in the office of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk for at least one year. However, an absentee ballot application shall not be rejected solely due to ~~an apparent~~ a mismatch between the ~~signature~~ identifying information of the elector on the application and the ~~signature~~ identifying information of the elector on file with the board of registrars. In such cases, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall send the elector a provisional absentee ballot with the designation 'Provisional Ballot' on the outer oath envelope and information prepared by the Secretary of State as to the process to be followed to cure the ~~signature~~ discrepancy. If such ballot is returned to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election, the elector may cure the ~~signature~~ discrepancy by submitting an affidavit to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk along with a copy of one of the forms of identification enumerated in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 before the close of the period for verifying provisional ballots contained in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-419. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be sufficient, the absentee ballot shall be counted as other absentee ballots. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be insufficient, then the procedure contained in Code Section 21-2-386 shall be followed for rejected absentee ballots.

(4) If the registrar or clerk is unable to determine the identity of the elector from information given on the application or if the application is not complete or if the oath on the application is not signed, the registrar or clerk should promptly ~~write~~ contact the elector in writing to request the necessary additional information and a signed copy of the oath.

(5) In the case of an unregistered applicant who is eligible to register to vote, the clerk or the board shall immediately mail a blank registration card as provided by

Code Section 21-2-223, and such applicant, if otherwise qualified, shall be deemed eligible to vote by absentee ballot in such primary or election, if the registration card, properly completed, is returned to the clerk or the board on or before the last day for registering to vote in such primary or election. If the closing date for registration in the primary or election concerned has not passed, the clerk or registrar shall also mail a ballot to the applicant, as soon as it is prepared and available; and the ballot shall be cast in such primary or election if returned to the clerk or board not later than the close of the polls on the day of the primary or election concerned."

**SECTION 9.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons entitled to make application, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(f) Other than the Secretary of State or a county election or registration official, any person, organization, or other entity which distributes or publishes any document or material to electors that purports to be an application for an absentee ballot shall prominently display a disclaimer thereon in at least 20 point type which occupies at least 25 percent of the area on the front and back of such document or material and which shall state:

'This is NOT an official government publication and was NOT provided to you by any governmental entity. It is being distributed by [insert name and address of person, organization, or other entity distributing such document or material].'"

**SECTION 10.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-382, relating to additional sites as additional registrar's office or place of registration for absentee ballots, as follows:

"21-2-382.

(a) Any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, the board of registrars may establish additional sites as additional registrar's offices or places of registration for the purpose of receiving absentee ballots under Code Section 21-2-381 and for the purpose of voting absentee ballots under Code Section 21-2-385, including advance voting, provided that any such site is a building that is a branch of the county courthouse, a courthouse annex, a government service center providing general government services, another government building generally accessible to the public, or a ~~location~~ building that is used as an election day polling place, notwithstanding that such ~~location~~ building is not a government building.

(b) Any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, in all counties of this state having a population of 550,000 or more according to the United States decennial census of 1990 or any future such census, any building that is a branch of the county courthouse or courthouse annex established within any such county shall be an additional registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office or place of registration for the

purpose of receiving absentee ballots under Code Section 21-2-381 and for the purpose of voting absentee ballots under Code Section 21-2-385, including advance voting."

**SECTION 11.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-384, relating to preparation and delivery of supplies, mailing of ballots, oath of absentee electors and persons assisting absentee electors, master list of ballots sent, challenges, and electronic transmission of ballots, as follows:

"(b) Except for ballots voted within the confines of the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office, in addition to the mailing envelope addressed to the elector, the superintendent, board of registrars, or absentee ballot clerk shall provide two envelopes for each official absentee ballot, of such size and shape as shall be determined by the Secretary of State, in order to permit the placing of one within the other and both within the mailing envelope. On the smaller of the two envelopes to be enclosed in the mailing envelope shall be printed the words 'Official Absentee Ballot' and nothing else. ~~On the back of the~~ The larger of the two envelopes to be enclosed within the mailing envelope shall ~~be printed~~ contain the form of oath of the elector and the oath for persons assisting electors, as provided for in Code Section 21-2-409, and the penalties provided for in Code Sections 21-2-568, 21-2-573, 21-2-579, and 21-2-599 for violations of oaths; a place for the elector to print his or her name; a signature line; a space for the elector to print his or her Georgia driver's license or state identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40; a space for the elector to mark to affirm that he or she does not have a Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40; a space for the elector to print his or her date of birth; and a space for the elector to print the last four digits of his or her social security number, if the elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40. The envelope shall be designed so that the elector's Georgia driver's license or identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, last four digits of social security number, and date of birth shall be hidden from view when the envelope is correctly sealed. Any person other than the elector who requested the ballot, an authorized person who is assisting an elector entitled to assistance under Code Section 21-2-381, absentee ballot clerk, registrar, or law enforcement officer in the course of an investigation who knowingly unseals a sealed absentee ballot envelope shall be guilty of a felony. ~~and on~~ On the face of such envelope shall be printed the name and address of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk. The larger of the two envelopes shall also display the elector's name and voter registration number. The mailing envelope addressed to the elector shall contain the two envelopes, the official absentee ballot, the uniform instructions for the manner of preparing and returning the ballot, in form and substance as provided by the Secretary of State, provisional absentee ballot information, if necessary, and a notice in the form provided by the Secretary of State of all withdrawn, deceased, and disqualified candidates and any substitute candidates pursuant to Code Sections 21-2-134 and 21-2-155 and nothing else. The

uniform instructions shall include information specific to the voting system used for absentee voting concerning the effect of overvoting or voting for more candidates than one is authorized to vote for a particular office and information concerning how the elector may correct errors in voting the ballot before it is cast including information on how to obtain a replacement ballot if the elector is unable to change the ballot or correct the error."

**SECTION 12.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (d) of Code Section 21-2-385, relating to procedure for voting by absentee ballot and advance voting, and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(a) At any time after receiving an official absentee ballot, but before the day of the primary or election, except electors who are confined to a hospital on the day of the primary or election, the elector shall vote his or her absentee ballot, then fold the ballot and enclose and securely seal the same in the envelope on which is printed 'Official Absentee Ballot.' This envelope shall then be placed in the second one, on which is printed the form of the oath of the elector; the name and oath of the person assisting, if any; and other required identifying information. The elector shall then fill out, subscribe, and swear to the oath printed on such envelope. In order to verify that the absentee ballot was voted by the elector who requested the ballot, the elector shall print his or her Georgia driver's license or identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 in the space provided on the envelope. The elector shall also print his or her date of birth in the space provided in the envelope. If the elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or state identification card number issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the elector shall so swear or affirm in the space provided on the envelope and print the last four digits of his or her social security number in the space provided on the envelope. If the elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or identification card or a social security number, the elector shall so affirm in the space provided on the envelope and place a copy of identification set forth in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417. Such envelope shall then be securely sealed and the elector shall then personally mail or personally deliver same to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk, provided that mailing or delivery may be made by the elector's mother, father, grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, or an individual residing in the household of such elector. The absentee ballot of a disabled elector may be mailed or delivered by the caregiver of such disabled elector, regardless of whether such caregiver resides in such disabled elector's household. The absentee ballot of an elector who is in custody in a jail or other detention facility may be mailed or delivered by any employee of such jail or facility having custody of such elector. An elector who is confined to a hospital on a primary or election day to whom an absentee ballot is delivered by the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall then and there vote the ballot, seal it properly, and return it to the registrar or absentee ballot clerk. If the elector registered to vote for the first time in

this state by mail and has not previously provided the identification required by Code Section 21-2-220 and votes for the first time by absentee ballot and fails to provide the identification required by Code Section 21-2-220 with such absentee ballot, such absentee ballot shall be treated as a provisional ballot and shall be counted only if the registrars are able to verify the identification and registration of the elector during the time provided pursuant to Code Section 21-2-419."

"(d)(1) There shall be a period of advance voting during which persons may vote in person without specifying any of the reasons stated in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-380 that shall commence:

(A) On the fourth Monday immediately prior to each primary or election;

(B) On the fourth Monday immediately prior to a runoff from a general primary;

(C) On the fourth Monday immediately prior to a runoff from a general election in which there are candidates for a federal office on the ballot in the runoff; and

(D) As soon as possible prior to a runoff from any other general election in which there are only state or county candidates on the ballot in the runoff but no later than the second Monday immediately prior to such runoff

and shall end on the Friday immediately prior to each primary, election, or runoff. Voting shall be conducted during normal business hours on weekdays during such period and shall be conducted on the second Saturday prior to a primary or election during the hours of 9:00 A.M. through 4:00 P.M.; provided, however, that in primaries and elections in which there are no federal or state candidates on the ballot, no Saturday voting hours shall be required; and provided, further, that, if such second Saturday is a public and legal holiday pursuant to Code Section 1-4-1, if such second Saturday follows a public and legal holiday occurring on the Thursday or Friday immediately preceding such second Saturday, or if such second Saturday immediately precedes a public and legal holiday occurring on the following Sunday or Monday, such advance voting shall not be held on such second Saturday but shall be held on the third Saturday prior to such primary or election. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, counties and municipalities may extend the hours for voting beyond regular business hours and may provide for additional voting locations in buildings authorized pursuant to Code Section 21-2-382 to suit the needs of the electors of the jurisdiction at their option. Advance voting shall be allowed only in the main office of the board of elections and registration, the main office of the board of registrars, or a building authorized pursuant to Code Section 21-2-382.

(e) On each day of an absentee voting period, each county board of registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerk shall report for the county or municipality to the Secretary of State and post on the county or municipal website not later than 10:00 A.M. on each business day the number of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued, the number of persons who have returned absentee ballots, the number of absentee ballots that have been rejected, and the number of ballots that have been rejected. Additionally, on each day of an advance voting period, each county board of registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerk shall report to the Secretary of State and post on the county or municipal website not later than 10:00 A.M. on each business day

the number of persons who have voted at the advance voting sites in the county or municipality. During the absentee voting period and for a period of three days following a primary, election, or runoff, each county board of registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerk shall report to the Secretary of State and post on the county or municipal website not later than 10:00 A.M. on each business day the number of persons who have voted provisional ballots, the number of provisional ballots that have verified or cured and accepted for counting, and the number of provisional ballots that have been rejected."

**SECTION 13.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-386, relating to safekeeping, certification, and validation of absentee ballots, rejection of ballot, delivery of ballots to manager, duties of managers, precinct returns, and notification of challenged elector, as follows:

"21-2-386.

(a)(1)(A) The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall keep safely, unopened, and stored in a manner that will prevent tampering and unauthorized access all official absentee ballots received from absentee electors prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election except as otherwise provided in this subsection.

(B) Upon receipt of each ballot, a registrar or clerk shall write the day and hour of the receipt of the ballot on its envelope. The registrar or clerk shall then compare the ~~identifying information on the oath with the information on file in his or her office, shall compare the signature or mark on the oath with the signature or mark on the absentee elector's voter registration card or the most recent update to such absentee elector's voter registration card and application for absentee ballot or a facsimile of said signature or mark taken from said card or application, and shall, if the information and signature appear to be valid and other identifying information appears to be correct,~~ elector's Georgia driver's license number or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 entered on the absentee ballot envelope with the same information contained in the elector's voter registration records. If the elector has sworn or affirmed on the envelope that he or she does not have a Georgia driver's license or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the last four digits of the elector's social security number and date of birth entered on the envelope with the same information contained in the elector's voter registration records. The registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall also confirm that the elector signed the oath and the person assisting the elector, if any, signed the oath of assistance. If the elector has signed the oath, the person assisting such elector, if any, has signed the oath of assistance, and the identifying information entered on the absentee ballot envelope matches the same information contained in the elector's voter registration record, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall so certify by signing or initialing his or her name below the voter's oath. Each elector's

name so certified shall be listed by the registrar or clerk on the numbered list of absentee voters prepared for his or her precinct.

(C) If the elector has failed to sign the oath, or if the ~~signature~~ identifying information entered on the absentee ballot envelope does not ~~appear to be valid~~ match the same information appearing in the elector's voter registration record, or if the elector has failed to furnish required information or information so furnished does not conform with that on file in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office, or if the elector is otherwise found disqualified to vote, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall write across the face of the envelope 'Rejected,' giving the reason therefor. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector of such rejection, a copy of which notification shall be retained in the files of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk for at least two years. Such elector shall have until the end of the period for verifying provisional ballots contained in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-419 to cure the problem resulting in the rejection of the ballot. The elector may cure a failure to sign the oath, ~~an invalid signature~~ nonmatching identifying information, or missing information by submitting an affidavit to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk along with a copy of one of the forms of identification enumerated in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 before the close of such period. The affidavit shall affirm that the ballot was submitted by the elector, is the elector's ballot, and that the elector is registered and qualified to vote in the primary, election, or runoff in question. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be sufficient, the absentee ballot shall be counted.

(D) An elector who registered to vote by mail, but did not comply with subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-220, and who votes for the first time in this state by absentee ballot shall include with his or her application for an absentee ballot or in the outer oath envelope of his or her absentee ballot either one of the forms of identification listed in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-417 or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of such elector. If such elector does not provide any of the forms of identification listed in this subparagraph with his or her application for an absentee ballot or with the absentee ballot, such absentee ballot shall be deemed to be a provisional ballot and such ballot shall only be counted if the registrars are able to verify current and valid identification of the elector as provided in this subparagraph within the time period for verifying provisional ballots pursuant to Code Section 21-2-419. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector that such ballot is deemed a provisional ballot and shall provide information on the types of identification needed and how and when such identification is to be submitted to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk to verify the ballot.

(E) Three copies of the numbered list of voters shall also be prepared for such rejected absentee electors, giving the name of the elector and the reason for the rejection in each case. Three copies of the numbered list of certified absentee voters

and three copies of the numbered list of rejected absentee voters for each precinct shall be turned over to the poll manager in charge of counting the absentee ballots and shall be distributed as required by law for numbered lists of voters.

(F) All absentee ballots returned to the board or absentee ballot clerk after the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election shall be safely kept unopened by the board or absentee ballot clerk and then transferred to the appropriate clerk for storage for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots used at the primary or election and shall then, without being opened, be destroyed in like manner as the used ballots of the primary or election. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector by first-class mail that the elector's ballot was returned too late to be counted and that the elector will not receive credit for voting in the primary or election. All such late absentee ballots shall be delivered to the appropriate clerk and stored as provided in Code Section 21-2-390.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, until the United States Department of Defense notifies the Secretary of State that the Department of Defense has implemented a system of expedited absentee voting for those electors covered by this subparagraph, absentee ballots cast in a primary, election, or runoff by eligible absentee electors who reside outside the county or municipality in which the primary, election, or runoff is held and are members of the armed forces of the United States, members of the merchant marine of the United States, spouses or dependents of members of the armed forces or merchant marine residing with or accompanying such members, or overseas citizens that are postmarked by the date of such primary, election, or runoff and are received within the three-day period following such primary, election, or runoff, if proper in all other respects, shall be valid ballots and shall be counted and included in the certified election results.

(2)(A) Beginning at 8:00 A.M. on the second Monday prior to ~~After the opening of the polls on~~ the day of the primary, election, or runoff, the ~~registrars or absentee ballot clerks~~ superintendent shall be authorized to open the outer envelope ~~on which is printed the oath of the elector~~ of absentee ballots that have been verified and accepted pursuant to subparagraph (a)(1)(B) of this Code section in such a manner as not to destroy the oath printed thereon~~; provided, however, that the registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall not be authorized to~~ remove the contents of such outer envelope~~, or to~~ open the inner envelope marked 'Official Absentee Ballot,' ~~except as otherwise provided in this Code section~~ and scan the absentee ballot using one or more ballot scanners. At least three persons who are registrars, deputy registrars, poll workers, or absentee ballot clerks must be present before commencing; and three persons who are registrars, deputy registrars, or absentee ballot clerks shall be present at all times while the ~~outer~~ absentee ballot envelopes are being opened and the absentee ballots are being scanned. ~~After opening the outer envelopes, the ballots shall be safely and securely stored until the time for tabulating such ballots~~ However, no person shall tally, tabulate, estimate, or attempt to tally, tabulate, or estimate or cause the ballot scanner or any other equipment to produce any tally or

tabulation, partial or otherwise, of the absentee ballots cast until the time for the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff except as provided in this Code section. Prior to beginning the process set forth in this subsection, the superintendent shall provide written notice to the Secretary of State in writing at least seven days prior to processing absentee ballots. Such notice shall contain the dates, start and end times, and location or locations where absentee ballots will be processed. The superintendent shall also post such notice publicly in a prominent and public location in the superintendent's office and on the home page of the county or municipal website regarding elections. The Secretary of State shall publish on his or her website the information he or she receives from counties and municipalities stating the dates, times, and locations where absentee ballots will be processed.

(B) The proceedings set forth in this subsection shall be open to the view of the public, but no person except a person employed and designated by the superintendent shall touch any ballot or ballot container. Any person involved in processing absentee ballots shall swear or affirm an oath, in the same form as the oath for poll officers set forth in Code Section 21-2-95, prior to beginning the processing and scanning of the absentee ballots. The state or county executive committee of each political party and political body having candidates whose names appear on the ballot for such election in such county or municipality shall have the right to designate two persons, and each independent and nonpartisan candidate whose name appears on the ballot for such election in such county or municipality shall have the right to designate one person to act as monitors for such process. In the event that the only issue to be voted upon in an election is a referendum question, the superintendent shall also notify in writing the chief judge of the superior court of the county who shall appoint two electors of the county or municipality to monitor such process. While viewing or monitoring the process set forth in this subsection, monitors and observers are prohibited from:

(i) In any way interfering with the processing of absentee ballots or the conduct of the primary, election, or runoff;

(ii) Using or bringing into the room any photographic or other electronic monitoring or recording devices, cellular telephones, or computers;

(iii) Engaging in any form of campaigning or campaign activity;

(iv) Taking any action that endangers the secrecy and security of the absentee ballots;

(v) Touching any ballot or ballot container;

(vi) Tallying, tabulating, estimating, or attempting to tally, tabulate, or estimate, whether partial or otherwise, any of the votes on the absentee ballots cast; and

(vii) Communicating any information that they see, whether intentionally or inadvertently, about any ballot, vote, or selection to anyone other than an election official who needs such information to lawfully carry out his or her official duties.

(C) The State Election Board shall promulgate rules and regulations requiring reconciliation procedures and other protections to protect the integrity of the process

set forth in this subsection.

(3) A county election superintendent may, in his or her discretion, after 7:00 A.M. on the day of the primary, election, or runoff open the inner envelopes in accordance with the procedures prescribed in this subsection and begin tabulating the absentee ballots. If the county election superintendent chooses to open the inner envelopes and begin tabulating such ballots prior to the close of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, the superintendent shall notify in writing, at least seven days prior to the primary, election, or runoff, the Secretary of State of the superintendent's intent to begin the absentee ballot tabulation prior to the close of the polls. The state or county executive committee ~~or, if there is no organized county executive committee, the state executive committee~~ of each political party and political body having candidates whose names appear on the ballot for such election in such county shall have the right to designate two persons and each independent and nonpartisan candidate whose name appears on the ballot for such election in such county shall have the right to designate one person to act as monitors for such process. In the event that the only issue to be voted upon in an election is a referendum question, the superintendent shall also notify in writing the chief judge of the superior court of the county who shall appoint two electors of the county to monitor such process.

(4) The county election superintendent shall publish a written notice in the superintendent's office of the superintendent's intent to begin the absentee ballot tabulation prior to the close of the polls and publish such notice at least one week prior to the primary, election, or runoff in the legal organ of the county.

(5) The process for opening ~~the inner envelopes of~~ absentee ballot envelopes, scanning absentee ballots, and tabulating absentee ballots on the day of a primary, election, or runoff as provided in this subsection shall be a confidential process to maintain the secrecy of all ballots and to protect the disclosure of any balloting information before 7:00 P.M. on election day. No absentee ballots shall be tabulated before 7:00 A.M. on the day of a primary, election, or runoff.

(6) All persons conducting the tabulation of absentee ballots during the day of a primary, election, or runoff, including the vote review panel required by Code Section 21-2-483, and all monitors and observers shall be sequestered until the time for the closing of the polls. All such persons shall have no contact with the news media; shall have no contact with other persons not involved in monitoring, observing, or conducting the tabulation; shall not use any type of communication device including radios, telephones, and cellular telephones; shall not utilize computers for the purpose of e-mail, instant messaging, or other forms of communication; and shall not communicate any information concerning the tabulation until the time for the closing of the polls; provided, however, that supervisory and technical assistance personnel shall be permitted to enter and leave the area in which the tabulation is being conducted but shall not communicate any information concerning the tabulation to anyone other than the county election superintendent; the staff of the superintendent; those persons conducting, observing, or monitoring the tabulation; and those persons whose technical assistance is needed for the tabulation process to operate.

(7) The absentee ballots shall be tabulated in accordance with the procedures of this chapter for the tabulation of absentee ballots. As such ballots are tabulated, they shall be placed into locked ballot boxes and may be transferred to locked ballot bags, if needed, for security. The persons conducting the tabulation of the absentee ballots shall not cause the tabulating equipment to produce any count, partial or otherwise, of the absentee votes cast until the time for the closing of the polls except as otherwise provided in this Code section.

(b) ~~As soon as practicable after 7:00 A.M. on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, in precincts other than those in which optical scanning tabulators are used~~ When requested by the superintendent, but not earlier that the second Monday prior to a primary, election, or runoff, a registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall deliver the official absentee ballot of each certified absentee elector, each rejected absentee ballot, applications for such ballots, and copies of the numbered lists of certified and rejected absentee electors to the manager in charge of the absentee ballot precinct of the county or municipality, which shall be located in the precincts containing the county courthouse or polling place designated by the municipal superintendent. In those precincts in which optical scanning tabulators are used, such absentee ballots shall be taken to the tabulation center or other place designated by the superintendent, and the official receiving such absentee ballots shall issue his or her receipt therefor. Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, in no event shall the counting of the ballots begin before the polls close.

(c) The superintendent shall cause the certified absentee ballots to be opened and tabulated as provided in this Code section. A ~~Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, after the close of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, a~~ manager shall ~~then~~ open the outer envelope in such manner as not to destroy the oath printed thereon and shall deposit the inner envelope marked 'Official Absentee Ballot' in a ballot box reserved for absentee ballots. In the event that an outer envelope is found to contain an absentee ballot that is not in an inner envelope, the ballot shall be sealed in an inner envelope, initialed and dated by the person sealing the inner envelope, and deposited in the ballot box and counted in the same manner as other absentee ballots, provided that such ballot is otherwise proper. Such manager with two assistant managers, appointed by the superintendent, with such clerks as the manager deems necessary shall count the absentee ballots following the procedures prescribed by this chapter for other ballots, insofar as practicable~~, and prepare an election return for the county or municipality showing the results of the absentee ballots cast in such county or municipality~~.

(d) All absentee ballots shall be counted and tabulated in such a manner that returns may be reported by precinct; and separate returns shall be made for each precinct in which absentee ballots were cast showing the results by each precinct in which the electors reside. The superintendent shall utilize the procedures set forth in this Code section to ensure that the returns of verified absentee ballots cast are reported to the public as soon as possible following the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff.

(e) If an absentee elector's right to vote has been challenged for cause, a poll officer shall write 'Challenged,' the elector's name, and the alleged cause of challenge on the outer envelope and shall deposit the ballot in a secure, sealed ballot box; and it shall be counted as other challenged ballots are counted. Where direct recording electronic voting systems are used for absentee balloting and a challenge to an elector's right to vote is made prior to the time that the elector votes, the elector shall vote on a paper or optical scanning ballot and such ballot shall be handled as provided in this subsection. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector of such challenge.

(f) It shall be unlawful at any time prior to the close of the polls for any person to disclose or for any person to receive any information regarding the results of the tabulation of absentee ballots except as expressly provided by law."

**SECTION 14.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-390, relating to delivery of election materials to clerk of superior court or city clerk after primary or election and accounting for ballots by registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerks, by designating the existing text as subsection (a) and by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) The Secretary of State shall be authorized to inspect and audit the information contained in the absentee ballot applications or envelopes at his or her discretion at any time during the 24 month retention period. Such audit may be conducted state wide or in selected counties or cities and may include the auditing of a statistically significant sample of the envelopes or a full audit of all of such envelopes. For this purpose, the Secretary of State or his or her authorized agents shall have access to such envelopes in the custody of the clerk of superior court or city clerk."

**SECTION 15.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-403, relating to time for opening and closing of polls, by redesignating the existing text as subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) Poll hours at a precinct may be extended only by order of a judge of the superior court of the county in which the precinct is located upon good cause being shown."

**SECTION 16.**

Said chapter is further amended in Part 1 of Article 11, relating to general provisions regarding preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-420.

(a) After the time for the closing of the polls and the last elector voting, the poll officials in each precinct shall complete the required accounting and related documentation for the precinct and shall advise the election superintendent of the total number of ballots cast at such precinct and the total number of provisional ballots cast. In precincts using precinct-based counting or tabulation, the poll officials shall proceed

to count and tabulate the ballots cast. Such poll officials shall not cease such count until all ballots have been counted or tabulated and vote totals obtained, with the exception of provisional ballots. The chief manager and at least one assistant manager shall post a copy of the tabulated results for the precinct on the door of the precinct and then immediately deliver all required documentation and election materials to the election superintendent. In precincts using central counting or tabulation, the chief manager and at least one assistant manager shall, after completing the required accounting and related documentation for such precinct, immediately deliver all ballots and required documentation and election materials to the election superintendent or the counting and tabulating center designated by the election superintendent for processing, counting, and tabulation. The election superintendent shall then ensure that such ballots are processed, counted, and tabulated as soon as possible and shall not cease such count and tabulation until all such ballots are counted and tabulated.

(b) The election superintendent shall ensure that each precinct notifies the election superintendent of the number of ballots cast and number of provisional ballots cast as soon as possible after the time for the closing of the polls and the last elector votes. The election superintendent shall post such information publicly."

**SECTION 17.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-437, relating to procedure as to count and return of votes generally and void ballots, as follows:

"(a) After the polls close and as soon as all the ballots have been properly accounted for and those outside the ballot box as well as the voter's certificates, numbered list of voters, and electors list have been sealed, the poll officers shall open the ballot box and take therefrom all ballots contained therein. In primaries in which more than one ballot box is used, any ballots or stubs belonging to another party holding its primary in the same polling place shall be returned to the ballot box for the party for which they were issued. In primaries, separate tally and return sheets shall be prepared for each party, and separate poll officers shall be designated by the chief manager to count and tally each party's ballot. Where the same ballot box is being used by one or more parties, the ballots and stubs shall first be divided by party before being tallied and counted. The ballots shall then be counted one by one and a record made of the total number. Then the chief manager, together with such assistant managers and other poll officers as the chief manager may designate, under the scrutiny of one of the assistant managers and in the presence of the other poll officers, shall read aloud the names of the candidates marked or written upon each ballot, together with the office for which the person named is a candidate, and the answers contained on the ballots to the questions submitted, if any; and the other assistant manager and clerks shall carefully enter each vote as read and keep account of the same in ink on a sufficient number of tally papers, all of which shall be made at the same time. All ballots, after being removed from the box, shall be kept within the unobstructed view of all persons in the voting room until replaced in the box. No person, while handling the ballots, shall have in his or her hand

any pencil, pen, stamp, or other means of marking or spoiling any ballot. The poll officers shall immediately proceed to canvass and compute the votes cast and shall not adjourn or postpone the canvass or computation until it shall have been fully completed~~, except that, in the discretion of the superintendent, the poll officers may stop the counting after all contested races and questions are counted, provided that the results of these contested races and questions are posted for the information of the public outside the polling place and the ballots are returned to the ballot box and deposited with the superintendent until counting is resumed on the following day~~."

**SECTION 18.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-492, relating to computation and canvassing of returns, notice of when and where returns will be computed and canvassed, blank forms for making statements of returns, and swearing of assistants, as follows:

"21-2-492.

The superintendent shall arrange for the computation and canvassing of the returns of votes cast at each primary and election at his or her office or at some other convenient public place at the county seat or municipality following the close of the polls on the day of such primary or election with accommodations for those present insofar as space permits. An interested candidate or his or her representative shall be permitted to keep or check his or her own computation of the votes cast in the several precincts as the returns from the same are read, as directed in this article. The superintendent shall give at least one week's notice prior to the primary or election by publishing same in a conspicuous place in the superintendent's office, of the ~~time and~~ place ~~when and~~ where he or she will commence and hold his or her sessions for the computation and canvassing of the returns; and he or she shall keep copies of such notice posted in his or her office during such period. The superintendent shall procure a sufficient number of blank forms of returns made out in the proper manner and headed as the nature of the primary or election may require, for making out full and fair statements of all votes which shall have been cast within the county or any precinct therein, according to the returns from the several precincts thereof, for any person voted for therein, or upon any question voted upon therein. The assistants of the superintendent in the computation and canvassing of the votes shall be first sworn by the superintendent to perform their duties impartially and not to read, write, count, or certify any return or vote in a false or fraudulent manner."

**SECTION 19.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-493, relating to computation, canvassing, and tabulation of returns, investigation of discrepancies in vote counts, recount procedure, certification of returns, and change in returns, as follows:

"(a) The superintendent shall, ~~at or before 12:00 Noon~~ after the close of the polls on the day ~~following the~~ of a primary or election, at his or her office or at some other

convenient public place at the county seat or in the municipality, of which due notice shall have been given as provided by Code Section 21-2-492, publicly commence the computation and canvassing of the returns and continue ~~the same~~ until all absentee ballots received by the close of the polls, including those cast by advance voting, and all ballots cast on the day of the primary or election have been counted and tabulated and the results of such tabulation released to the public and, then, continuing with provisional ballots as provided in Code Sections 21-2-418 and 21-2-419 and those absentee ballots as provided in subparagraph (a)(1)(G) of Code Section 21-2-386 from day to day until completed. For this purpose, the superintendent may organize his or her assistants into sections, each of ~~which~~ whom may simultaneously proceed with the computation and canvassing of the returns from various precincts of the county or municipality in the manner provided by this Code section. Upon the completion of such computation and canvassing, the superintendent shall tabulate the figures for the entire county or municipality and sign, announce, and attest the same, as required by this Code section."

**SECTION 20.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 15, relating to miscellaneous offenses, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-568.1.

(a) Except while providing authorized assistance in voting under Code Section 21-2-409, no person shall intentionally observe an elector while casting a ballot in a manner that would allow such person to see for whom or what the elector is voting.

(b) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a felony."

**SECTION 21.**

Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding administrative procedure, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 50-13-4, relating to procedural requirements for adoption, amendment, or repeal of rules, emergency rules, limitation on action to contest rule, and legislative override, as follows:

"(b) If any agency finds that an imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare, including but not limited to, summary processes such as quarantines, contrabands, seizures, and the like authorized by law without notice, requires adoption of a rule upon fewer than 30 days' notice and states in writing its reasons for that finding, it may proceed without prior notice or hearing or upon any abbreviated notice and hearing that it finds practicable to adopt an emergency rule. Any such rule adopted relative to a public health emergency shall be submitted as promptly as reasonably practicable to the House of Representatives and Senate Committees on Judiciary, provided that any such rule adopted relative to a public health emergency by the State Election Board shall be submitted as soon as practicable but not later than 20 days prior to the rule taking effect. Any emergency rule adopted by the State Election Board pursuant to the

provisions of this subsection may be suspended upon the majority vote of the House of Representatives or Senate Committees on Judiciary within ten days of the receipt of such rule by the committees. The rule may be effective for a period of not longer than 120 days but the adoption of an identical rule under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section is not precluded; provided, however, that such a rule adopted pursuant to discharge of responsibility under an executive order declaring a state of emergency or disaster exists as a result of a public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 38-3-3, shall be effective for the duration of the emergency or disaster and for a period of not more than 120 days thereafter."

**SECTION 22.**

This Act shall be severable in accordance with Code Section 1-1-3.

**SECTION 23.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

A Minority Report was filed with SB 241.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| E Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | E Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 29, nays 20.

SB 241, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The President resumed the Chair.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 134. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 134 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 134, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 134. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article II, Section III of the Constitution is amended by revising Paragraph I as follows:

"Paragraph I. ***Procedures for and effect of suspending or removing public officials***

***upon felony indictment.*** (a) As used in this Paragraph, the term 'public official' means the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, the State School Superintendent, the Commissioner of Insurance, the Commissioner of Agriculture, the Commissioner of Labor, and any member of the General Assembly. (b) Upon indictment for a felony by a grand jury of this state or by the United States, which felony indictment relates to the performance or activities of the office of any public official, the Attorney General or district attorney shall transmit a certified copy of the indictment to the Governor or, if the indicted public official is the Governor, to the Lieutenant Governor who shall, subject to subparagraph (d) of this Paragraph, appoint a review commission. If the indicted public official is the Governor, the commission shall be composed of the Attorney General, the Secretary of State, the State School Superintendent, the Commissioner of Insurance, the Commissioner of Agriculture, and the Commissioner of Labor. If the indicted public official is the Attorney General, the commission shall be composed of three other public officials who are not members of the General Assembly. If the indicted public official is not the Governor, the Attorney General, or a member of the General Assembly, the commission shall be composed of the Attorney General and two other public officials who are not members of the General Assembly. If the indicted public official is a member of the General Assembly, the commission shall be composed of the Attorney General and one member of the Senate and one member of the House of Representatives. If the Attorney General brings the indictment against the public official, the Attorney General shall not serve on the commission. In place of the Attorney General, the Governor shall appoint a retired Supreme Court Justice or a retired Court of Appeals Judge. The commission shall provide for a speedy hearing, including notice of the nature and cause of the hearing, process for obtaining witnesses, and the assistance of counsel. Unless a longer period of time is granted by the appointing authority, the commission shall make a written report within 14 days. If the commission determines that the indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of the office of the indicted public official and that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby, the Governor or, if the Governor is the indicted public official, the Lieutenant Governor shall suspend the public official immediately and without further action pending the final disposition of the case or until the expiration of the officer's term of office, whichever occurs first. During the term of office to which such officer was elected and in which the indictment occurred, if a nolle prosequi is entered, if the public official is acquitted, or if after conviction the conviction is later overturned as a result of any direct appeal or application for a writ of certiorari, the officer shall be immediately reinstated to the office from which he was suspended. While a public official is suspended under this Paragraph ~~and until initial conviction by the trial court, the officer shall continue to receive the compensation from his office. After initial conviction by the trial court~~, the officer shall not be entitled to receive the compensation from his or her office. If the officer is reinstated to office, he or she shall be entitled to receive any compensation withheld under the provisions of this Paragraph.

(c) Unless the Governor is the public officer under suspension, for the duration of any suspension under this Paragraph, the Governor shall appoint a replacement officer except in the case of a member of the General Assembly. If the Governor is the public officer under suspension, the provisions of Article V, Section I, Paragraph V of this Constitution shall apply as if the Governor were temporarily disabled. Upon a final conviction with no appeal or review pending, the office shall be declared vacant and a successor to that office shall be chosen as provided in this Constitution or the laws enacted in pursuance thereof.

(d) No commission shall be appointed for a period of 14 days from the day the indictment is received. This period of time may be extended by the Governor. During this period of time, the indicted public official may, in writing, authorize the Governor or, if the Governor is the indicted public official, the Lieutenant Governor to suspend him or her from office. Any such voluntary suspension shall be subject to the same conditions for review, reinstatement, or declaration of vacancy as are provided in this Paragraph for a nonvoluntary suspension.

(e) After any suspension is imposed under this Paragraph, the suspended public official may petition the appointing authority for a review. The Governor or, if the indicted public official is the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor may reappoint the commission to review the suspension. The commission shall make a written report within 14 days. If the commission recommends that the public official be reinstated, he or she shall immediately be reinstated to office.

(f) The report and records of the commission and the fact that the public official has or has not been suspended shall not be admissible in evidence in any court for any purpose. The report and record of the commission shall not be open to the public.

(g) The provisions of this Paragraph shall not apply to any indictment handed down prior to January 1, 1985.

(h) If a public official who is suspended from office under the provisions of this Paragraph is not first tried at the next regular or special term following the indictment, the suspension shall be terminated and the public official shall be reinstated to office. The public official shall not be reinstated under this subparagraph if he or she is not so tried based on a continuance granted upon a motion made only by the defendant."

**SECTION 2.**

The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:

"( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to suspend the
( ) NO compensation of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, State School Superintendent, Commissioner of Insurance, Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Labor, or any member of the General Assembly while such individual is suspended from office following indictment for a felony?"

All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes." All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall become a part of the Constitution of this state.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | E Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 51, nays 1.

SR 134, having received the requisite two-thirds constitutional majority, was adopted.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/8/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SR 134. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Davenport of the 44th

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 144. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, so as to limit the ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 144 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 144, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 144. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, so as to limit the ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | E Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 36, nays 13.

SB 144, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 8, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 144. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 162. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th and Thompson of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-6-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the number of judges of superior courts, so as to provide for an additional judge of the superior court of the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 162 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 162, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 162. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th and Thompson of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-6-2 of the Official Code

of Georgia Annotated, relating to the number of judges of superior courts, so as to provide for an additional judge of the superior court of the Blue Ridge Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | E Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SB 162, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Davenport of the 44th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 106. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Dugan of the 30th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-742 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to multi-tiered system of supports prior to suspension or expulsion for certain students, so as to include wraparound services in the multi-tiered system of supports to be provided prior to expelling

or assigning a student in preschool through third grade to out-of-school suspension for more than five consecutive or cumulative days during a school year; to provide a definition of wraparound services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 106 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 106, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 106. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Dugan of the 30th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-742 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to multi-tiered system of supports prior to suspension or expulsion for certain students, so as to include wraparound services in the multi-tiered system of supports to be provided prior to expelling or assigning a student in preschool through third grade to out-of-school suspension for more than five consecutive or cumulative days during a school year; to provide a definition of wraparound services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to SB 106:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 20-2-742 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to multi-tiered system of supports prior to suspension or expulsion for certain students, so as to include wraparound services in the multi-tiered system of supports to be provided prior to expelling or assigning a student in preschool through eighth grade to out-of-school suspension for more than five consecutive or cumulative days during a school year; to provide a definition of wraparound services; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 20-2-742 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to multi-tiered system of supports prior to suspension or expulsion for certain students, is amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) as follows:

"(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Multi-tiered system of supports' or 'MTSS' means a systemic, continuous-improvement framework in which data based problem solving and decision making is practiced across all levels of the educational system for supporting students at multiple levels of intervention.

(2) 'Public preschool through ~~third~~ eighth grade' means a public preschool, a ~~Pre-K~~ pre-kindergarten program in a public school administered pursuant to Code Section 20-1A-4, and kindergarten through ~~third~~ eighth grade in a public school.

(3) 'Response to intervention' or 'RTI' means a framework of identifying and addressing the academic and behavioral needs of students through a tiered system.

(4) 'Weapon' ~~shall include~~ means and includes dangerous weapons, firearms, and hazardous objects as defined in Code Section 20-2-751.

(5) 'Wraparound services' means services provided to students and, in some instances, their families, which provide academic, social, or behavioral support for the student and which:

(A) Provide for early, continuous, intensive, and comprehensive child development and family support services intended to enhance the physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development of participating children;

(B) Provide referrals to relevant social services provided by programs in this state, including, but not limited to, early intervention, home based services, community programs, health and mental health services, nutrition services, and family support services;

(C) Provide students who have documented behavioral problems, including, but not limited to, issues involving behavior related to prior or existing trauma, with appropriate screening and referral services;

(D) Provide parents with a resource list of services, including, but not limited to, state, local, and community programs that support parents and provide training and support for parenting skills, positive parent-child interactions, child development, and access to health care;

(E) Provide information and referrals to students and families about state and nationally accredited high quality early childhood education programs, such as Early/Head Start programs, Georgia's Pre-K Program, or other providers of early childhood education and development programs through third grade; and

(F) Educate families about, and refer students to, state and nationally accredited high quality education programs for children in grades four through eight.

(b) Local school systems or schools shall make a multi-tiered system of supports, such as response to intervention and wraparound services, available to students and families, or shall provide appropriate referrals for such supports and services, at the discretion of school system or school officials; provided, however, that no ~~No~~ student in public preschool through ~~third~~ eighth grade shall be expelled or suspended from school for more than five consecutive or cumulative days during a school year without first receiving a multi-tiered system of supports, such as response to intervention and wraparound services, unless such student possessed a weapon, illegal drugs, or other dangerous

instrument or such student's behavior endangers the physical safety of other students or school personnel. If such student is receiving or has received a multi-tiered system of supports, the school shall be deemed to have met the requirements of this Code section. The school or program shall comply with all federal laws and requirements regarding obtaining parental consent during any advanced tier within the system of supports prior to certain screenings or evaluations."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Davenport of the 44th and Payne of the 54th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SB 106 (LC 49 0494S) by Line 32: Strike "but not limited to" and replace with "such as".
Line: 48: Strike "shall" and replace with "may".

Senator Tippins of the 37th offered the following amendment #2:

Amend SB 106 (LC 49 0494S) by striking the word Eighth on Lin 18 A replacing it with the word Third.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the Davenport amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Jackson of the 41st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the yeas were 30, nays 19, and the amendment to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 5.

SB 106, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 164. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Orrock of the 36th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-11-471, Title 16, and Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, crimes and offenses, and who may perform HIV tests, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of HIV related laws to align with science to ensure that laws and policies support current understanding of best public health practices for preventing and treating HIV, scientific evidence about routes of transmission, and the public health goals of promoting HIV prevention and treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 164 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 164, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 164. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Orrock of the 36th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-11-471, Title 16, and Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, crimes and offenses, and who may perform HIV tests, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of HIV related laws to align with science to ensure that laws and policies support current understanding of best public health practices for preventing and treating HIV, scientific evidence about routes of transmission, and the public health goals of promoting HIV prevention and treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 2.

SB 164, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 218. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of office, so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 218 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 218, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 218. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of office, so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 1.

SB 218, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 226. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sale or distribution of harmful materials to minors, so as to provide that the provisions of Code Section

16-12-103 shall be applicable to libraries operated by schools; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 226 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 226, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 226. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sale or distribution of harmful materials to minors, so as to provide that the provisions of Code Section 16-12-103 shall be applicable to libraries operated by schools; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 226:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 15 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to miscellaneous provisions of the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to require each local board of education to adopt a policy providing for a complaint resolution process to be used by its local school system to address complaints submitted by parents or guardians alleging that material that is harmful to minors has been provided or is currently available to a student; to provide for policy requirements; to require the Department of Education to develop a model policy and guidance for use by local school systems; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 15 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to miscellaneous provisions of the "Quality Basic Education Act," is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-324.6.

(a) As used in this Code section, 'harmful to minors' means that quality of description or representation, in whatever form, of nudity, sexual conduct, sexual excitement, or

sadomasochistic abuse, when it:

(1) Taken as a whole, predominantly appeals to the prurient, shameful, or morbid interest of minors;

(2) Is patently offensive to prevailing standards in the adult community as a whole with respect to what is suitable material for minors; and

(3) Is, when taken as a whole, lacking in serious literary, artistic, political, or scientific value for minors.

(b) No later than September 1, 2021, each local board of education shall adopt a complaint resolution policy for its local school system to be used to address complaints submitted by parents or guardians alleging that material that is harmful to minors has been provided or is currently available to a student enrolled in the local school system who is the child of such parent or guardian. The complaint resolution process shall require that:

(1) Complaints be submitted in writing to the principal of the school where the student is enrolled;

(2) The complaint shall provide a reasonably detailed description of the material that is alleged to be harmful to minors;

(3) Within seven business days of receiving such written complaint, the school principal or his or her designee shall review the complaint and take reasonable steps to investigate the allegations in the complaint, including, but not limited to, reviewing the material that is alleged to be harmful to minors, if it is available;

(4) The school principal shall determine whether the material that is the subject of the complaint is harmful to minors;

(5) The school principal shall determine whether student access to the material that is the subject of the complaint shall be removed or restricted;

(6) Within ten business days of receiving the complaint, unless another schedule is mutually agreed to by the complainant and the school principal, the school principal shall confer with the complainant and inform the complainant whether the material that is the subject of the complaint was determined to be harmful to minors, and whether student access to such material will be removed or restricted;

(7) The school principal's determinations provided for in paragraphs (4) and (5) of this subsection shall be subject to timely administrative review by the local school superintendent; and

(8) The local school superintendent's decision provided for in paragraph (7) of this subsection shall be subject to review by the local board of education pursuant to Code Section 20-2-1160.

(c) No later than July 1, 2021, the Department of Education shall promulgate a model policy for a complaint resolution process that meets the requirements of subsection (b) of this Code section. The Department of Education shall develop guidance for local school systems for use when determining whether material is harmful to minors. The Department of Education shall be authorized to revise such model policy and guidance from time to time and shall post such policy and guidance on its website in order to assist local school systems."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 16.

SB 226, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 234. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to provide for uniform laws governing

mediation and participants in mediation; to provide for definitions; to provide for privileges against disclosure, admissibility, and discovery; to provide for waiver and preclusion of privilege; to provide for exceptions to privilege; to provide for confidentiality and mediator disclosure of conflicts; to provide for international commercial mediation and electronic signatures; to provide for uniformity of construction and severability; to provide for applicability; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 234 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 234, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 234. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to provide for uniform laws governing mediation and participants in mediation; to provide for definitions; to provide for privileges against disclosure, admissibility, and discovery; to provide for waiver and preclusion of privilege; to provide for exceptions to privilege; to provide for confidentiality and mediator disclosure of conflicts; to provide for international commercial mediation and electronic signatures; to provide for uniformity of construction and severability; to provide for applicability; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 234:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to provide for uniform laws governing mediation and participants in mediation; to provide for definitions; to provide for privileges against disclosure, admissibility, and discovery; to provide for waiver and preclusion of privilege; to provide for exceptions to privilege; to provide for confidentiality and mediator disclosure of conflicts; to provide for international commercial mediation and electronic signatures; to provide for uniformity of construction and severability; to provide for applicability; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Uniform Mediation Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, is amended by adding a new chapter to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 17

9-17-1.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Mediation' means a process in which a mediator facilitates communication and negotiation between parties to assist them in reaching a voluntary agreement regarding their dispute.

(2) 'Mediation communication' means a statement, whether oral or in a record or verbal or nonverbal, that occurs during a mediation or is made for purposes of considering, conducting, participating in, initiating, continuing, terminating, or reconvening a mediation or retaining a mediator.

(3) 'Mediation party' means a person that participates in a mediation and whose agreement is necessary to resolve the dispute.

(4) 'Mediator' means an individual who conducts a mediation, or if conducting a mediation pursuant to the Supreme Court of Georgia Alternative Dispute Resolution Rules governing the use of alternative dispute resolution mechanisms by the courts of this state, an individual qualified to mediate under such rules.

(5) 'Nonparty participant' means a person, other than a mediation party or mediator, that participates in a mediation, including a representative of a party.

(6) 'Person' means an individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, limited liability company, association, joint venture, government; governmental subdivision, agency, or instrumentality; public corporation; or any other legal or commercial entity.

(7) 'Proceeding' means:

(A) A judicial, administrative, arbitral, or other adjudicative process, including related pre-hearing and post-hearing motions, conferences, and discovery; or

(B) A legislative hearing or similar process.

(8) 'Record' means information that is inscribed on a tangible medium or that is stored in an electronic or other medium and is retrievable in perceivable form.

(9) 'Sign' means:

(A) To execute or adopt a tangible symbol with the present intent to authenticate a record; or

(B) To attach or logically associate an electronic symbol, sound, or process to or with a record with the present intent to authenticate a record.

9-17-2.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) or (c) of this Code section, this chapter applies to a mediation in which:

(1) The mediation parties are required to mediate by statute or court or administrative agency rule or referred to mediation by a court, administrative agency, or arbitrator;

(2) The mediation parties and the mediator agree to mediate in a record that demonstrates an expectation that mediation communications will be privileged against disclosure; or

(3) The mediation parties use as a mediator an individual who holds himself or herself out as a mediator or as a provider of mediation services.

(b) This chapter shall not apply to a mediation:

(1) Relating to the establishment, negotiation, administration, or termination of a collective bargaining relationship;

(2) Relating to a dispute that is pending under or is part of the processes established by a collective bargaining agreement, except that this chapter shall apply to a mediation arising out of such a dispute that has been filed with an administrative agency or court;

(3) Conducted by a judge where that judge acts as a mediator and may still make a ruling on the dispute; or

(4) Conducted under the auspices of:

(A) A primary or secondary school if all the mediation parties are students; or

(B) A correctional institution for persons who are under the age of 18 years if all the mediation parties are residents of that institution.

(c) If the parties agree in advance in a signed record, or a record of proceeding reflects agreement by the parties, that all or part of a mediation is not privileged, the privileges under Code Sections 9-17-3 through 9-17-5 do not apply to the mediation or part agreed upon. However, Code Sections 9-17-3 through 9-17-5 apply to a mediation communication made by a person that has not received actual notice of the agreement before the communication is made.

9-17-3.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in Code Section 9-17-6, a mediation communication is privileged as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section and is not subject to discovery or admissible in evidence in a proceeding unless waived or precluded as provided by Code Section 9-17-4.

(b) In a proceeding, the following privileges apply:

(1) A mediation party may refuse to disclose and may prevent any other person from disclosing a mediation communication;

(2) A mediator may refuse to disclose a mediation communication and may prevent any other person from disclosing a mediation communication of the mediator; and

(3) A nonparty participant may refuse to disclose and may prevent any other person from disclosing a mediation communication of the nonparty participant.

(c) Evidence or information that is otherwise admissible or subject to discovery does not become inadmissible or protected from discovery solely by reason of its disclosure or use in a mediation.

9-17-4.

(a) A privilege under Code Section 9-17-3 may be waived in a record if it is expressly waived by all mediation parties and:

(1) In the case of the privilege of a mediator, it is expressly waived by the mediator; and

(2) In the case of the privilege of a nonparty participant, it is expressly waived by the nonparty participant.

(b) A person that discloses or makes a representation about a mediation communication which prejudices another person in a proceeding is precluded from asserting a privilege under Code Section 9-17-3, but only to the extent necessary for the person prejudiced to respond to the representation or disclosure.

(c) A person that intentionally uses a mediation to plan, attempt to commit or commit a crime, or to conceal an ongoing crime or ongoing criminal activity is precluded from asserting a privilege under Code Section 9-17-3.

9-17-5.

(a) There shall be no privilege under Code Section 9-17-3 for a mediation communication that is:

(1) In an agreement evidenced by a record signed by all parties to the agreement;

(2) Available to the public under Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to open records, or made during a session of a mediation which is open, or is required by law to be open, to the public;

(3) A threat or statement of a plan to inflict bodily injury or commit a criminal act of violence;

(4) Intentionally used to plan a criminal act, to commit or attempt to commit a criminal act, or to conceal an ongoing criminal act or criminal activity;

(5) Sought or offered to prove or disprove a claim or complaint of professional misconduct or malpractice filed against a mediator;

(6) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, sought or offered to prove or disprove a claim or complaint of professional misconduct or malpractice filed against a mediation party, nonparty participant, or representative of a party based on conduct occurring during a mediation; or

(7) Sought or offered to prove or disprove abuse, neglect, abandonment, or exploitation in a proceeding in which a child or adult protective services agency is a party, unless the public agency participates in the Division of Family and Children Services mediation.

(b) There shall be no privilege under Code Section 9-17-3 if a court, administrative agency, or arbitrator finds, after a hearing in camera, that the party seeking discovery or the proponent of the evidence has shown that the evidence is not otherwise available,

that there is a need for the evidence that substantially outweighs the interest in protecting confidentiality, and that the mediation communication is sought or offered in:

(1) A court proceeding involving a felony; or

(2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, a proceeding to prove a claim to rescind or reform or a defense to avoid liability on a contract arising out of the mediation.

(c) A mediator shall not be compelled to provide evidence of a mediation communication referred to in paragraph (6) of subsection (a) or paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(d) If a mediation communication is not privileged under subsection (a) or (b) of this Code section, only the portion of the communication necessary for the application of the exception from nondisclosure may be admitted. Admission of evidence under subsection (a) or (b) of this Code section does not render the evidence, or any other mediation communication, discoverable or admissible for any other purpose.

9-17-6.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, a mediator shall not make a report, assessment, evaluation, recommendation, finding, or other communication regarding a mediation to a court, administrative agency, or other authority that may make a ruling on the dispute that is the subject of the mediation.

(b) A mediator may disclose:

(1) Whether the mediation occurred or has terminated, whether a settlement was reached, and attendance;

(2) A mediation communication as permitted under Code Section 9-17-5; or

(3) A mediation communication evidencing abuse, neglect, abandonment, or exploitation of an individual to a public agency responsible for protecting individuals against such mistreatment.

(c) A communication made in violation of subsection (a) of this Code section may not be considered by a court, administrative agency, or arbitrator.

9-17-7.

Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, mediation and mediation communications, and such related conduct, shall not be admissible or subject to disclosure, except to the extent agreed to by the parties in writing or as provided in Code Section 24-4-408 or other law or court required rule of this state, unless such communications are subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to open records.

9-17-8.

(a) Before accepting a mediation, an individual who is requested to serve as a mediator shall:

(1) Make an inquiry that is reasonable under the circumstances to determine whether

there are any known facts that a reasonable individual would consider likely to affect the impartiality of the mediator, including a financial or personal interest in the outcome of the mediation and an existing or past relationship with a mediation party or foreseeable participant in the mediation; and

(2) Disclose any such known fact to the mediation parties as soon as is practical before accepting a mediation.

(b) If a mediator learns any fact described in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section after accepting a mediation, the mediator shall disclose it as soon as is practicable.

(c) At the request of a mediation party, an individual who is requested to serve as a mediator shall disclose the mediator's qualifications to mediate a dispute.

(d) A person that violates subsection (a) or (b) of this Code section is precluded by the violation from asserting a privilege under Code Section 9-17-3.

(e) Subsection (a), (b), or (c) of this Code section shall not apply to an individual acting as a judge.

(f) This chapter shall not require that a mediator have a special qualification by background or profession.

9-17-9.

An attorney or other individual designated by a party may accompany the party to and participate in a mediation. A waiver of participation given before the mediation may be rescinded.

9-17-10.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'Model Law' means the Model Law on International Commercial Mediation and International Settlement Agreements Resulting from Mediation, as approved at the 51st Session of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on June 26, 2018.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsections (c) and (d) of this Code section, if a mediation is an international commercial mediation as defined by the Model Law, the mediation is governed by the Model Law.

(c) Unless the parties agree in accordance with subsection (c) of Code Section 9-17-2, that all or part of an international commercial mediation is not privileged, Code Sections 9-17-3, 9-17-4, and 9-17-5 and any applicable definitions in Code Section 9-17-1 also apply to the mediation and nothing in Article 11 of the Model Law derogates from Code Sections 9-17-3, 9-17-4, and 9-17-5.

(d) If the parties to an international commercial mediation agree that the Model Law shall not apply, this chapter shall apply.

9-17-11.

This chapter modifies, limits, or supersedes the federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 7001, et seq., but shall not modify, limit, or supersede Section 101(c) of such act or authorize electronic delivery of any of

the notices described in Section 103(b) of such act.

9-17-12.
In applying and construing this chapter, consideration should be given to the need to promote uniformity of the law with respect to its subject matter among states that enact it.

9-17-13.
If any provision of this chapter or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this chapter which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this chapter are severable.

9-17-14.
This chapter shall apply to all mediation agreements and mediation proceedings entered into on or after July 1, 2021."

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 2.

SB 234, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Anderson of the 24th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 247. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th, Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, so as to replace certain public hearings with online public comment opportunities; to revise procedures for issuing, amending, and renewing marketing orders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 247 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 247, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 247. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th, Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, so as to replace certain public hearings with online public comment opportunities; to revise procedures for issuing, amending, and renewing marketing orders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs offered the following substitute to SB 247:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, so as to provide for full or partial remote communication with regard to public hearings; to provide for notice of hearings; to revise procedures for issuing, amending, and renewing marketing orders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, is amended by revising Code Section 2-8-21, relating to issuance of marketing orders authorized, notice, public hearing, record, reports from handlers, compilation of lists of producers and handlers, and use of information in reports, as follows:

"2-8-21.

(a) The Commissioner, upon the approval and request of a commission governed by this article, is authorized to issue, administer, and enforce the provisions of marketing orders regulating producer marketing or the handling of agricultural commodities within this state.

(b)(1) Whenever the Commissioner has reason to believe that the issuance of a marketing order or amendments to an existing marketing order will tend to effectuate the declared policy of this article with respect to any agricultural commodity, he or she shall, either upon his or her own motion, upon the motion of any commission, or upon the application of any producer of such commodity or any organization of such persons, give due notice of and an opportunity for a public hearing either in person or wholly or partially by means of remote communication as determined by the Commissioner upon a proposed marketing order or amendments to an existing marketing order.

(2) Notice of any hearing called for such purpose shall be given by the Commissioner or the commission by publishing a notice of such hearing for a period of not less than five days ~~in a newspaper of general circulation published in the capital of the state and in such other newspapers as the Commissioner may prescribe~~ on the Commissioner's website and in The Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin or other similar publication that will effectively notify those affected by such marketing order or amendment. ~~No such public hearing shall be held prior to five days after the last day of such period of publication.~~ The Commissioner or the commission shall also mail a copy of such notice of hearing and a copy of such proposed marketing order or proposed amendments to all producers of such agricultural commodity whose names and addresses appear upon lists of such persons on file in the department and who may be directly affected by the provisions of such proposed marketing order or such proposed amendments. ~~Such notice of hearing shall in all respects comply with the requirements of Chapter 13 of~~

~~Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.'~~

(3) ~~The hearing shall be public and all testimony shall be received under oath.~~ The hearing and all testimony shall be public. A full and complete record of the proceedings at such hearing shall be made and maintained on file in the office of the Commissioner or the commission. The hearing shall, in all respects, be conducted in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.' The hearing may be conducted by the commission, by a member of the commission, or by the Commissioner, as may be designated by the commission in each instance, but no decision shall be made based on hearings conducted other than by the commission itself, at which a majority of the members thereof are present, until the members of the commission have been afforded an opportunity to review the hearing record. Where the commission conducts hearings, its recommendation shall be based on the findings reached after a review of the record of the hearing.

(c)(1) In order to provide the Commissioner or the commission with accurate and reliable information with respect to the persons who may be directly affected by any proposed marketing order for any agricultural commodity when such information is not then on file in the department, the Commissioner or the commission is authorized and directed, whenever the Commissioner or the commission has reason to believe that the issuance of a marketing order will tend to effectuate the declared policy of this article or upon receipt of a written application for a hearing pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section, to notify all handlers of such agricultural commodity, by publication of a notice as required in paragraph (2) of this subsection, to file with the Commissioner or the commission within ten days from the last date of such publication a report, properly certified, showing:

(A) The correct name and address of such handler;

(B) The quantities of the agricultural commodity affected by the proposed marketing order handled by such handler in the marketing season next preceding the filing of such report;

(C) The correct names and addresses of all producers of such agricultural commodity who may be directly affected by such proposed marketing order, from whom such handler received such agricultural commodity in the marketing season next preceding the filing of such report; and

(D) The quantities of such agricultural commodity received by such handler from each such producer in the marketing season next preceding the filing of such report.

(2) The notice to handlers requiring them to file a report shall be published by the Commissioner or the commission for a period of not less than five days ~~in a newspaper of general circulation published in the capital of the state and in such other newspaper or newspapers as the Commissioner or the commission may prescribe~~ on the Commissioner’s website and in The Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin or other similar publication that will effectively notify those affected by such marketing order or amendment. The Commissioner or the commission shall also mail a copy of such notice to all handlers of such agricultural commodity whose names and addresses appear upon the lists on file in the department who may be directly affected by such

proposed marketing order.

(3) Each handler of an agricultural commodity directly affected by a proposed marketing order shall file his or her verified report with the Commissioner or the commission within the time frame specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection. Failure or refusal of any handler to file such report shall not invalidate any proceeding taken or marketing order issued. The Commissioner or the commission is authorized and directed to proceed upon the basis of such information and reports as may otherwise be available.

(4) From the reports so filed and the information so received or available to the Commissioner or the commission, including any proper corrections, the Commissioner or the commission shall prepare a list of the names and addresses of such producers and the volume of such commodity produced or marketed by all such producers and a list of the names and addresses of such handlers and the volume of such commodity handled by all such handlers, directly affected by such proposed marketing order or amendments thereto, in the preceding marketing season. Such lists shall constitute complete and conclusive lists for use in any finding made by the Commissioner or the commission pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 2-8-23 and such findings shall be conclusive.

(5) The information contained in the individual reports of handlers filed with the Commissioner or the commission pursuant to this Code section shall not be made public in such form. The information contained in such reports may be prepared in combined form for use by the Commissioner or the commission, their agents, or other interested persons in the formulation, administration, and enforcement of a marketing order or may be made available pursuant to court order. Such information shall not be made available to anyone for private purposes."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 2-8-23, relating to approval by producers prerequisite to issuance of marketing order or major amendment, notice, rules and regulations, expiration, extensions, and referendum, as follows:

"2-8-23.

(a)(1)(A) No marketing order or major amendment thereto, directly affecting producers or producer marketing, issued pursuant to this article, shall be made effective by the Commissioner or the commission until ~~the finding of one or more of the following:~~

~~(A) That such marketing order or amendment thereto has been assented to in writing by not less than 65 percent of the producers who are engaged within the area specified in such marketing order or amendment thereto in the production for market or the producer marketing of not less than 51 percent of the agricultural commodity specified therein in commercial quantities;~~

~~(B) That such marketing order or amendment thereto has been assented to in writing by producers who produce not less than 65 percent of the volume of such agricultural commodity and by 51 percent of the total number of producers so engaged; or~~

~~(C) That such marketing order or amendment thereto has been approved or favored by producers in a referendum among producers directly affected if the valid votes cast in such referendum in favor of such marketing order or amendment thereto represent not less than 51 percent of the total number of producers of the commodity of record with the department who marketed not less than 51 percent of the total quantity of the commodity marketed in the next preceding marketing season by the total number of producers of record with the department~~ approved in a referendum by two-thirds of a quorum consisting of at least 25 percent of the notified eligible producers who are engaged within the area specified in such marketing order or amendment thereto.

(B) No marketing order renewal, directly affecting producers or producer marketing, issued pursuant to this article, shall be made effective by the Commissioner or the Commission until approved in a referendum by two-thirds of the producers who are engaged within the area specified in such marketing order or amendment thereto.

(2) Whenever any marketing order or any major amendment to any marketing order is issued by the commission, the commission shall determine whether assent, approval, or favor thereto of the producers shall be by written assents or by referendum.

(3) If the Commissioner or the commission determines that a referendum shall be had, the Commissioner or the commission shall establish a referendum period of 30 days. At the close of such referendum period, the Commissioner or the commission shall count and tabulate the ballots filed during such period. ~~If from such tabulation the Commissioner or the commission finds that the number of producers voting in favor of such marketing order or amendment thereto is not less than 51 percent of the total number of producers of record with the department and that such producers who voted in favor of the marketing order or amendment thereto marketed not less than 51 percent of the total volume of such commodity marketed by all producers of record with the department during the marketing season next preceding such referendum, the Commissioner or the commission may make such marketing order or amendment thereto effective. The Commissioner and the commission are authorized to prescribe such additional procedures as may be necessary to conduct such referendum.~~

(4) At a public hearing held to consider a proposed marketing order or major amendments to an existing marketing order which directly affect producers or producer marketing, the Commissioner or the commission shall also receive testimony or evidence from which he or she or it can determine whether the assent, approval, or favor of such producers shall be determined by written assents or by referendum as prescribed in this Code section. Upon the conclusion of any hearing which involves a marketing order or a major amendment thereto directly affecting producers or producer marketing, the Commissioner or the commission shall make a finding, based upon the testimony and evidence received, whether producer assent, approval, or favor shall be determined by written assents or by referendum. If the Commissioner or the commission finds that a referendum shall be had, he or she or it shall direct that a referendum be held in accordance with this subsection.

(5) Any referendum or assent in writing to a marketing order under paragraphs (3), (5), and (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 2-8-22 shall be held pursuant to this Code

section; and upon the approval thereof by two-thirds of those voting therein, where the total vote cast thereon represents not less than 25 percent of those eligible to vote or where the total vote cast thereon represents not less than 25 percent of the total amount of the affected agricultural commodity, such marketing order may be declared by the commission to be approved.

(6) In the event of the failure of any proposed marketing order to be approved, no additional referendum thereon shall be held during a period of 12 months from the date of the close of the previous referendum period.

(b) Subject to the provisions, restrictions, and limitations imposed in this article, the Commissioner or the commission may issue marketing orders regulating producer marketing and the processing, distributing, or handling in any manner of agricultural commodities by any and all persons engaged in such producer marketing, processing, distributing, or handling of such agricultural commodities within this state.

(c)(1) Upon the recommendation of not less than three of the appointive members of the commission, the Commissioner or the commission may make effective minor amendments to a marketing order. The Commissioner or the commission may require a public hearing upon minor amendments if in ~~his or its~~ the Commissioner's or commission's opinion the substance of such minor amendments so warrants. The Commissioner or the commission, however, shall not be required to submit minor amendments for written assents or referendum approval.

(2) In making effective major amendments to a marketing order, the Commissioner or the commission shall follow the same procedures prescribed in this article for the institution of a marketing order. For the purpose of this article, a major amendment to a marketing order shall include, but shall not be limited to, any amendment which adds to or deletes from any such marketing order any of the following types of regulations or authorizations:

(A) Authority for regulating the period or periods during which any agricultural commodity or any grade, size, or quality of such commodity may be processed, distributed, or otherwise marketed within this state;

(B) Authority for the establishment of uniform grading and inspection of any agricultural commodity and the establishment of grading standards of quality, condition, size, or pack of such commodity;

(C) Authority for the establishment of plans for advertising and sales promotion of any agricultural commodity;

(D) Authority to prohibit unfair trade practices;

(E) Authority for carrying out research studies in the production, processing, or distribution of any agricultural commodity;

(F) Authority to increase an assessment rate beyond the maximum rate authorized by the marketing order in effect;

(G) Authority to extend the application of the provisions of any marketing order to portions or uses of an agricultural commodity not previously subject to such provisions or to restrict or extend the application of such provisions upon the producers or handlers of such portions or uses of such commodity.

(3) Modification of any provisions of any marketing order in effect, for the purpose of clarifying the meaning or application of such provisions or of modifying administrative procedures for carrying out such provisions, are declared not to be a major amendment of such marketing order.

(d) Upon the issuance of any order making effective a marketing order or any suspension, amendment, or termination thereof, ~~a notice thereof shall be posted on a public bulletin board maintained at the Department of Agriculture; and~~ a copy of such notice shall be published as the Commissioner or the commission may prescribe. No marketing order nor any suspension, amendment, or termination thereof shall become effective until the termination of a period of five days from the date of such posting and publication. It shall also be the duty of the Commissioner or the commission to mail a copy of the notice of such issuance to all persons directly affected by the terms of such marketing order, suspension, amendment, or termination whose names and addresses are on file in the office of the Commissioner or the commission and to every person who files in the office of the Commissioner or the commission a written request for such notice.

(e) The Commissioner or the commission shall have the power, consistent with this article and in accordance with marketing orders and agreements made effective under this article, to establish such general rules and regulations for uniform application to all marketing orders issued hereunder as may be necessary to facilitate the administration and enforcement of such marketing orders. The provisions of subsection (d) of this Code section relative to ~~posting, publication,~~ publication, mailing of notice, and time of taking effect shall be applicable to any such general rule or regulation established pursuant to this subsection and applicable to marketing orders generally. Such notice shall be furnished by the Commissioner or the commission for each marketing order in active operation.

(f) Upon the recommendation of the commission concerned, the Commissioner shall have the power, consistent with this article, to establish administrative rules and regulations for each marketing order issued and made effective as may be necessary to facilitate the supervision, administration, and enforcement of each such order. The provisions of subsection (d) of this Code section relative to ~~posting~~, publication, mailing of notice, and time of taking effect shall be applicable to any such administrative rules and regulations.

(g) Unless extended as provided in this Code section, all marketing orders issued under the authority of this article shall expire, terminate, and become of no force and effect at the expiration of three years from the date of the issuance of the original marketing order or, if such marketing order has been extended, at the expiration of three years after the date of any such extension.

(h) In the event either one of the following conditions is complied with, a marketing order shall be extended for a period of three years after the date of its original expiration:

(1) Assent has been given in writing to such marketing order by not less than two-thirds of the producers participating; or

(2) Approval or favor of such marketing order has been given by producers in a referendum among producers directly affected if at least 66 2/3 percent of the votes cast

in such referendum favor the extension of such marketing order.

(i) If the Commissioner or the commission determines that a referendum shall be held, the Commissioner or the commission shall establish a referendum period of 30 days, such referendum period to terminate at least 30 days prior to the expiration date of the marketing order which is the subject of such referendum. At the close of such referendum period, the Commissioner or the commission shall count and tabulate the ballots cast during such period. If from such tabulation the Commissioner or the commission finds that the number of producers voting in favor of the extension of such marketing order is not less than 66 2/3 percent of the total number of ballots cast, then such marketing order shall be extended for a period of three years after the expiration date. If it is found from the tabulation of such referendum that the number of producers who had voted in favor of the extension of such marketing order is less than the required 66 2/3 percent of the total number of ballots cast, then the marketing order shall expire, terminate, and be of no force and effect as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Anderson of the 24th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to SB 247 (LC 44 1702S) by replacing* "Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, so as to" *on lines 1 and 2 with* "Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agriculture, so as to repeal and reserve Code Section 2-4-8, relating to terms of office of appointed members of commission and board; to".

*By inserting after line 7 the following:*

Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agriculture, is amended by repealing Code Section 2-4-8, relating to terms of office of appointed members of commission and board, and designating said Code section as reserved.

**SECTION 2.**

*By replacing* "Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, is" *in lines 8 and 9 with* "Said title is further".

*By replacing* "**SECTION 2.**" *in line 104 with* "**SECTION 3.**".

*By replacing* "Said article" *in line 105 with* "Said title".

*By replacing* "**SECTION 3.**" *in line 262 with* "**SECTION 4.**".

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Anderson amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 247, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Orrock of the 36th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 154. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Butler of the 55th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee for Strengthening Georgia's Future Workforce; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 154 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 154, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 154. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Butler of the 55th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee for Strengthening Georgia's Future Workforce; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Higher Education offered the following substitute to SR 154:

A RESOLUTION

Creating the Joint Study Committee for Strengthening Georgia's Future Workforce; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, in order to maintain Georgia's hard-earned position as the "Top State for Doing Business" in the United States, continued investment and innovation in educating and developing a high quality workforce is required; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's economy continues to experience historic growth in fields such as technology, healthcare, and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, 70 percent of all global FinTech transactions currently pass through Georgia, generating more than 30,000 professional jobs and fueling continued economic growth in technology related fields; and

WHEREAS, many of these fields are increasingly dependent on workers with some level of postsecondary education and, in fact, more than 60 percent of Georgia jobs will require some level of postsecondary education by 2025, while only half the number of Georgians over 25 have bachelor degrees; and

WHEREAS, financial challenges create roadblocks for many students working toward a postsecondary credential or degree, placing Georgia near the bottom in college graduation rates according to a 2018 report, with only 31 percent of Georgians between the ages of 18 and 24 enrolled in college; and

WHEREAS, tuition and fees associated with postsecondary education have increased dramatically over the last 30 years while federal student aid for higher education has

decreased over the same period; and

WHEREAS, the average cost of college attendance through the University System of Georgia increased 77 percent between 2006 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, HOPE is the most generous state financial aid program in the country, but Georgia is one of only two states that does not offer broad need-based scholarships to students; and

WHEREAS, many hardworking Georgians lack the financial means to successfully pursue postsecondary education in preparation for entering the workforce without incurring substantial student loan debt; and

WHEREAS, former Governor Nathan Deal led efforts to improve access to postsecondary education for high-performing and financially-disadvantaged middle school students through his innovative REACH Scholarship program; and

WHEREAS, the lifetime earnings of each new four-year college graduate will increase Georgia's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by almost $2 million, providing a significant boost to the state's economy; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia General Assembly passed HB 787 in 2018 which included a provision authorizing the Georgia Student Finance Commission to create Georgia's first broad need-based aid program for university system students; and

WHEREAS, study is needed to determine the optimal structure and funding of any need-based aid program; and

WHEREAS, further study is needed to gather information and identify areas where a need-based scholarship program could aid in improving workforce development; and

WHEREAS, the study of existing data and available information related to improving the workforce available to Georgia's growing economy can be instructive for any needed revisions to laws in this state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

(1) **Creation of joint study committee.** There is created the Joint Study Committee for Strengthening Georgia's Future Workforce.

(2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall be composed of 17 members as follows:

(A) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint five members of the House of Representatives, comprising three members from the majority caucus and

two members from the minority caucus, as members of the committee and shall designate one of such members as cochairperson;

(B) The President of the Senate shall appoint five members of the Senate, comprising three members from the majority caucus and two members from the minority caucus, as members of the committee and shall designate one of such members as cochairperson;

(C) The Governor, or the Governor's representative;

(D) The chancellor of the University System of Georgia, or the chancellor's representative;

(E) The commissioner of the Technical College System of Georgia, or the commissioner's representative;

(F) The president of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, or the president's representative;

(G) The commissioner of the Georgia Department of Economic Development, or the commissioner's representative;

(H) The president of the Georgia Independent Colleges Association, or the president's representative; and

(I) One member of the business community who is a president or chief executive officer of a Georgia business or business association, appointed by the Governor.

(3) **Powers and duties.** The committee shall undertake a study of the conditions, needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate.

(4) **Meetings.** The cochairpersons shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

(5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

(A) The legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(B) Members of the committee who are state officials, other than legislative members, or state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the committee, but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the committee in the same manner as they are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

(C) Members of the committee who are not legislators, state officials, or state employees shall receive a daily expense allowance in an amount the same as that specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state employees.

(D) The allowances and expenses authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the Senate and the House of Representatives; except that

funds for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to or otherwise available to their respective agencies.

(6) **Report.**

(A) In the event the committee adopts any specific findings or recommendations that include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file a report of the same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(B) In the event the committee adopts a report that does not include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file the report, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee. A report so approved shall be signed by the cochairpersons of the committee and filed with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

(D) In the absence of an approved report, the cochairpersons may file with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives copies of the minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

(7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall stand abolished on December 1, 2021.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |

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| N Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 47, nays 3.

SR 154, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 5, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 156 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 156, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related

matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 156:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"34-2-3.1.

(a) There is created the office of the chief labor officer, who shall exercise the authority of the Commissioner of Labor in matters performed by the Commissioner as specified in this title. The actions of the chief labor officer shall have the same force and effect as the actions of the Commissioner of Labor, unless otherwise specifically provided in this title.

(b) In addition to the powers and authority granted to the chief labor officer in subsection (a) of this Code section, the chief labor officer shall also have the power, authority, and duty to:

(1) Provide timely reports relating to claims for unemployment compensation benefits as required under Code Section 34-8-70;

(2) Develop and implement a strategy to improve the reliability and timeliness of service to the citizens of Georgia regarding the proper payment of unemployment insurance benefits;

(3) Develop and make accessible a consent form providing access to citizens of Georgia and their elected representatives to certain information and records under Code Section 34-8-125; and

(4) Provide timely reports and responses to any financial audits of the Department of Labor.

(c) The chief labor officer shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate Committee on Government Oversight, and shall hold no other state office. He or she shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. The chief labor officer shall be required to take and subscribe before the Governor an oath to discharge faithfully and

impartially the duties of such office, which oath shall be in addition to the oath required of all civil officers.

(d) The chief labor officer shall receive a salary as determined by the Governor and paid from funds appropriated to the Department of Labor.

(e) The chief labor officer may be required by the Governor to give bond not to exceed the amount of any bond as may be required for the Commissioner of Labor. The premium on the bond shall be paid as an expense of the Department of Labor.

(f) This Code section shall stand repealed on January 9, 2023."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | N Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 32, nays 18.

SB 156, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 225. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Rhett of the 33rd, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a veteran's license plate to individuals who served in the armed forces for an ally of the United States during active military combat; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 225 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 225, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 225. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Rhett of the 33rd, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a veteran's license plate to individuals who served in the armed forces for an ally of the United States during active military combat; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Harbison of the 15th, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th and Brass of the 28th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SB 225 (LC 39 2930) by on lines 43-45 substitute with the Following

"An individual who served in the Armed Forces of an Ally of the United States during Active Military combat in the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm, or the Global War on Terrorism and who is discharged or separated under conditions other

than dishonorable."

Substitute the Following for Lines 73-75:
the design of a Veteran's License plate issued to a Veteran defined in sub paragraph (A)(3)(b) of this code section shall be distinctive in nature by inclusion of the legend" "Allied Veteran" in leiu of the name of the Country of issuance and bear such other distinctive design as determined by the Commissioner. The Commissioner shall promulgate such Rules and Regulations as may be necessary or advisable to implement the design and issuance of such distinctive "Allied Veteran Plates".

Senator Harbison of the 15th offered the following amendment #1A:

Amend SB 225 (LC 39 2930) by striking line 10 of Amendment #1 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:
"by striking after the period on line 73 through line 75 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:"

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Harbison amendment #1A to amendment #1 was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the Harbison amendment #1 was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| E Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SB 225, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 166. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to require certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 166 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 166, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 166. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to require certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to SB 166:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to require certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, is amended by revising Code Section 15-12-135, relating to disqualification for relationship to interested party, as follows:

"15-12-135.

(a) All trial jurors in the courts of this state shall be disqualified to act or serve in any case or matter when such jurors are related by consanguinity or affinity to any party interested in the result of the case or matter within the third degree as computed according to the civil law. Relationship more remote shall not be a disqualification.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section, jurors shall not be qualified in open court regarding a relationship with any insurance company that may have a financial interest in the outcome of the case. Rather, jurors shall complete a questionnaire under oath that identifies their current employers and their current insurance companies, if any. The court shall exclude any jurors for cause, after voir dire, if the questionnaire reveals a relationship to any insurance company that has a financial interest in the outcome of the case.

~~(b)~~(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this Code section, any juror, irrespective of ~~his~~ relationship to a party to the case or ~~his~~ interest in the case, shall be qualified to try any civil case when there is no defense filed unless one of the parties to the case objects to the related juror."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |

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| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 26, nays 24.

SB 166, having failed to receive the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/08/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 166. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Hatchett of the 50th

Senator Cowsert of the 46th moved that the Senate reconsider its action in defeating the following bill.

SB 166. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to require certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |

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| N Au | Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 31, nays 20; the motion prevailed, and SB 166 was reconsidered.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/08/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on reconsideration of SB 166. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Hatchett of the 50th

SB 166. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Harbin of the 16th and Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to require certain procedures for disqualification of jurors; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 27, nays 24.

SB 166, having failed to receive the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/08/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on SB 166 upon reconsideration. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Hatchett of the 50th

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 72. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that county registrars shall obtain monthly from the coroner, judge of the probate court, and funeral homes in the county identifying information about persons who died in the county during the previous month; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 72 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 72, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 72. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Hickman of the 4th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that county registrars shall obtain monthly from the coroner, judge of the probate court, and funeral homes in the county identifying information about persons who died in the county during the previous month; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 5.

SB 72, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 8, 2021

I inadvertently voted yes on SB 72. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 74. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the ability of poll watchers at tabulating centers to observe the vote counting process; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 74 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 74, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 74. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise the ability of poll watchers at tabulating centers to observe the vote counting process; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 36, nays 18.

SB 74, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 62. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Ginn of the 47th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that the name and designation of the precinct appears on every ballot; to provide for the use of holographic security devices on ballots; to provide for the storage and retention of absentee ballots by precinct with chain of custody; to provide for the manner of handling and processing ballots requiring duplication for processing; to provide for the maintenance of certain lists of absentee voters; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 62 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 62, having been taken from the Table, was placed at

the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 62. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Ginn of the 47th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that the name and designation of the precinct appears on every ballot; to provide for the use of holographic security devices on ballots; to provide for the storage and retention of absentee ballots by precinct with chain of custody; to provide for the manner of handling and processing ballots requiring duplication for processing; to provide for the maintenance of certain lists of absentee voters; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 62:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that the name and designation of the precinct appears on every ballot; to provide for the use of overt, covert, and forensic level security elements on ballots; to provide for the storage and retention of absentee ballots by precinct with secure chain of custody; to provide for high security end to end secure supply chain for ballots using a secure print facility, restricted security inks, restricted ink markers, and verification devices for the security elements on ballots; to provide for a turn key supply chain delivery system of ballots including secure storage, packaging, shipping, training, auditing, reports, and analytics of all processes involving ballots; to provide for the manner of handling and processing ballots requiring duplication for processing; to provide for the maintenance of certain lists of absentee voters; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-284, relating to form of official primary ballot and attestation regarding receiving value in exchange for vote, as follows:

"(a) In each primary separate official ballots shall be prepared for the political party holding the primary. At the top of each ballot shall be printed in prominent type the

words 'OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT OF _____ PARTY FOR,' followed by the name and designation of the precinct for which it is prepared and the name and date of the primary."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-284.1, relating to form of ballot in nonpartisan municipal primaries, as follows:

"21-2-284.1.

In the case of nonpartisan municipal primaries, the form of the official nonpartisan primary ballot shall conform insofar as practicable to the form of the official primary ballot as detailed in Code Section 21-2-284, including the printing of the name and designation of the precinct on the top of the ballot, except that:

(1) The following shall be printed at the top of each ballot in prominent type:

'OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN PRIMARY BALLOT OF

_____

(Name of Municipality)';

(2) There shall be no name or designation of any political organization nor any words, designation, or emblems descriptive of a candidate's political affiliation printed under or after any candidate's name which is printed on the ballot; and

(3) The incumbency of a candidate seeking election for the public office he or she then holds shall be indicated on the ballot."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-285, relating to form of official election ballot, attestation on receipt of benefit in exchange for vote, and when an election is not required, as follows:

"(a) At the top of each ballot for an election shall be printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL BALLOT,' followed by the name and designation of the precinct for which it is prepared and the name and date of the election."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-285.1, relating to form of ballot in nonpartisan elections, run-off election, and declaration of prevailing candidate as duly elected, as follows:

"21-2-285.1.

The names of all candidates for offices which the General Assembly has by general law or local Act provided for election in a nonpartisan election shall be printed on each official primary ballot; and insofar as practicable such offices to be filled in the nonpartisan election shall be separated from the names of candidates for party nomination to other offices by being listed last on each ballot, with the top of that portion of each official primary ballot relating to the nonpartisan election to have printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN ELECTION BALLOT.' In addition, there shall be a ballot that contains just the official nonpartisan

election ballot available for electors who choose not to vote in a party primary. Such ballot shall have printed at the top the name and designation of the precinct. Directions that explain how to cast a vote, how to write in a candidate, and how to obtain a new ballot after the elector spoils his or her ballot shall appear immediately under the caption, as specified by rule or regulation of the State Election Board. Immediately under the directions, the name of each such nonpartisan candidate shall be arranged alphabetically by last name under the title of the office for which they are candidates and be printed thereunder. The incumbency of a candidate seeking election for the public office he or she then holds shall be indicated on the ballot. No party designation or affiliation shall appear beside the name of any candidate for nonpartisan office. An appropriate space shall also be placed on the ballot for the casting of write-in votes for such offices. In the event that no candidate in such nonpartisan election receives a majority of the total votes cast for such office, there shall be a nonpartisan election runoff between the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes; and the names of such candidates shall be placed on the official ballot at the general primary runoff in the same manner as prescribed in this Code section for the nonpartisan election and there shall be a separate official nonpartisan election runoff ballot for those electors who do not choose or are not eligible to vote in the general primary runoff. Such ballot shall have printed at the top the name and designation of the precinct. In the event that only nonpartisan candidates are to be placed on a run-off ballot, the form of the ballot shall be as prescribed by the Secretary of State or election superintendent in essentially the same format as prescribed for the nonpartisan election, including the name and designation of the precinct. The candidate having a majority of the votes cast in the nonpartisan election or the candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast in the nonpartisan election runoff shall be declared duly elected to such office."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-286, relating to printing specifications, numbering, and binding of ballots, as follows:

"(3) Ballots printed by an electronic ballot marker shall be designed as prescribed by the Secretary of State to ensure ease of reading by electors, provided that each ballot shall have the name and designation of the precinct printed at the top."

**SECTION 6.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-287, relating to form of absentee ballot, as follows:

"21-2-287.

The form for the absentee ballot shall be in substantially the same form as the official ballots used in the precincts, except it shall be printed with only the name stub and without a number strip and ~~may~~ shall have the precinct name and designation printed or stamped thereon."

**SECTION 7.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 8, relating to voting by ballot, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-295.

Every ballot used in primaries and elections in this state, including paper ballots, ballots used in optical scanning voting systems, and ballots produced by electronic ballot markers shall have overt, covert, and forensic elements embedded in the ballots of which some of these security elements can be validated at the polling place at the time of voting. Such devices or seals shall not be capable of identifying the elector who cast the ballot but shall be designed to restore voter confidence in the ballot and to prevent fraud."

**SECTION 8.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-369, relating to printing of ballots for optical scanning voting systems and arrangement, as follows:

"(a) The ballots shall be printed ~~in black ink upon clear, white, or colored~~ on material~~,~~ of such size and arrangement as will suit the construction of the ballot scanner~~, and in plain,~~. The ballot text shall be easily read in clear type with good contrast so as to be easily readable by persons with normal vision~~; provided, however, that red material shall not be used except that all ovals appearing on the ballot to indicate where a voter should mark to cast a vote may be printed in red ink~~."

**SECTION 9.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-379.23, relating to requirements for ballot display for electronic ballot markers, role of Secretary of State, and printed paper ballot controls during recount, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(e) Each ballot printed by an electronic ballot marker shall include the name and designation of the precinct at the top."

**SECTION 10.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-384, relating to preparation and delivery of supplies, mailing of ballots, oath of absentee electors and persons assisting absentee electors, master list of ballots sent, challenges, and electronic transmission of ballots, as follows:

"(d) Each board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall maintain for public inspection ~~a~~ an up-to-date master list, arranged by precincts, setting forth the name and residence of every elector to whom an official absentee ballot has been sent or issued, the date sent, whether such ballot has been returned, whether such ballot has been accepted, and the current status of such ballot. Absentee electors whose names appear on the master list may be challenged by any elector prior to 5:00 P.M. on the day before the primary or election."

**SECTION 11.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-386, relating to safekeeping, certification, and validation of absentee ballots, rejection of ballot, delivery of ballots to manager, duties of managers, precinct returns, and notification of challenged elector, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(g) The ballots shall be subject to security review at all times by authorized security auditors trained and equipped to detect ballot fraud. Upon the conclusion of the counting, the absentee ballots shall be sorted and stored by precinct in security sealed containers. Best practices of chain of custody for such containers shall be maintained and subject to authorized security auditors inspection and review until such ballots can be legally disposed of."

**SECTION 12.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-390, relating to delivery of election materials to clerk of superior court or city clerk after primary or election and accounting for ballots by registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerks, as follows:

"21-2-390.

All official absentee ballots and envelopes on which the forms of affidavits and jurats appear shall be delivered to the clerk of the superior court or the city clerk upon the conclusion of the primary or election in security sealed containers maintaining a chain of custody for such documents and shall be safely kept by him or her for the period required by law and then shall be destroyed. The applications for such ballots shall be retained by the board of registrars or the municipal absentee ballot clerk for at least 24 months and then may be destroyed. On the day following the primary or election, the board of registrars or the municipal absentee ballot clerk shall transmit all canceled, spoiled, and rejected absentee ballots and copies of requests for cancellation of absentee ballots in security sealed containers maintaining a chain of custody for such documents to the clerk of the superior court or the city clerk to be held with other election materials as provided in Code Section 21-2-500. The registrars or the municipal absentee ballot clerk shall also transmit an accounting of all absentee ballots, including the number furnished by the registrars or the municipal absentee ballot clerk, the number issued to electors, the number spoiled, and the number rejected."

**SECTION 13.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-480, relating to caption for ballots, party designations, and form and arrangement, as follows:

"(a) At the top of each ballot for an election in a precinct using optical scanning voting equipment shall be printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL BALLOT,' followed by the name and designation of the precinct for which it is prepared and the name and date of the election."

**SECTION 14.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-482, relating to absentee

ballots for precincts using optical scanning voting equipment, as follows:

"21-2-482.

Ballots in a precinct using optical scanning voting equipment for voting by absentee electors shall be prepared sufficiently in advance by the superintendent and shall be delivered to the board of registrars as provided in Code Section 21-2-384. Such ballots shall be marked 'Official Absentee Ballot' and shall be in substantially the form for ballots required by Article 8 of this chapter, except that in counties or municipalities using voting machines, direct recording electronic (DRE) units, or ballot scanners, the ballots may be in substantially the form for the ballot labels required by Article 9 of this chapter or in such form as will allow the ballot to be machine tabulated. Every such ballot shall have printed on the face thereof the following:

'I understand that the offer or acceptance of money or any other object of value to vote for any particular candidate, list of candidates, issue, or list of issues included in this election constitutes an act of voter fraud and is a felony under Georgia law.'

The form for either ballot shall be determined and prescribed by the Secretary of State and shall have printed at the top the name and designation of the precinct."

**SECTION 15.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-483, relating to counting of ballots, public accessibility to tabulating center and precincts, execution of ballot recap forms, and preparation of duplicate ballots, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(g.1) When counting ballots and it becomes necessary for processing purposes to prepare a duplicate of the ballot, the original ballot shall be given a unique serial number which shall also be entered on the duplicate ballot and, other than when such duplicate ballot is being processed, such ballots shall be kept together and retained as with other official ballots."

**SECTION 16.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 37, nays 15.

SB 62, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Burns of the 23rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 202. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot; to require certain comparisons to remove improper names from mail distribution lists; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 202 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 202, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 202. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot; to require certain comparisons to remove improper names from mail distribution lists; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 202:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot; to require certain comparisons to remove improper names from mail distribution lists; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons entitled to make application, as follows:

"(3)(A) All persons or entities, other than the Secretary of State, election superintendents, boards of registrars, and absentee ballot clerks, that send unsolicited applications for absentee ballots to electors in a primary, election, or runoff shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, received, or voted an absentee ballot in the primary, election, or runoff. Any such person or entity shall compare the mail distribution list being used by the person or entity for such mailing with the most current registered electors list maintained by the Secretary of State and remove all persons from the list who are not registered electors. Any such entity shall also compare the mail distribution list with the most recent information available on which electors have requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot in the primary, election, or runoff and shall remove the names of such electors from the mail distribution list. A person or entity shall not be liable for any violation of this subparagraph if such person or entity

relied upon data made available by the Secretary of State within five business days prior to when such applications are mailed.

(B) A person or entity in violation of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall be subject to sanctions by the State Election Board which, in addition to all other possible sanctions, may include requiring such person or entity to pay restitution to each affected county or municipality in an amount up to $100.00 per duplicate absentee ballot application processed by the county or municipality resulting from such person's or entity's violation of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph or the actual cost incurred in each affected county or municipality for the processing of such duplicate absentee ballot applications. ~~Reserved.~~"

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 32, nays 20.

SB 202, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Merritt of the 9th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 253. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Burns of the 23rd, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for notice when polling places are relocated; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 253 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 253, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 253. By Senators Merritt of the 9th, Burns of the 23rd, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for notice when polling places are relocated; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Ethics offered the following substitute to SB 253:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide for notice when polling places are relocated; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-265,

relating to duty of superintendent to select polling places, change, petition objecting to proposed change, space for political parties holding primaries, facilities for disabled voters, selection of polling place outside precinct to better serve voters, and restriction on changing polling place on or near date of election, as follows:

"(a) The superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall select and fix the polling place within each precinct and may, either on his, her, or its own motion or on petition of ten electors of a precinct, change the polling place within any precinct. Except in case of an emergency or unavoidable event occurring within ten days of a primary or election, which emergency or event renders any polling place unavailable for use at such primary or election, the superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall not change any polling place until notice of the proposed change shall have been published for once a week for two consecutive weeks in the legal organ for the county or municipality in which the polling place is located. Additionally, ~~on the first election~~ during the seven days before and on the day of the first election following such change, a notice of such change shall be posted on the previous polling place and at three other places in the immediate vicinity thereof. Each notice posted shall state the location to which the polling place has been moved and shall direct electors to the new location. At least one notice at the previous polling place shall be a minimum of four feet by four feet in size. The occupant or owner of the previous polling place, or his or her agent, shall be notified in writing of such change at the time notice is published in the legal organ."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |

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| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

SB 253, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Jackson of the 2nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 97. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th, Rahman of the 5th and Jones II of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-66 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to determination of in-state resident status of students for tuition or fees, so as to codify the university system policy of out-of-state tuition differential waivers; to require that a certain percentage of such waivers be allowed for certain institutions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 97 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 97, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 97. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th, Jones of the 10th, Rahman of the 5th and Jones II of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-66 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to determination of in-state resident status of students for tuition or fees, so as to codify the university system policy of out-of-state tuition differential waivers; to require that a certain percentage of such waivers be allowed for certain institutions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Higher Education offered the following substitute to SB 97:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 20-3-66 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to determination of in-state resident status of students for tuition or fees, so as to codify the university system policy of out-of-state tuition differential waivers; to require that a certain percentage of such waivers be allowed for certain institutions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 20-3-66 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to determination of in-state resident status of students for tuition or fees, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(e)(1) Pursuant to rules and regulations of the board and except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each institution of the university system may award out-of-state tuition differential waivers and assess in-state tuition to persons who are unable to be classified as in-state for tuition purposes.

(2) The following institutions of the university system shall be permitted to award such out-of-state tuition differential waivers to up to 4 percent of the equivalent full-time students enrolled at the institution in the fall term immediately preceding the term for which the out-of-state tuition is waived:

(A) Albany State University;

(B) Fort Valley State University; and

(C) Savannah State University."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

Senator Sims of the 12th asked unanimous consent that she be excused from voting on SB 97 pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Sims was excused.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | E Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 1.

SB 97, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 252. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding salaries and fees for public officers, so as to revise the compensation of certain public officials; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 252 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 252, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 252. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Sims of the 12th, Butler of the 55th, Cowsert of the 46th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding salaries and fees for public officers, so as to revise the compensation of certain public officials; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to SB 252:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 28-1-8 and Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to salary and allowances of members and officers of the General Assembly and general provisions regarding salaries and fees for public officers, respectively, so as to revise the compensation of certain public officials; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 28-1-8, relating to salary and allowances of members and officers of the General Assembly, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a)(1) Each member of the General Assembly shall receive an annual salary, as provided for in Code Section 45-7-4, to be paid in equal monthly installments. Upon complying with the requirements of ~~paragraph (22) of subsection (a)~~ subsection (d) of Code Section 45-7-4, each member shall also be reimbursed for those actual expenses incurred in the performance of duties for which reimbursement is provided in said subsection. ~~paragraph (22) of subsection (a) of Code Section 45-7-4. The Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives, and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall receive an additional amount per annum as provided for in Code Section 45-7-4.~~

(2) The majority leader, the minority leader, the administration floor leader, and the assistant administration floor leaders of the House of Representatives and the majority leader, the minority leader, the administration floor leader, and the assistant administration floor leaders of the Senate shall each receive such additional amount per annum as shall be provided by resolution of the respective houses; but such amount for each shall not be greater than the additional amount provided by law for the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives. All of such additional amounts shall also be paid in equal monthly installments."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding salaries and fees for public officers, is amended by revising Code Section 45-7-4, relating to annual salaries of certain state officials and cost-of-living adjustments, as follows:

"45-7-4.

(a) The annual salary of each of the state officials listed below shall be as follows:

(1) Governor ..... $ 175,000.00

An allowance in an amount specified in the appropriations Act shall also be provided for the operation of the Governor's mansion.

(2) Lieutenant Governor ..... ~~54,920.00~~ 135,000.00

~~Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the annual salary for the Lieutenant Governor for the 2021 fiscal year shall be reduced by an amount equal to 14 percent of the amount received for such office during the 2020 fiscal year.~~

(3) Adjutant general

The adjutant general shall continue to receive the pay and allowances under the same procedure as provided by law.

(4) Commissioner of Agriculture ..... ~~100,429.00~~ 144,653.00

(5) Attorney General ..... ~~114,633.00~~ 165,611.00

(6) Reserved.

(7) Commissioner of Insurance ..... ~~100,396.00~~ 143,269.00

(8) Reserved.

(9) Commissioner of Labor ..... ~~100,418.00~~ 146,115.00

The above amount of salary for the Commissioner of Labor shall include any compensation received from the United States government and the amount of state funds paid shall be reduced by the amount of compensation received from the United States government.

(10) Reserved.

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| (11) Each member of the Public Service Commission | ~~96,655.00~~ 138,974.00 |
| (12) Reserved. | |
| (13) State School Superintendent | ~~102,708.00~~ 146,691.00 |
| (14) Secretary of State | ~~102,708.00~~ 147,128.00 |
| (15) Reserved. | |
| (16) Reserved. | |
| (17) Reserved. | |
| (18) Each Justice of the Supreme Court | 175,600.00 |
| (19) Each Judge of the Court of Appeals | 174,500.00 |
| (19.1) Judge of the Georgia State-wide Business Court | 174,500.00 |
| (20) Each superior court judge | 126,265.00 |
| (21) Each district attorney | 120,072.00 |
| (22) Each member of the General Assembly | ~~16,200.00~~ 29,908.00 |

~~(A) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the annual salary for each member of the General Assembly for the 2021 fiscal year shall be reduced by an amount equal to 10 percent of the amount received for such office during the 2020 fiscal year.~~

~~(B) Each member of the General Assembly shall also receive the allowances provided by law. The amount of the daily expense allowance which each member is entitled to receive under the provisions of Code Section 28-1-8 shall be as provided in that Code section. The mileage allowance for the use of a personal car on official business shall be the same as that received by other state officials and employees.~~

~~(C) In addition to any other compensation and allowances authorized for members of the General Assembly, each member may be reimbursed for per diem differential and for actual expenses incurred in the performance of duties as a member of the General Assembly in an amount not to exceed $7,000.00 per year. Expenses reimbursable up to~~

~~such amount shall be limited to one or more of the following purposes: lodging, meals, per diem differential, postage, personal services, printing and publications, rents, supplies (including software), telecommunications, transportation, utilities, purchasing or leasing of equipment, and other reasonable expenditures directly related to the performance of a member's duties. If equipment purchased by a member has a depreciated value of $100.00 or less when such member leaves office, the equipment does not need to be returned to the state. No reimbursement shall be made for any postage which is used for a political newsletter. No reimbursement shall be paid for lodging or meals for any day for which a member receives the daily expense allowance as provided in this paragraph. Eligible expenses shall be reimbursed following the submission of vouchers to the legislative fiscal office in compliance with the requirements of this subparagraph and subject to the provisions of subparagraph (E) of this paragraph. Such vouchers shall be submitted in such form and manner as prescribed by the Legislative Services Committee pursuant to subparagraph (E) of this paragraph, provided that each such voucher shall be accompanied by a supporting document or documents, or legible copies thereof, showing payment for each expense claimed or an explanation of the absence of such documentation; in addition, each such voucher shall include a certification by the member that the information contained in such voucher and supporting document or documents, or legible copies thereof, is true and correct and that such expenses were incurred by the member. The provisions of Code Section 16-10-20 shall be applicable to any person submitting such certified vouchers and supporting documents or copies the same as if the General Assembly were a department or agency of state government. No such voucher or supporting document shall be required for per diem differential.~~

~~(D) The amount of per diem differential which may be claimed for each day under subparagraph (C) of this paragraph shall be the difference between the daily expense allowance authorized for members of the General Assembly and $119.00; provided, however, that the General Appropriations Act for any fiscal year may increase such amount of $119.00 per day to an amount not in excess of the federal per diem rate then in effect for the state capital as specified by the General Services Administration. Per diem differential shall be paid by the legislative fiscal office to the member upon the member's notification to the legislative fiscal office of the days for which the daily expense allowance was received for which the member wishes to claim the per diem differential, and the legislative fiscal office shall keep a record of~~

~~the days for which per diem differential is so claimed and paid.~~

~~(E) For the purposes of this paragraph, a year shall begin on the convening date of the General Assembly in regular session each year and end on the day prior to the convening of the General Assembly in the next calendar year. Any voucher or claim for any reimbursement for any year as defined in this paragraph shall be submitted no later than the fifteenth of April immediately following the end of such year. No reimbursement shall be made on any voucher or claim submitted after that date. Any amounts remaining in such expense account at the end of the first year of the two-year biennium may be claimed for expenses incurred during the second year of the two-year biennium. Any amounts remaining in any expense account which are not so claimed by April 15 of the year following the second year of the biennium and any amounts claimed which are returned as hereafter provided for in this paragraph shall lapse and shall be remitted by the legislative fiscal office to the general fund of the state treasury. Any former member of the General Assembly may be reimbursed for expenses incurred while a member of the General Assembly upon compliance with the provisions of this paragraph. The Legislative Services Committee is empowered to provide such procedures as it deems advisable to administer the provisions of this paragraph, including, but not limited to, definitions of the above list of items for which reimbursement may be made; provided, however, that the term 'other reasonable expenditures directly related to the performance of a member's duties' shall be as defined by policies adopted by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and by the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee as to reimbursement of such expenditures incurred by members of the House and Senate, respectively; and provided, further, that the amount of expenses which may be reimbursed within the limits of subparagraph (C) of this paragraph for travel outside the state may be as provided by policies adopted by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and by the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee as to such expenditures of members of the House and Senate, respectively. The Legislative Services Committee is further empowered to prescribe the form of the voucher or claim which must be submitted to the legislative fiscal office. In the event of any disagreement as to whether any reimbursement shall be made or any allowance shall be paid, the Legislative Services Committee shall make the final determination; except that in the event of any disagreement as to whether any reimbursement under subparagraph (C) of this paragraph shall be made for other reasonable expenses directly related to the performance of a member's duties or for travel outside the state, the Speaker of the House~~

~~of Representatives shall make the final determination as to such expenses incurred by a member of the House, and the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee shall make the final determination as to such expenses incurred by a member of the Senate. In the event any reimbursement is made or any allowance is paid and it is later determined that such reimbursement or payment was made in error, the person to whom such reimbursement or payment was made shall remit to the legislative fiscal office the amount of money involved. In the event any such person refuses to make such remittance, the legislative fiscal office is authorized to withhold the payment of any \pard softlineother moneys to which such person is entitled until the amount of such reimbursement or payment which was made in error shall be realized.~~

(23) Speaker of the House of Representatives ..... ~~17,800.00~~ 135,000.00

The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall also receive the ~~salary and~~ allowances authorized as a member of the General Assembly. ~~Upon the taking of office by the members of the General Assembly on the convening day of the regular session of the General Assembly in 1983, the annual salary of the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall become $22,800.00. After such date, the Speaker shall also receive as additional salary a sum equal to the amount of salary over $30,000.00 per annum which is received by the Lieutenant Governor as of that date or thereafter; and the salary of the Speaker shall be adjusted at the beginning of each term so as to include such additional sum.~~

(24) President Pro Tempore of the Senate ..... ~~4,800.00~~ 35,908.00

The President Pro Tempore of the Senate shall also receive the ~~salary and~~ allowances authorized as a member of the General Assembly.

(25) Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives ..... ~~4,800.00~~ 35,908.00

The Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives shall also receive the ~~salary and~~ allowances authorized as a member of the General Assembly.

(b) As an adjustment except as qualified below as to members and member-officers of the General Assembly, the annual salary of each state official whose salary is established by Code Section 45-7-3, this Code section, and Code Sections 45-7-20 and 45-7-21, including members of the General Assembly, the Speaker of the House of

Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Speaker Pro Tempore of the House of Representatives, may be increased by the General Assembly in the General Appropriations Act by a percentage not to exceed the average percentage of the increase in salary as may from time to time be granted to employees of the executive, judicial, and legislative branches of government. However, any increase for such officials shall not include within-grade step increases for which employees subject to compensation plans authorized and approved in accordance with Code Section 45-20-4 are eligible. Any increase granted pursuant to this subsection shall become effective at the same time that funds are made available for the increase for such employees, except increases for members and member-officers of the General Assembly. That portion of the increase determined by the Legislative Services Committee to reflect a cost-of-living increase based upon objective economic criteria shall become effective for members and member-officers at the same time that funds are made available for the increase for such employees. The balance of the increase for members and member-officers of the General Assembly shall become effective on the convening of the next General Assembly in January of the next odd-numbered year. The Office of Planning and Budget shall calculate the average percentage increase.

(c) The annual salary being received on June 30, 1980, shall be increased by 8 percent for each state official listed in subsection (a) of this Code section who:

(1) Is not a member of the General Assembly; and

(2) Is not a contributing member of a state retirement system and, therefore, does not benefit by or participate in any program whereunder a portion of the employee contributions to the state retirement system are made on behalf of the employee by the employer.

(d)(1) Each member of the General Assembly shall also receive the allowances provided by law. The amount of the daily expense allowance which each member is entitled to receive under the provisions of Code Section 28-1-8 shall be as provided in that Code section. The mileage allowance for the use of a personal car on official business shall be the same as that received by other state officials and employees.

(2)(A) In addition to any other compensation and allowances authorized for members of the General Assembly, each member may be reimbursed for per diem differential and for actual expenses incurred in the performance of duties as a member of the General Assembly in an amount not to exceed $7,000.00 per year.

(B)(i) Expenses reimbursable up to such amount shall be limited to one or more of the following purposes: lodging, meals, per diem differential, postage, personal services, printing and publications, rents, supplies (including software), telecommunications, transportation, utilities, purchasing or leasing of equipment, and other reasonable expenditures directly related to the performance of a member's duties.

(ii) If equipment purchased by a member has a depreciated value of $100.00 or less when such member leaves office, the equipment does not need to be returned to the state.

(iii) No reimbursement shall be made for any postage which is used for a political

newsletter. No reimbursement shall be paid for lodging or meals for any day for which a member receives the daily expense allowance as provided in this paragraph.

(C)(i) Eligible expenses shall be reimbursed following the submission of vouchers to the legislative fiscal office in compliance with the requirements of this subparagraph and subject to the provisions of paragraph (4) of this subsection.

(ii) Such vouchers shall be submitted in such form and manner as prescribed by the Legislative Services Committee pursuant to paragraph (4) of this subsection, provided that each such voucher shall be accompanied by a supporting document or documents, or legible copies thereof, showing payment for each expense claimed or an explanation of the absence of such documentation; in addition, each such voucher shall include a certification by the member that the information contained in such voucher and supporting document or documents, or legible copies thereof, is true and correct and that such expenses were incurred by the member.

(iii) The provisions of Code Section 16-10-20 shall be applicable to any person submitting such certified vouchers and supporting documents or copies the same as if the General Assembly were a department or agency of state government.

(iv) No such voucher or supporting document shall be required for per diem differential.

(3)(A) The amount of per diem differential which may be claimed for each day pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be the difference between the daily expense allowance authorized for members of the General Assembly and $119.00; provided, however, that the General Appropriations Act for any fiscal year may increase such amount of $119.00 per day to an amount not in excess of the federal per diem rate then in effect for the state capital as specified by the General Services Administration.

(B) Per diem differential shall be paid by the legislative fiscal office to the member upon the member's notification to the legislative fiscal office of the days for which the daily expense allowance was received for which the member wishes to claim the per diem differential, and the legislative fiscal office shall keep a record of the days for which per diem differential is so claimed and paid.

(4)(A) For the purposes of this subsection, a year shall begin on the convening date of the General Assembly in regular session each year and end on the day prior to the convening of the General Assembly in the next calendar year.

(B) Any voucher or claim for any reimbursement for any year as defined in this paragraph shall be submitted no later than the fifteenth of April immediately following the end of such year. No reimbursement shall be made on any voucher or claim submitted after that date. Any amounts remaining in such expense account at the end of the first year of the two-year biennium may be claimed for expenses incurred during the second year of the two-year biennium. Any amounts remaining in any expense account which are not so claimed by April 15 of the year following the second year of the biennium and any amounts claimed which are returned as

hereafter provided for in this paragraph shall lapse and shall be remitted by the legislative fiscal office to the general fund of the state treasury.

(C) Any former member of the General Assembly may be reimbursed for expenses incurred while a member of the General Assembly upon compliance with the provisions of this paragraph.

(5)(A) The Legislative Services Committee is empowered to provide such procedures as it deems advisable to administer the provisions of this subsection, including, but not limited to, definitions of the above list of items for which reimbursement may be made; provided, however, that the term 'other reasonable expenditures directly related to the performance of a member's duties' shall be as defined by policies adopted by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and by the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee as to reimbursement of such expenditures incurred by members of the House and Senate, respectively; and provided, further, that the amount of expenses which may be reimbursed within the limits of paragraph (2) of this subsection for travel outside the state may be as provided by policies adopted by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and by the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee as to such expenditures of members of the House and Senate, respectively.

(B) The Legislative Services Committee is further empowered to prescribe the form of the voucher or claim which must be submitted to the legislative fiscal office. In the event of any disagreement as to whether any reimbursement shall be made or any allowance shall be paid, the Legislative Services Committee shall make the final determination; except that in the event of any disagreement as to whether any reimbursement pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be made for other reasonable expenses directly related to the performance of a member's duties or for travel outside the state, the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall make the final determination as to such expenses incurred by a member of the House, and the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee shall make the final determination as to such expenses incurred by a member of the Senate.

(C) In the event any reimbursement is made or any allowance is paid and it is later determined that such reimbursement or payment was made in error, the person to whom such reimbursement or payment was made shall remit to the legislative fiscal office the amount of money involved. In the event any such person refuses to make such remittance, the legislative fiscal office is authorized to withhold the payment of any other moneys to which such person is entitled until the amount of such reimbursement or payment which was made in error shall be realized."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective on January 9, 2023.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | N Tillery |
| Y Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | N Watson |
| N Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 20, nays 33.

SB 252, having failed to receive the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 10, 2021

I inadvertently voted yes on SB 252. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ McNeill of the 3rd

Senator Jackson of the 2nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 90. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Miller of the 49th, Jones of the 10th, Mullis of the 53rd and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to create the Georgia Commission on African American History and Culture; to provide for duties and objectives; to provide for membership and terms of office; to provide for reporting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 90 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 90, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 90. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Miller of the 49th, Jones of the 10th, Mullis of the 53rd and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to create the Georgia Commission on African American History and Culture; to provide for duties and objectives; to provide for membership and terms of office; to provide for reporting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SB 90, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 231. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Ballinger of the 23rd, Nguyen of the 89th, Wiedower of the 119th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 and Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking and granting of relief by superior courts, respectively, so as to expand the applicability of protective orders involving victims of stalking; to revise the definition of family violence to include certain acts between persons through whom a past or present pregnancy has developed or persons in a past or present dating relationship for the granting of protective orders and other relief; to provide for definitions; to require the court to make certain findings prior to granting protective orders alleging dating relationships; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 255. By Representatives Holcomb of the 81st, Efstration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st, Oliver of the 82nd, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sexual assault protocol, so as to require certain certifications to be filed; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to investigating sexual assault; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council; to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to physicians, physician

assistants, and others; to provide for limited liability; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 258. By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Momtahan of the 17th, Camp of the 131st, Burchett of the 176th, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, so as to provide a response to State v. Williams, 2020 Ga. LEXIS 85 (February 10, 2020); to provide that, when a victim is under the age of 16, consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution for sodomy, aggravated sodomy, child molestation, aggravated child molestation, sexual battery, and aggravated sexual battery; to make conforming changes; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 290. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Rich of the 97th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to prohibit hospitals and nursing homes from instituting any policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients' abilities to be visited by designated family members or friends as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or nursing home; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 479. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Hogan of the 179th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Frazier of the 126th, DeLoach of the 167th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to revise certain arrest powers; to provide for arrests by a law enforcement officer outside of the jurisdiction of his or her employing law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; to revise the grounds for arrest by a private person; to repeal in its entirety Article 4 of Chapter 4, relating to arrest by private persons; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor carrier compliance division; to amend Chapter 38 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to

operators of private detective businesses and private security businesses; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 51 of the O.C.G.A., relating to detention or arrest on suspicion of shoplifting or film piracy; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 517. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Blackmon of the 146th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student scholarship organizations, so as to provide for the inclusion of earned interest in the calculation of minimum revenue obligations for scholarships and tuition grants; to require that student scholarship organization audits are conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; to amend Code Section 48-7-29.16, relating to qualified education tax credits, so as to increase the limit available to individuals, heads of household, married couples filing joint returns, and individuals who are members of certain limited liability companies, shareholders of Subchapter "S" corporations, or partners in a partnership; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 579. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Efstration of the 104th, Wilson of the 80th, Drenner of the 85th, Lopez of the 86th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 75 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to war on terrorism local assistance, so as to change a short title to the "Public Safety and Judicial Facilities Act"; to repeal the requirement for referendums prior to issuance of bonded indebtedness for new projects; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 617. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Rhodes of the 120th, Fleming of the 121st, Smyre of the 135th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education, so as to provide that student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs at postsecondary educational institutions may receive compensation for the use of the student athlete's name, image, or likeness; to provide for application to intercollegiate athletic associations; to allow for professional representation of such student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics; to provide for findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for

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

HB 653. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Stephens of the 164th, Greene of the 151st, Knight of the 130th and Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 26-4-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to the "Georgia Pharmacy Practice Act," so as to revise the definition of "pharmacy care"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolutions of the House:

HR 25. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Mark Jason Jones; and for other purposes.

HR 26. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Kenneth Eric Gardiner; and for other purposes.

HR 29. By Representatives Hugley of the 136th and Smyre of the 135th:

A RESOLUTION compensating Mr. Jakeith Bendray Robinson, Sr.; and for other purposes.

HR 315. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

A RESOLUTION calling a joint session of the House of Representatives and the Senate for the purpose of hearing a message from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; inviting each other Justice of the Supreme Court and each Judge of the Court of Appeals to be present at the joint session; and for other purposes.

Senator Jones of the 10th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 8, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SB 10. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for an offense of promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; to provide for an offense of knowingly attending an illegal drag race or laying drags exhibition; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for classification and registration of high-performance vehicles; to provide for the issuance of special license plates for high-performance vehicles; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SB 10 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SB 10, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SB 10. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, James of the 35th, Seay of the 34th, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for an offense of promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; to provide for an offense of knowingly attending an illegal drag race or laying drags exhibition; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for classification and registration of high-performance vehicles; to provide for the issuance of special license plates for high-performance vehicles; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to SB 10:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for an offense of promoting illegal drag racing, laying drags, and operating upon highways by unauthorized vehicles; to provide for an offense of knowingly attending and wagering at an illegal drag race or laying drags exhibition; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for

classification and registration of high-performance vehicles; to provide for the issuance of special license plates for high-performance vehicles; to provide for penalties; to provide for offenses which disqualify certain drivers from obtaining a Class C or D driver's license; to provide for the assessment of points for the offense of laying drags; to reclassify the offenses of drag racing and laying drags as high and aggravated misdemeanors; to provide for the civil forfeiture of certain vehicles used in drag racing and laying drags; to provide for underlying offenses for homicide by vehicle offense; to prohibit the operation of off-road vehicles in certain instances; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known as and may be cited as the "Jaye Mia Sanford Law."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-11-43.1.

(a) Any person who knowingly promotes or advertises an exhibition of drag racing, in violation of Code Section 40-6-186; or of laying drags, in violation of Code Section 40-6-251; or of the operation of five or more motor vehicles upon a public highway or street, in violation of Code Section 40-2-8, or without authority shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature.

(b) Any person who is knowingly present and betting or wagering money or any other thing of value at an exhibition of drag racing, in violation of Code Section 40-6-186, or laying drags, in violation of Code Section 40-6-251, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of no less than $250.00."

**SECTION 3.**

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-2-48.

(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'high-performance vehicle' means a motor vehicle which is not a common carrier or commercial motor vehicle and that is:

(1) Manufactured to hold a rating of 650 horsepower or greater; or

(2) Converted to hold a horsepower rating greater than the manufacturer's specifications.

(b) On and after July 1, 2021, any vehicle required to be registered by Code Section 40-2-20 which qualifies as a high-performance vehicle shall be registered with the commissioner prior to operation and use thereof; provided, however, that any vehicle registered prior to July 1, 2021, which qualifies as a high-performance vehicle

based upon paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be registered as such at the next renewal of the vehicle's registration. High-performance vehicle registrations shall be made upon forms prescribed and prepared by the commissioner for such purpose and, in addition to the information set forth in Code Section 40-2-26, shall contain the name and address of the person who converted the vehicle to a high-performance vehicle if such vehicle has been converted. Upon the filing of a properly executed application for registration and payment of a license fee of $35.00, the commissioner shall issue a license plate which shall be displayed upon such vehicle in the same manner as provided for in Code Section 40-2-41.

(c) The commissioner shall design a high-performance vehicle license plate which shall be similar in appearance to license plates issued pursuant to this chapter, except it shall be prominently marked in such a manner as to identify the vehicle as a high-performance vehicle.

(d) License plates issued under this Code section shall not be transferred to any other vehicle unless such vehicle is a high-performance vehicle and except as provided in Code Section 40-2-42.

(e) No person owning or operating a high-performance vehicle shall display upon the motor vehicle any license plate provided for in this Code section unless at the time of such ownership or operation such vehicle qualifies as a high-performance vehicle pursuant to this Code section. Any person who violates this subsection shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(f) Any person who owns or operates a high-performance vehicle who fails to display a license plate issued pursuant to this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(g) The department shall be authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Code section."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-5-24, relating to instruction permits, graduated licensing and related restrictions, and temporary licenses, by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (a) and paragraph (3) of subsection (b) as follows:

"(2) A person who has been issued an instruction permit under this subsection and has never been issued a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section will become eligible for a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section only if such person is at least 17 years of age, has a valid instruction permit which is not under suspension, and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class D driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets in violation of Code Section 40-6-186, laying drags in violation of Code Section 40-6-251, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395, reckless driving in violation of Code Section 40-6-390, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57; provided, however, that a person who is at

least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this paragraph except for age who has completed an approved driver education training course as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 will be eligible for a Class D driver's license."

"(3) A person who has been issued a Class D driver's license under this subsection and has never been issued a Class C driver's license under this chapter will become eligible for a Class C driver's license under this chapter only if such person has a valid Class D driver's license which is not under suspension and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class C driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets in violation of Code Section 40-6-186, laying drags in violation of Code Section 40-6-251, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395, reckless driving in violation of Code Section 40-6-390, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57 and is at least 18 years of age."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-5-54, relating to mandatory suspension of license and notice of suspension, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) The department shall forthwith suspend, as provided in Code Section 40-5-63, the license of any driver upon receiving a record of such driver's conviction of the following offenses, whether charged as a violation of state law or of a local ordinance adopted pursuant to Article 14 of Chapter 6 of this title:

(1) Homicide by vehicle, as defined by Code Section 40-6-393;

(2) Any felony in the commission of which a motor vehicle is used;

(3) Hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270;

(4) Racing on highways and streets in violation of Code Section 40-6-186;

(5) Using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395; or

(6) Operating a motor vehicle with a revoked, canceled, or suspended registration in violation of Code Section 40-6-15."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-5-57, relating to suspension or revocation of license of habitually negligent or dangerous driver and point system, by revising subparagraph (c)(1)(A) as follows:

"(c)(1)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph, the points to be assessed for each offense shall be as provided in the following schedule:

(i) Aggressive driving..... 6 points

(ii) Reckless driving ..... 4 points

(iii) Unlawful passing of a school bus ..... 6 points

(iv) Improper passing on a hill or a curve ..... 4 points

(v) Exceeding the speed limit by more than 14 miles per hour but less than 19 miles per hour ..... 2 points

(vi) Exceeding the speed limit by 19 miles per hour or more but less than 24 miles per hour ..... 3 points

(vii) Exceeding the speed limit by 24 miles per hour or more but less than 34 miles per hour ..... 4 points

(viii) Exceeding the speed limit by 34 miles per hour or more ..... 6 points

(ix) Disobedience of any traffic-control device or traffic officer ..... 3 points

(x) Too fast for conditions ..... 0 points

(xi) Possessing an open container of an alcoholic beverage while driving 2 points

(xii) Failure to adequately secure a load, except fresh farm produce, resulting in loss of such load onto the roadway which results in an accident 2 points

(xiii) Violation of child safety restraint requirements, first offense ..... 1 point

(xiv) Violation of child safety restraint requirements, second or subsequent offense ..... 2 points

(xv) First violation of Code Section 40-6-241 ..... 1 point

(xvi) Second violation of Code Section 40-6-241 ..... 2 points

(xvii) Third or subsequent violation of Code Section 40-6-241 ..... 3 points

(xviii) First violation of laying drags in violation of Code Section 40-6-251 ..... 4 points

(xix) Second violation of laying drags in violation of Code Section 40-6-251 ..... 6 points

(xx) Third violation of laying drags in violation of Code Section 40-6-251 8 points

~~(xviii)~~(xxi) All other moving traffic violations which are not speed limit violations ..... 3 points"

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-186, relating to racing on highways, as follows:

"40-6-186.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Drag race' means the operation of two or more vehicles from a point side by side at accelerated speeds in a competitive attempt to outdistance each other or the operation of one or more vehicles over a common selected course from the same point to the same point for the purpose of comparing the relative speeds or power of acceleration of such vehicle or vehicles within a certain distance or time limit.

(2) 'Racing' means the use of one or more vehicles in an attempt to outgain, outdistance, or prevent another vehicle from passing, to arrive at a given destination ahead of another vehicle or vehicles, or to test the physical stamina or endurance of drivers over long-distance driving routes.

(b) No person shall drive any vehicle on a highway in this state in any race, speed competition or contest, drag race or acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, exhibition of speed or acceleration, or for the purpose of making a speed record, and no person shall in any manner participate in any such race, competition of speed, contest of speed, or test or exhibition of speed.

(c) Any person convicted of violating subsection (b) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall be punished as follows:

(1) For a first conviction, a fine of up to $1,000.00;

(2) For a second conviction, a fine of up to $2,000.00; or

(3) For a third or subsequent conviction, a fine of up to $5,000.00.

(d)(1) Any motor vehicle which qualifies as a high-performance vehicle pursuant to Code Section 40-2-48 operated by a person who has been convicted of a second or subsequent violation of this Code section is declared to be contraband and subject to forfeiture in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 16 of Title 9.

(2) In any case where a vehicle which is the only family vehicle is determined to be subject to forfeiture, the court may, if it determines that the financial hardship to the family as a result of the forfeiture and sale outweighs the benefit to the state from such forfeiture, order the title to the vehicle transferred to such other family member who is a duly licensed operator and who requires the use of such vehicle for employment or family transportation purposes. Such transfer shall be subject to any valid liens and shall be granted only once."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-6-251, relating to driving in circular or zigzag course and "laying drags," as follows:

"40-6-251.

(a) No driver of any motor vehicle shall operate the vehicle upon ~~the public streets,~~ highways, public or private driveways, airport runways, or parking lots in such a manner as to create a danger to persons or property by intentionally and unnecessarily causing the vehicle to move in a zigzag or circular course or to gyrate or spin around, except to avoid a collision or injury or damage.

(b) The offenses described in this Code section shall be sufficiently identified on any

traffic ticket, warrant, accusation, or indictment when referred to as 'laying drags.'

(c) This Code section shall not apply to drivers operating vehicles in or on any raceway, drag strip, or similar place customarily and lawfully used for such purposes.

(d) Any person violating subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall be punished as follows:

(1) For a first conviction, a fine of up to $1,000.00;

(2) For a second conviction, a fine of up to $2,000.00; or

(3) For a third or subsequent conviction, a fine of up to $5,000.00.

(e)(1) Any motor vehicle which qualifies as a high-performance vehicle pursuant to Code Section 40-2-48 operated by a person who has been convicted of a second or subsequent violation of this Code section is declared to be contraband and subject to forfeiture in accordance with the procedures set forth in Chapter 16 of Title 9.

(2) In any case where a vehicle which is the only family vehicle is determined to be subject to forfeiture, the court may, if it determines that the financial hardship to the family as a result of the forfeiture and sale outweighs the benefit to the state from such forfeiture, order the title to the vehicle transferred to such other family member who is a duly licensed operator and who requires the use of such vehicle for employment or family transportation purposes. Such transfer shall be subject to any valid liens and shall be granted only once."

**SECTION 9.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-6-393, relating to homicide by vehicle, by revising subsection (a) and (c) as follows:

"(a) Any person who, without malice aforethought, causes the death of another person through the violation of subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-163, Code Section 40-6-186, Code Section 40-6-251, Code Section 40-6-390 or 40-6-391, or subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-395 commits the offense of homicide by vehicle in the first degree and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than three years nor more than 15 years."

"(c) Any person who causes the death of another person, without an intention to do so, by violating any provision of this title other than subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-163, Code Section 40-6-186, Code Section 40-6-251, subsection (b) of Code Section 40-6-270, Code Section 40-6-390 or 40-6-391, or subsection (a) of Code Section 40-6-395 commits the offense of homicide by vehicle in the second degree when such violation is the cause of said death and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished as provided in Code Section 17-10-3."

**SECTION 10.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-7-4.1.

Except as otherwise provided for in Code Section 40-7-5, any person who operates an off-road vehicle on a highway or upon private property without express authorization from the owner of such property shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

**SECTION 11.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-7-6, relating to enforcement and penalties for off-road vehicle operation, as follows:

"40-7-6.

All peace officers shall enforce the provisions of this chapter. Except as otherwise provided in Code Section 40-7-4.1, any ~~Any~~ person who violates any provision of this chapter shall not thereby be guilty of a criminal act but shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than $25.00."

**SECTION 12.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval and shall apply to all offenses committed on and after July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 13.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend committee substitute to SB 10 (LC 39 2952S) by adding “in violation of any local ordinance” on line 236 following the word “highway.”

Senator Hatchett of the 50th offered the following amendment #2:

Amend the Committee Substitute to SB 10 (LC 39 2952S) by striking Section 10 and re-numbering sections 11, 12, and 13 accordingly.

Senators Harper of the 7th, Robertson of the 29th, Gooch of the 51st, Jones of the 25th and Hatchett of the 50th offered the following amendment #3:

Amend the Committee Substitute to SB 10 (LC 39 2952S) by striking section 3 and renumbering accordingly.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that his amendment #1 be withdrawn. The consent was granted, and the amendment was withdrawn.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, there were no objections, and the Hatchett amendment #2 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #3, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Jones of the 10th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #3, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #3, the yeas were 30, nays 18, and the amendment to the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 2.

SB 10, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 76. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Parsons of the 44th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Allen of the 40th and Dickey of the 140th:

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

HB 109. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Oliver of the 82nd, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Cantrell of the 22nd, Mathis of the 144th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide greater protections for individuals who have suffered from childhood sexual abuse; to amend Code Section 9-3-33.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to actions for childhood sexual abuse, so as to extend the statute of limitations for actions for childhood sexual abuse under certain circumstances; to clarify existing law; to revise and provide for definitions; to provide for retroactive claims for childhood sexual abuse under certain circumstances; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 117. By Representatives Wilensky of the 79th, Gravley of the 67th, Rich of the 97th, Smyre of the 135th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-2A-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Low THC Oil Patient Registry, so as to add ulcerative colitis as a condition for which low THC oil may be used for treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 138. By Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Mallow of the 163rd, Thomas of the 65th, Lim of the 99th and Lopez of the 86th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to landlord and tenant in general, so as to provide that certain landlords shall provide certain notices to existing and prospective tenants with regard to certain crimes occurring on the premises being leased; to provide for sanctions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 160. By Representatives Boddie of the 62nd, Dreyer of the 59th, Schofield of the 60th and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), so as to redefine the term "municipality"; to provide for audits of such tax by the state auditor under certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 194. By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Burchett of the 176th, Efstration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, so as to clarify that a term of probation shall follow the mandatory term of imprisonment for persons convicted of a sexual offense; to provide that for certain felonies that such probation shall be for life; to amend Title 42 of the O.C.G.A., relating to penal institutions, so as to revise the name of the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 236. By Representatives Neal of the 74th, Tankersley of the 160th, Hugley of the 136th, Douglas of the 78th, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to granting of relief by

superior courts, so as to provide for additional monitoring of the victim after the granting of a temporary protective order; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 272. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Hogan of the 179th, Gaines of the 117th, Rich of the 97th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code, so as to change the jurisdiction of the juvenile court to include children who are under 18 years of age; to amend Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, so as to clarify provisions regarding juveniles; to amend Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to provide for a uniform misdemeanor citation for certain juvenile offenses; to provide for implementation; to provide for implementation committee; to provide for the powers, composition, and appointment of such committee; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 291. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Martin of the 49th, Smyre of the 135th, Ehrhart of the 36th and Parrish of the 158th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-411 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities, so as to expand the definition of "approved school"; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 317. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Frye of the 118th, Smith of the 133rd, Rich of the 97th, Dollar of the 45th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, so as to revise the definition of "innkeeper" to include marketplace facilitators; to define the term "marketplace innkeeper"; to expand the state levy of a nightly excise tax to include all rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to change certain provisions relating the Department of Labor and employment security; to authorize the Commissioner of Labor to designate peace officers to carry out and enforce provisions relating to labor and industrial relations; to provide for service of certain documents; to change certain provisions relating to the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor; to change certain provisions relating to eligibility requirements for extended benefits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 631. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Newton of the 123rd, Kelley of the 16th, Lumsden of the 12th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Crime Information Center, so as to provide for the development and operation of a system to voluntarily collect and disseminate information relating to conditions that may impede an individual's ability to communicate with law enforcement or emergency responders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 681. By Representatives Yearta of the 152nd, Cheokas of the 138th, Jasperse of the 11th, Dickey of the 140th, Barton of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum relative to quality basic education, so as to provide for a course of study in financial literacy for students in tenth or eleventh grade;

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

HB 714. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 8 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisional and final remedies and special proceedings, so as to revise and provide for new requirements under the Georgia Civil Practice Act for settlement offers and arrangements for tort claims for personal injury, bodily injury, and death; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to kinds of insurance, limits of risks, and reinsurance, so as to revise the liability of an insurer upon refusal to pay an insured for any loss pursuant to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies; to revise a penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolutions of the House:

HR 183. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Rhodes of the 120th, LaHood of the 175th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Corbett of the 174th:

A RESOLUTION urging the Congress of the United States to pass the Recovering America's Wildlife Act; and for other purposes.

HR 248. By Representative Stephens of the 164th:

A RESOLUTION designating the Savannah Logistics Technology Innovation Corridor as an official technology innovation corridor in Georgia; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand in recess until 11:30 p.m. to receive House messages, and upon receipt of the final House message, then adjourn until 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

The President announced that the motion prevailed at 7:25 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, March 9, 2021
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The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 1:00 p.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 284. By Senator Sims of the 12th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Randolph County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3723), so as to expand the board from three to five members; to provide for the appointment and terms of board members; to provide for the nomination of certain potential board members; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 285. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Henry County Water Authority, approved March 28, 1961 (Ga. L. 1961, p. 2588), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4081), so as to provide for a sixth member of the authority's board; to update quorums and majorities of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 286. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act amending and restating an Act

known as the "Henry County Development Authority Act," approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5046), as amended, so as to provide for the appointment of a sixth member of the authority appointed by the chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of Henry County; to revise provisions regarding quorum and majorities of the authority board; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 287. By Senators Payne of the 54th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Eton, approved March 26, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4689), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2011 (Ga. L. 2011, p. 4095), so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SR 203. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Robertson of the 29th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Outdoor Learning Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 204. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Tippins of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION urging the State Board of Education through the State School Superintendent and the Georgia Department of Education to create multiple diploma pathways for high school students; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SR 205. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Ginn of the 47th, Miller of the 49th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Dr. Austin Flint and dedicating a road in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 76. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Parsons of the 44th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Allen of the 40th and Dickey of the 140th:

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

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 109. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Oliver of the 82nd, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Cantrell of the 22nd, Mathis of the 144th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide greater protections for individuals who have suffered from childhood sexual abuse; to amend Code Section 9-3-33.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to actions for childhood sexual abuse, so as to extend the statute of limitations for actions for childhood sexual abuse under certain circumstances; to clarify existing law; to revise and provide for definitions; to provide for retroactive claims for childhood sexual abuse under certain circumstances; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 114. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Oliver of the 82nd, Bonner of the 72nd, Buckner of the 137th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to revise the tax credit for adoption of foster children; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 117. By Representatives Wilensky of the 79th, Gravley of the 67th, Rich of the 97th, Smyre of the 135th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 31-2A-18 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Low THC Oil Patient Registry, so as to add ulcerative colitis as a condition for which low THC oil may be used for treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 138. By Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Mallow of the 163rd, Thomas of the 65th, Lim of the 99th and Lopez of the 86th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to landlord and tenant in general, so as to provide that certain landlords shall provide certain notices to existing and prospective tenants with regard to certain crimes occurring on the premises being leased; to provide for sanctions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

HB 160. By Representatives Boddie of the 62nd, Dreyer of the 59th, Schofield of the 60th and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), so as to redefine the term "municipality"; to provide for audits of such tax by the state auditor under certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 173. By Representatives Benton of the 31st, Werkheiser of the 157th, Stephens of the 164th, McDonald of the 26th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 47-20-87 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligible large retirement systems authorized to invest in certain alternative investments, so as to increase the percentage of an eligible large retirement system's assets that may be invested in alternative investments; to provide limitations for the Teachers' Retirement System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

HB 194. By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Burchett of the 176th, Efstration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, so as to clarify that a term of probation shall follow the mandatory term of imprisonment for persons convicted of a sexual offense; to provide that for certain felonies that such probation shall be for life; to amend Title 42 of the O.C.G.A., relating to penal institutions, so as to revise the name of the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 231. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Ballinger of the 23rd, Nguyen of the 89th, Wiedower of the 119th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 and Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking and granting of relief by superior courts, respectively, so as to expand the applicability of protective orders involving victims of stalking; to revise the definition of family violence to include certain acts between persons through whom a past or present pregnancy has developed or persons in a past or present dating relationship for the granting of protective orders and other relief; to provide for definitions; to require the court to make certain findings prior to granting protective orders alleging dating relationships; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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HB 236. By Representatives Neal of the 74th, Tankersley of the 160th, Hugley of the 136th, Douglas of the 78th, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to granting of relief by superior courts, so as to provide for additional monitoring of the victim after the granting of a temporary protective order; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 247. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Lumsden of the 12th, Collins of the 68th, Petrea of the 166th, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to uniform rules of the road, so as to provide for penalties for the commission of an offense of distracted driving; to remove a process for being found not guilty of a violation in certain instances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 255. By Representatives Holcomb of the 81st, Efstration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st, Oliver of the 82nd, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sexual assault protocol, so as to require certain certifications to be filed; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to investigating sexual assault; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council; to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others; to provide for limited liability; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 258. By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Momtahan of the 17th, Camp of the 131st, Burchett of the 176th, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, so as to provide a response to State v. Williams, 2020 Ga. LEXIS 85 (February 10, 2020); to provide that, when a victim is under the age of 16, consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution for sodomy, aggravated sodomy, child molestation, aggravated child molestation, sexual battery, and aggravated sexual battery; to make conforming changes; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 272. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Hogan of the 179th, Gaines of the 117th, Rich of the 97th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code, so as to change the jurisdiction of the juvenile court to include children who are under 18 years of age; to amend Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, so as to clarify provisions regarding juveniles; to amend Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to law enforcement officers and agencies, so as to provide for a uniform misdemeanor citation for certain juvenile offenses; to provide for implementation; to provide for implementation committee; to provide for the powers, composition, and appointment of such committee; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 290. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Rich of the 97th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to prohibit hospitals and nursing homes from instituting any policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients' abilities to be visited by designated family members or friends as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or nursing home; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 291. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Martin of the 49th, Smyre of the 135th, Ehrhart of the 36th and Parrish of the 158th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-411 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities, so as to expand the definition of "approved school"; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

HB 317. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Frye of the 118th, Smith of the 133rd, Rich of the 97th, Dollar of the 45th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, so as to revise the definition of "innkeeper" to include marketplace facilitators; to define the term "marketplace innkeeper"; to expand the state levy of a nightly excise tax to include all rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to prevent organized retail crime; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the O.C.G.A., relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale and purchase of stored value cards; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale of goods by third-party sellers on online marketplaces; to provide for penalties for failure to comply; to provide for confidentiality; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to theft, so as to define certain terms relating to retail property fencing, shoplifting, and refund fraud; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 343. By Representatives Rhodes of the 120th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Corbett of the 174th, LaHood of the 175th and Burns of the 159th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 27-3-1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirement of permission to hunt on lands of another, written permission, enforcement, and immunity of landowner from civil liability, so as to provide for a rebuttable presumption of violation of said Code section by individuals in possession of hunting paraphernalia while on others' lands; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

HB 346. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the

Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services personnel, so as to authorize the administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate to patients with congenital adrenal hyperplasia under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements; to provide for immunity; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 383. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Efstration of the 104th, Cooper of the 43rd, Dollar of the 45th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure relative to state purchasing, so as to prohibit the state from entering into certain contracts with an individual or company unless such contracts contain a certification that such individual or company does not presently conduct a boycott of Israel and will not conduct such a boycott for the duration of such contract; to exclude certain contracts from these requirements; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 411. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, England of the 116th, Burns of the 159th, Gravley of the 67th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding prosecuting attorneys, so as to create the Prosecuting Attorneys Oversight Commission; to provide for definitions; to provide for the powers, composition, appointment, and confirmation of such commission; to provide for commission members' terms, vacancies, and removals; to provide for procedures and confidentiality; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 428. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Williamson of the 115th, Smith of the 133rd, Newton of the 123rd and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, so as to change certain

definitions regarding such taxes; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 91 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to contracting and bidding requirements for public works; so as to exempt certain contracts competitively procured by the state or cooperative purchasing organizations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 454. By Representatives Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Cooper of the 43rd, Gaines of the 117th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-20C-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to online provider directories, so as to provide for certain coverage requirements concerning providers that become out-of-network during a plan year; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 464. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Gambill of the 15th, Williams of the 145th, Leverett of the 33rd and Smith of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 29 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guardian and ward, so as to provide for when a petition for the appointment of a temporary guardian of a minor filed in the probate court may be transferred from the probate court to the juvenile court; to revise the assessment of certain costs, compensation, fees, and expenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to prohibit local governments from imposing civil penalties upon an alarm systems contractor for a false alarm that occurs through no fault of the alarm systems contractor; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 469. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Newton of the 123rd and Buckner of the 137th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, and computation and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to revise procedures, conditions, and limitations relating to tax credits for the rehabilitation of historic structures; to authorize promulgation of regulations; to provide for preapproval of additional tax credits for current recipients of tax credits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal Section 2 of Ga. L. 2015, p. 1340, approved May 12, 2015; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 479. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Hogan of the 179th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Frazier of the 126th, DeLoach of the 167th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to revise certain arrest powers; to provide for arrests by a law enforcement officer outside of the jurisdiction of his or her employing law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; to revise the grounds for arrest by a private person; to repeal in its entirety Article 4 of Chapter 4, relating to arrest by private persons; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor carrier compliance division; to amend Chapter 38 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to operators of private detective businesses and private security businesses; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 51 of the O.C.G.A., relating to detention or arrest on suspicion of shoplifting or film piracy; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 495. By Representatives Crowe of the 110th, Wiedower of the 119th, Williams of the

145th and Hitchens of the 161st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 and Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board, respectively, so as to revise the duties of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board relative to the board's determination of a sexual offender's risk assessment classification; to provide for definitions; to provide for certain investigators; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 498. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, LaHood of the 175th, England of the 116th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to expand an exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities; to add dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 517. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Blackmon of the 146th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student scholarship organizations, so as to provide for the inclusion of earned interest in the calculation of minimum revenue obligations for scholarships and tuition grants; to require that student scholarship organization audits are conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; to amend Code Section 48-7-29.16, relating to qualified education tax credits, so as to increase the limit available to individuals, heads of household, married couples filing joint returns, and individuals who are members of certain limited liability companies, shareholders of Subchapter "S" corporations, or partners in a partnership; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for

other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 532. By Representative Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to change certain provisions relating the Department of Labor and employment security; to authorize the Commissioner of Labor to designate peace officers to carry out and enforce provisions relating to labor and industrial relations; to provide for service of certain documents; to change certain provisions relating to the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor; to change certain provisions relating to eligibility requirements for extended benefits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HB 534. By Representatives Bonner of the 72nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Momtahan of the 17th, Corbett of the 174th and Barton of the 5th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for the offense of promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the offense of reckless stunt driving; to provide for report of conviction of such offenses by courts to the Department of Driver Services; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 544. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Oliver of the 82nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to lottery for education, so as to change the composition of the board of directors of the lottery; to comprehensively revise Article 3, relating to bona fide coin operated amusement machines; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

HB 562. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Ridley of the 6th, Scoggins of the 14th, Cooper of the 43rd and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to warrants for arrest, so as to add DFCS case manager to the people for whom arrest warrants may be issued only by certain judicial officers; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 567. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Dempsey of the 13th and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, so as to revise provisions relating to newborn screening for various disorders; to create the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations to the department when a new disorder is added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel; to provide for requests for appropriations to cover new disorders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 579. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Efstration of the 104th, Wilson of the 80th, Drenner of the 85th, Lopez of the 86th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 75 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to war on terrorism local assistance, so as

to change a short title to the "Public Safety and Judicial Facilities Act"; to repeal the requirement for referendums prior to issuance of bonded indebtedness for new projects; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 582. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carson of the 46th, Thomas of the 21st, Byrd of the 20th and Cantrell of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Cherokee County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 611. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Stephens of the 164th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to small business assistance, so as to change the definition of small business; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

HB 617. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Rhodes of the 120th, Fleming of the 121st, Smyre of the 135th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education, so as to provide that student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs at postsecondary educational institutions may receive compensation for the use of the student athlete's name, image, or likeness; to provide for application to intercollegiate athletic associations; to allow for professional representation of such student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics; to provide for findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

HB 619. By Representative Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the heritage trust program, so as to authorize the sale of Patrick's Fishing Paradise to a private entity; to provide for a procedure for same; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Government Oversight.

HB 631. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Newton of the 123rd, Kelley of the 16th, Lumsden of the 12th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Crime Information Center, so as to provide for the development and operation of a system to voluntarily collect and disseminate information relating to conditions that may impede an individual's ability to communicate with law enforcement or emergency responders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

HB 653. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Stephens of the 164th, Greene of the 151st, Knight of the 130th and Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 26-4-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to the "Georgia Pharmacy Practice Act," so as to revise the definition of "pharmacy care"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 676. By Representatives Houston of the 170th, Dickey of the 140th, England of the 116th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Williams of the 148th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to agriculture, so as to create the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority; to amend Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Attorney General, so as to provide for the inclusion of the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority as a state authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

HB 680. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3845), so as to revise provisions relating to purchases and bids; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 681. By Representatives Yearta of the 152nd, Cheokas of the 138th, Jasperse of the 11th, Dickey of the 140th, Barton of the 5th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum relative to quality basic education, so as to provide for a course of study in financial literacy for students in tenth or eleventh grade; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

HB 693. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, Bentley of the 139th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1B of Article 13 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to operation of farm use vehicle, so as to prohibit operation of farm tractors on interstate highways; to provide for an exception; to provide for operation of farm tractors on state and local roadways; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

HB 697. By Representatives Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Jones of the 25th, Cooper of the 43rd and Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health care data collection, so as to require hospitals to participate in a survey disclosing whether such hospitals maintain technology allowing the electronic sharing of certain patient information with other hospitals; to provide for definitions; to provide that the department shall collect the survey results and submit a report to the legislature;

to provide for repeal; to require the use of certified electronic health technology by certain hospitals; to provide for rule and regulation; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

HB 714. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 8 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisional and final remedies and special proceedings, so as to revise and provide for new requirements under the Georgia Civil Practice Act for settlement offers and arrangements for tort claims for personal injury, bodily injury, and death; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to kinds of insurance, limits of risks, and reinsurance, so as to revise the liability of an insurer upon refusal to pay an insured for any loss pursuant to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies; to revise a penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

HR 24. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Dominic Brian Lucci; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HR 25. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Mark Jason Jones; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HR 26. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Kenneth Eric Gardiner; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HR 29. By Representatives Hugley of the 136th and Smyre of the 135th:

A RESOLUTION compensating Mr. Jakeith Bendray Robinson, Sr.; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HR 144. By Representative Williams of the 145th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Katie Poff and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

HR 183. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Rhodes of the 120th, LaHood of the 175th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Corbett of the 174th:

A RESOLUTION urging the Congress of the United States to pass the Recovering America's Wildlife Act; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment.

HR 204. By Representatives Gilliard of the 162nd, Stephens of the 164th, Williams of the 168th, Petrea of the 166th and Oliver of the 82nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Judge Willie J. Lovett, Jr., and dedicating a building in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State Institutions and Property.

HR 248. By Representative Stephens of the 164th:

A RESOLUTION designating the Savannah Logistics Technology Innovation Corridor as an official technology innovation corridor in Georgia; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Tourism.

HR 282. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th and Ralston of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Sydnie Grace Jones and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 603 | Do Pass | HB 610 | Do Pass |
| SB 274 | Do Pass | SB 275 | Do Pass |
| SB 280 | Do Pass | SB 282 | Do Pass |
| SB 283 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Albers of the 56th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Albers was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hufstetler was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Miller |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Parent |
| Au | Hatchett | Payne |
| Beach | Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Jackson, K. | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, L. | Robertson |

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| Burns | Jones, B. | Seay |
| Butler | Jones, E. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, H. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jordan | Summers |
| Dixon | Kennedy | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Tillery |
| Ginn | Lucas | Tippins |
| Gooch | McNeill | Walker |
| Goodman | Merritt | Watson |
| Halpern | | |

Not answering were Senators:

Dolezal (Excused) Hufstetler (Excused) James (Excused)
Tate (Excused)

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Brass of the 28th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. George S. Dillard III of Peachtree City, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Merritt of the 9th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Priyanka Patel, M.D.

Senator Jackson of the 41st asked unanimous consent that she be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

Senator Merritt of the 9th asked unanimous consent that she be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Merritt was excused.

Senator Harrell of the 40th asked unanimous consent that she be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harrell was excused.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 206. By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Harper of the 7th, Hatchett of the 50th, Dixon of the 45th, Burns of the 23rd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Lewis Parker; and for other purposes.

SR 207. By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Harper of the 7th, Hatchett of the 50th, Dixon of the 45th, Burns of the 23rd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Wayne Brantley; and for other purposes.

SR 208. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Thompson of the 14th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Rhett of the 33rd, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing August 31, 2021, as Overdose Awareness Day at the state capitol in memory of Melanie Travassos and Joey Purpura; and for other purposes.

SR 209. By Senator Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Bridgett Gordon; and for other purposes.

SR 210. By Senator Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Rahim Shah Akhunkhail, nicknamed "Sir," for his dedication to serving humanity, specifically those who are voiceless in society; and for other purposes.

SR 211. By Senator Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Aziz Dhanani; and for other purposes.

SR 212. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th, Rahman of the 5th, Jones of the 10th and Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION commending Crystal Strong, a member of the Curriculum Associates 2021 Class of Extraordinary Educators; and for other purposes.

SR 213. By Senators Jackson of the 2nd, Harbison of the 15th, Rahman of the 5th, Jones of the 10th and Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and legacy of Bill Greenlee; and for other purposes.

SR 214. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of John M. Gehl; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Tuesday March 9, 2021
Twenty-ninth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 280 Gooch of the 51st
**LUMPKIN COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create the board of commissioners of Lumpkin County, approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4272), as amended, so as to revise the qualifications for the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 282 Anderson of the 24th
**LINCOLN COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of elections and registration for Lincoln County approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4210), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 283 Anderson of the 24th
**LINCOLN COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of elections and registration for Lincoln County, Georgia; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 603 McNeill of the 3rd
**BRANTLEY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the board of commissioners of Brantley County, approved July 21, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 500), as amended, so as to authorize the chairperson of the board of commissioners to make and second motions and vote on all matters that come before the board for a vote; to provide for related

matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 610 Kennedy of the 18th
Lucas of the 26th
Jones of the 25th
**BIBB COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for the restructuring of the City of Macon, the City of Payne City, and Bibb County, approved April 20, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5595), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding eligibility for the office of mayor; and for other purposes.

**Pursuant to Article VII, Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution, the following two local bills relating to homestead exemptions require a two-thirds roll-call vote for passage:**

SB 274 Thompson of the 14th
Hufstetler of the 52nd
**BARTOW COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Bartow County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the full amount of the first $400,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 80 years of age or older; to provide that applicants have paid ad valorem property taxes in Bartow County for the previous five years; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 275 Thompson of the 14th
Hufstetler of the 52nd
**BARTOW COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a homestead exemption from certain Bartow County School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for certain residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older, approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4904), as amended by an Act approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3669), so as to increase the exemption

amount; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | E Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | E Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | E Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 29, nays 18.

HB 603, HB 610, SB 280, SB 282, and SB 283, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

SB 274 and SB 275, having failed to receive the requisite two-thirds constitutional majority, were lost.

Senator Tillery of the 19th gave notice that at the proper time he would move that the Senate reconsider its action on SB 274 and SB 275.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-7.1, the motion for reconsideration was set for the next legislative day.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 90 Torts; certain persons, firms, or corporations who are buyers of land for conversion of timber shall be exempt from certain liabilities; provide (B&FI-18th) Williamson-115th

HB 245 Professions and businesses; podiatry; amend a provision relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks (Substitute)(H&HS-32nd) LaHood-175th

HB 367 Controlled substances; Schedules I, II, III, IV, and V; change certain provisions (PUB SAF-11th) Parrish-158th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 90. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Burns of the 159th, Dickey of the 140th, Hatchett of the 150th, Morris of the 156th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages for conversion of timber, so as to provide that certain persons, firms, or corporations who are buyers of land for conversion of timber shall be exempt from certain liabilities; to limit damages for certain causes of action brought for conversion of timber; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | E Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | E Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

HB 90, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 245. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 35 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to podiatry practice, so as to amend a provision relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 245:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to amend a provision relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks for licensure of physicians, physician assistants, and others; to amend a provision relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks for licensure of podiatrists; to

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

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended in Code Section 43-34-13, relating to fingerprinting and criminal background checks for health care professionals licensed by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) Any applicant as a health care professional or as an expedited physician licensee shall have satisfactory results from a fingerprint records check report conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as determined by the board. Application for a license, certificate, or permit under this chapter shall constitute express consent and authorization for the board ~~or its representative~~ to perform a criminal background check. Each applicant who submits an application to the board for licensure, certification, or permit agrees to provide the board with any and all information necessary to run a criminal background check, including, but not limited to, classifiable sets of fingerprints. The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of such criminal background check."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 43-35-12.1, relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks, as follows:

"43-35-12.1.

Any applicant for a license or ~~renewal~~ reinstatement shall have satisfactory results from a fingerprint records check report conducted by the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, as determined by the board. Application for a license or reinstatement under this chapter shall constitute express consent and authorization for the board or its representative to perform a criminal background check. Each applicant who submits an application to the board for licensure or reinstatement agrees to provide the board with any and all information necessary to run a criminal background check, including, but not limited to, classifiable sets of fingerprints. The applicant shall be responsible for all fees associated with the performance of such criminal background check."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Watson of the 1st offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to HB 245 (LC 33 8731S) by striking line 30 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
the board ~~or its representative~~ to perform a criminal background check. Each applicant

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Kirkpatrick amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | E Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | E Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 0.

HB 245, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/9/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 245. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Seay of the 34th

HB 367. By Representatives Parrish of the 158th, Stephens of the 164th and Reeves of the 34th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to controlled substances, so as to change certain provisions relating to Schedules I, II, III, IV, and V controlled substances; to change certain provisions relating to the definition of dangerous drug; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Burke of the 11th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | E Rahman |
| Y Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | E Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

HB 367, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following resolution was read and put upon its adoption:

HR 315. By Representative Burns of the 159th:

> A RESOLUTION calling a joint session of the House of Representatives and the Senate for the purpose of hearing a message from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; inviting each other Justice of the Supreme Court and each Judge of the Court of Appeals to be present at the joint session; and for other purposes.

On the adoption of the resolution, there was no objection, and the resolution was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 10, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, March 10, 2021
Thirtieth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

At 10:01 a.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease.

At 10:05 a.m., the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Thompson of the 14th moved that the Senate reconsider its action in defeating the following bill.

SB 274. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Bartow County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the full amount of the first $400,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 80 years of age or older; to provide that applicants have paid ad valorem property taxes in Bartow County for the previous five years; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

On the motion, there was no objection, and SB 274 was reconsidered and placed on the General Calendar, pursuant to Senate Rule 6-7.5.

Senator Thompson of the 14th moved that the Senate reconsider its action in defeating the following bill.

SB 275. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a homestead exemption from certain Bartow County School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for certain residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older, approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4904), as amended by an Act approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3669), so as to increase the

exemption amount; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

On the motion, there was no objection, and SB 275 was reconsidered and placed on the General Calendar, pursuant to Senate Rule 6-7.5.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 288. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Halpern of the 39th, Jackson of the 41st, Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to education, so as to require testing of drinking water in child care learning centers and schools for lead contamination; to provide for definitions; to provide for notice and reporting of test results and remediation plans; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for an exemption; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SB 289. By Senator Jackson of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Chatham County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 290. By Senator Hickman of the 4th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the composition of the Board of Education of Evans County, approved March 26, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4782), as amended, so as to revise the compensation of the board; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 34 Do Pass
HB 268 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 124 Do Pass by substitute
HB 150 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Beach of the 21st be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Beach was excused.

Senator Tillery of the 19th asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbin of the 16th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbin was excused.

Senator Rahman of the 5th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

Senator Rahman of the 5th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jordan of the 6th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jordan was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Mullis |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Orrock |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Parent |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Payne |
| Au | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Brass | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Seay |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Kennedy | Summers |
| Dixon | Kirkpatrick | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Lucas | Tillery |
| Dugan | McNeill | Tippins |
| Ginn | Merritt | Walker |
| Gooch | Miller | Watson |
| Goodman | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Beach (Excused) | Harbin (Excused) | Jackson, L. (Excused) |
| James (Excused) | Jones II (Excused) | Jordan (Excused) |
| Tate (Excused) | | |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Pastor John Woods of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The President recognized former Senator Jim Butterworth.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 215. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Ringgold High School softball team for winning the AAA Softball State Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 216. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Gordon Lee High School cheerleading team for winning the A Public Cheerleading State Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 217. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Heritage High School softball team for winning the AAAA Softball State Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 218. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Denise Deal; and for other purposes.

SR 219. By Senators Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th, Jones of the 10th and Orrock of the 36th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Victor Jackson; and for other purposes.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021
## THIRTIETH LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 105 Military; pay for certain active duty by the organized militia; authorize (VM&HS-20th) Clark-147th

HB 93 Health; eliminate duplicative state licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories; provisions (H&HS-1st) Cooper-43rd

HB 129 Sheriffs; compensation; modify certain provisions (SLGO(G)-24th) Watson-172nd

HB 106 Georgia State Indemnification Fund; replace the term National Guard with the term organized militia (VM&HS-14th) Clark-147th

HB 163 Community Health, Department of; submit state plan amendment to implement express lane enrollment in Medicaid; direct (H&HS-11th) Cooper-43rd

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 105. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Williams of the 168th, Tarvin of the 2nd, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pay, pensions, and allowances of state military personnel, so as to authorize pay for certain active duty by the organized militia; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |

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| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 105, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/10/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 105. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Au of the 48th

HB 93. By Representative Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to eliminate duplicative state licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories; to repeal provisions relating to examination of human specimens and methods for selection of blood donors and collection, storage, and processing of human blood; to eliminate state inspections of clinical laboratories; to amend Code Sections 26-4-172 and 42-1-10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to license requirements generally under the "Nuclear Pharmacy Act" and preliminary urine screen drug tests for inmates, respectively, so as to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

HB 93, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/10/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 93. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Au of the 48th

HB 129. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Kelley of the 16th, Hatchett of the 150th, Gaines of the 117th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sheriffs, so as to modify certain provisions regarding the compensation received by certain sheriffs; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Anderson of the 24th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 129, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/10/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 129. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Au of the 48th

Senator Orrock of the 36th asked unanimous consent that Senator Au of the 48th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Au was excused.

HB 106. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Williams of the 168th, Tarvin of the 2nd, Hitchens of the 161st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 45-9-81 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as to replace the term "National Guard" with the term "organized militia" in the definition of law enforcement officer; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Thompson of the 14th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 106, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 163. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Gaines of the 117th, Dempsey of the 13th, Frye of the 118th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to direct the Department of Community Health to submit a state plan amendment to implement express lane enrollment in Medicaid; to direct the

Department of Human Services to automatically enroll and renew eligible children in Medicaid, based on application data received for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Burke of the 11th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 163, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Joseph Hobbs, M.D.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 11, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, March 11, 2021
Thirty-first Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 655. By Representatives Wilson of the 80th, Oliver of the 82nd, Evans of the 83rd and Holcomb of the 81st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of Brookhaven in DeKalb County, approved April 16, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5527), as amended, so as to provide for the filling of vacancies in the offices of mayor and councilmembers of more than 12 months; to provide for the filling of vacancies in the offices of mayor and councilmembers of less than 12 months; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 682. By Representative Jasperse of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of elections and registration for Pickens County, Georgia; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 683. By Representative Jasperse of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Pickens County and provide for its powers and duties approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3598), as amended, so as to provide

for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 684. By Representatives Nix of the 69th, Smith of the 133rd and Jenkins of the 132nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Troup County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved April 12, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5409), so as to provide for a new five member board; to terminate the office of the current board members; to provide for appointment, qualifications, term, quorum, and meeting of board members; to revise provisions regarding the election supervisor; to provide for filling of vacancies; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 685. By Representative Jasperse of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reincorporate and provide a new charter for the City of Jasper, Georgia; to provide for the corporate limits of the city, the powers of the city, and the form and method of government of the city; to provide for the administration of city affairs; to provide for the municipal court of the city; to provide for elections for city offices; to provide for taxation by the city; to provide for the financial management of the city; to provide for financial and fiscal affairs of the city; to provide for municipal services and regulatory functions; to provide general provisions; to provide for other matters relative thereto; to provide for specific repeal; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 705. By Representative Mathis of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the Probate Court of Bleckley County to charge a technology fee; to specify the uses to which said technology fee may be assigned; to provide for the termination of said technology fee and dedication of residual funds to technology uses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 707. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Taylor of the 173rd, LaHood of the 175th and Campbell of the 171st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Coolidge; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 708. By Representatives Dreyer of the 59th and Schofield of the 60th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Hapeville Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for the purpose and scope of operation; to provide for definitions; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to provide for interests and remedies to bondholders; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received to be deemed trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption; to provide for rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of the act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 711. By Representative Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to provide ward residence requirements for city councilmembers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 291. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Merritt of the 9th and Au of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 8 of Chapter 9 of Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to compensation for occupational disease, so as to include COVID-19 within the meaning of occupational disease for essential workers; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance and Labor.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 655. By Representatives Wilson of the 80th, Oliver of the 82nd, Evans of the 83rd and Holcomb of the 81st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of Brookhaven in DeKalb County, approved April 16, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5527),

as amended, so as to provide for the filling of vacancies in the offices of mayor and councilmembers of more than 12 months; to provide for the filling of vacancies in the offices of mayor and councilmembers of less than 12 months; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 682. By Representative Jasperse of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of elections and registration for Pickens County, Georgia; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 683. By Representative Jasperse of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Pickens County and provide for its powers and duties approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3598), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 684. By Representatives Nix of the 69th, Smith of the 133rd and Jenkins of the 132nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Troup County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved April 12, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5409), so as to provide for a new five member board; to terminate the office of the current board members; to provide for appointment, qualifications, term, quorum, and meeting of board members; to revise provisions regarding the election supervisor; to provide for filling of vacancies; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 685. By Representative Jasperse of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reincorporate and provide a new charter for the City of Jasper, Georgia; to provide for the corporate limits of the city, the powers of the city, and the form and method of government of the city; to provide for

the administration of city affairs; to provide for the municipal court of the city; to provide for elections for city offices; to provide for taxation by the city; to provide for the financial management of the city; to provide for financial and fiscal affairs of the city; to provide for municipal services and regulatory functions; to provide general provisions; to provide for other matters relative thereto; to provide for specific repeal; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 705. By Representative Mathis of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the Probate Court of Bleckley County to charge a technology fee; to specify the uses to which said technology fee may be assigned; to provide for the termination of said technology fee and dedication of residual funds to technology uses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 707. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Taylor of the 173rd, LaHood of the 175th and Campbell of the 171st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Coolidge; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Hapeville Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for the purpose and scope of operation; to provide for definitions; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to provide for interests and remedies to bondholders; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received to be deemed trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption; to provide for rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of the act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other

purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

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A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to provide ward residence requirements for city councilmembers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 63 | Do Pass | HB 149 | Do Pass |
| HB 271 | Do Pass | HB 292 | Do Pass |
| HB 374 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 119 | Do Pass | HB 234 | Do Pass |
| HB 305 | Do Pass | HB 395 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 112 | Do Pass | HB 322 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 497 | Do Pass | HB 620 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 355 | Do Pass |
| HB 362 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harper of the 7th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 169 | Do Pass |
| HB 207 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 246 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 174 | Do Pass |
| HB 210 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Ginn of the 47th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

HB 34 HB 124 HB 150 HB 268

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Butler of the 55th asked unanimous consent that Senator Harrell of the 40th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harrell was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Miller |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Mullis |
| Au | Harper | Parent |
| Beach | Hatchett | Payne |
| Brass | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, K. | Strickland |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Summers |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Thompson |
| Dixon | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Gooch | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Harrell (Excused) | Jackson, L. (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Jones II (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Anderson, T. |
| Cowsert | Dolezal | Dugan |
| Ginn | Jordan | Lucas |

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| Orrock | Rahman | Seay |
| Sims | Tippins | |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

Senators: Sims of the 12th Orrock of the 36th Tippins of the 37th

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Mark Beatty of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Merritt of the 9th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Snehal Dalal, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 220. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Reverend Walter Lee "W.L." and Rebekah Thompson Whelchel; and for other purposes.

SR 221. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Maurice Cleveland Robbins; and for other purposes.

SR 222. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Dinah Culbreath Wayne; and for other purposes.

SR 223. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ryan Locke; and for other purposes.

SR 224. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th, Harper of

the 7th and Hickman of the 4th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Captain Stanley Curtis Elrod; and for other purposes.

SR 225. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Northeast Georgia Speech and Hearing Center; and for other purposes.

SR 226. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Fralil N. Carter Cheek Walker; and for other purposes.

SR 227. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Frank Kenimer Norton Sr.; and for other purposes.

SR 228. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Jack E. Frost; and for other purposes.

SR 229. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mark Fockele; and for other purposes.

SR 230. By Senators Harper of the 7th, McNeill of the 3rd, Tippins of the 37th, Goodman of the 8th, Brass of the 28th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 7-13, 2021, as National Groundwater Awareness Week in Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 231. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending the 2021 Senate Aides and Senate Academic Aides for their exemplary service; and for other purposes.

SR 232. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 2nd, Halpern of the 39th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Elaine Ruth Levin; and for other purposes.

SR 233. By Senators Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th, Dixon of the 45th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Audrey Arona for her valiant public service to Gwinnett, Newton, and Rockdale counties throughout the COVID-19 pandemic; and for other purposes.

SR 234. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Harper of the 7th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Bruce Widener for his many years of service; and for other purposes.

SR 235. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th, Gooch of the 51st and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Jackie Alderman Joseph; and for other purposes.

SR 236. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Gooch of the 51st, Ginn of the 47th and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Andrea Timpone; and for other purposes.

SR 237. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Ginn of the 47th, Gooch of the 51st and Jones of the 25th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ellender Smith LeFevre; and for other purposes.

SR 238. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th, Dixon of the 45th and Ginn of the 47th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Milton Martin Sr.; and for other purposes.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021
THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE DAY

SB 274 Bartow County; homestead exemption; school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes; provide (SLGO-14th)

SB 275 Bartow County School District Ad Valorem Taxes; homestead exemption; increase exemption amount (SLGO-14th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read and put upon its passage:

SB 274. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Bartow County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the full amount of the first $400,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 80 years of age or older; to provide that applicants have paid ad valorem property taxes in Bartow County for the previous five years; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd and Thompson of the 14th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 274 (LC 44 1656) by replacing* "2022" *in line 52 with* "2023 and ending on or before December 31, 2028".

*By replacing* "2021" *in line 61 with* "2022".

*By replacing* "2022" *in line 75 with* "2023".

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Hufstetler amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 274, having received the requisite two-thirds constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

SB 275. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a homestead exemption from certain Bartow County School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for certain residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older, approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4904), as amended by an Act approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3669), so as to increase the

exemption amount; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd and Thompson of the 14th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SB 275 (LC 44 1655) by:

Replace “2022” on line 23 with “2023”
Replace “2021” on line 32 with “2022”
Replace “2022” on line 44 with “2023”
Replace “2022” on line 45 with “2023”
Add after “2022” on line 45 with “and ending on December 31, 2028”

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Hufstetler amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

SB 275, having received the requisite two-thirds constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 15, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, March 15, 2021
Thirty-second Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Albers of the 56th reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 4. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Robertson of the 29th, Rhett of the 33rd, Burke of the 11th and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drug abuse treatment and education programs, so as to prohibit patient brokering; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for enforcement; to provide for venue; to provide for reasonable expenses; to provide for cumulative actions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to provide that excessive, fraudulent, or high-tech drug testing of certain individuals is considered a fraudulent insurance act; to provide for investigation by the Commissioner of Insurance; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 156. By Representatives Parsons of the 44th, Martin of the 49th, Kelley of the 16th, Smith of the 133rd, Nix of the 69th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 38 and 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and

veterans affairs and state government, respectively, so as to facilitate the sharing of information and reporting of cyber attacks; to require governmental agencies and utilities to report any cyber attacks to the director of emergency management and homeland security; to provide for definitions; to provide for the director to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for proceedings related to cybersecurity to be held in executive session; to provide for certain information, data, and reports related to cybersecurity and cyber attacks to be exempt from public disclosure and inspection; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 292. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose income does not exceed $53,000.00; to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 293. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide conditions upon the expansion of the boundaries of the City of Decatur independent school systems that are extended by annexation by the City of Decatur; to provide constitutional authority and legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 153 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 336 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 693 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Walker III of the 20th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 161 | Do Pass |
| HR 130 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

| | | | |
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| HB 168 | Do Pass | HB 218 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 364 | Do Pass | HB 453 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the

following recommendation:

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| HB 273 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 410 | Do Pass |
| HB 476 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 533 | Do Pass | HB 623 | Do Pass |
| HB 634 | Do Pass | HB 658 | Do Pass |
| SB 21 | Do Pass | SB 287 | Do Pass |
| SB 290 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 63 | HB 112 | HB 119 | HB 149 | HB 169 | HB 174 |
| HB 207 | HB 210 | HB 234 | HB 246 | HB 271 | HB 292 |
| HB 305 | HB 322 | HB 355 | HB 362 | HB 374 | HB 395 |
| HB 497 | HB 620 | | | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Davenport of the 44th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Davenport was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones of the 25th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones was excused.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that Senator Mullis of the 53rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Mullis was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 24th asked unanimous consent that Senator Payne of the 54th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Payne was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | McNeill |
| Anavitarte | Halpern | Merritt |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Miller |
| Au | Harper | Parent |
| Beach | Harrell | Rahman |
| Brass | Hatchett | Rhett |
| Burke | Hickman | Robertson |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Seay |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jackson, L. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Jordan | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Walker |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Watson |
| Gooch | Lucas | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anderson, T. (Excused) | James (Excused) | Jones, B. (Excused) |
| Mullis (Excused) | Payne (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Harbin | Orrock | Tippins |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the chaplain of the day, Apostle Roderick Hughey of

Gainesville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 239. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Audraine Jackson for receiving the 2021 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

SR 240. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Marcia Lee Ridley for receiving the 2021 Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

SR 241. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Mullis of the 53rd, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Sims of the 12th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and celebrating the long life of President Jimmy Carter, whose outstanding accomplishments include serving as former Governor of Georgia and former Georgia State Senator, receiving a Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, being a global human rights activist, and becoming the longest living United States President at 96 years old; and for other purposes.

SR 242. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Au of the 48th, Harrell of the 40th, Rhett of the 33rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 14, 2021, as Pi Day; and for other purposes.

SR 243. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th, Rhett of the 33rd, Harrell of the 40th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the life and legacy of Vernon Eulion Jordan Jr.; and for other purposes.

SR 244. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Harbison of the 15th, Sims of the 12th, Anderson of the 43rd and Jackson of the 2nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 16, 2021, as Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Heritage Day, a day to honor the critical role of HBCUs; and for other purposes.

SR 245. By Senators Summers of the 13th, Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th, Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Frank McGill; and for other purposes.

SR 246. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Dr. Gulshan Harjee for receiving the 2021 Yellow Rose Nikki T. Randall Servant Leader Award; and for other purposes.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Government Oversight and committed to the Senate Committee on State Institutions and Property:

HR 142. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state owned property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned property in Hall County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and HR 142 was committed to the Senate Committee on State Institutions and Property.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Government Oversight and committed to the Senate Committee on State Institutions and Property:

HR 143. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun,

Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and HR 143 was committed to the Senate Committee on State Institutions and Property.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Monday March 15, 2021
Thirty-second Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 21 Jones of the 10th
Butler of the 55th
Anderson of the 43rd
**STONECREST**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of Stonecrest in DeKalb County, approved April 21, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3538), as amended, so as to limit the mayor to voting only in the event of a tie of the council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 287 Payne of the 54th
**CITY OF ETON**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Eton, approved March 26, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4689), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 12, 2011 (Ga. L. 2011, p. 4095), so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 290 Hickman of the 4th
**EVANS COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the composition of the Board of Education of Evans County, approved

March 26, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4782), as amended, so as to revise the compensation of the board; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 533 Summers of the 13th
**CITY OF SYLVESTER**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Sylvester Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for the purpose and scope of operation; to provide for definitions; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to provide for interests and remedies to bondholders; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received to be deemed trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption; to provide for rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of the act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 623 Payne of the 54th
**COHUTTA**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Cohutta; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 634 Lucas of the 26th
**WILKINSON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide that the judge of the Probate Court of Wilkinson County shall serve as chief magistrate of the Magistrate Court of Wilkinson County, approved March 12, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 3980), as amended; so as to provide one-year terms of office for magistrates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 658 Anderson of the 24th
Hatchett of the 50th
**FRANKLIN-HART**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create the Franklin-

Hart Airport Authority, approved April 1, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3927), so as to revise the provisions regarding members and employees of the authority transacting certain business with the authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Orrock of the 36th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 111 Financial institutions; clarify and remove superfluous language; provisions (B&FI-18th) Williamson-115th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 111. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Houston of the 170th and Wade of the 9th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to financial institutions, so as to clarify and remove superfluous language; to update terminology; to remove outdated language; to amend Chapter 3 of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to installment loans, so as to provide for deferments of installment loans; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Fair Lending Act, so as to update citations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | E Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 111, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that the following bill be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Government Oversight and committed to the Senate Committee on Public Safety:

HB 286. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Dempsey of the 13th, Wiedower of the 119th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county police, so as to restrict the ability of county governing authorities to reduce funding for county police departments; to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to municipal corporations, so as to restrict the ability of municipal or consolidated government governing authorities to reduce funding for municipal police departments; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and HB 286 was committed to the Senate Committee on Public Safety.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, March 16, 2021
Thirty-third Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

March 15, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Butch Miller** to serve as an **Ex-Officio for the Senate State and Local Government Operations Committee meeting today at 2:15pm.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 5. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Au of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide patient protection measures for patients undergoing sedation in certain settings; to provide for patients under conscious sedation in dental settings and for dental procedures in medispas; to provide for patients under varying levels of sedation in physician offices and medispas; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 294. By Senator Harrell of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Chamblee, approved March 28, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 976), as amended, so as to change the election districts to provide for four council districts and one at-large district; to provide for terms of office; to define the boundaries of the four numbered districts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 295. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the City of Cleveland Building Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 296. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of

Commissioners of White County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for expense allowances for members of the board of commissioners; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SR 247. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th, Thompson of the 14th, Miller of the 49th and others:

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

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 256. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Hatchett of the 50th, Dixon of the 45th, Ginn of the 47th and Gooch of the 51st:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Mr. David Morris Anderson, Sr., and dedicating a bridge in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 114 Do Pass
HB 511 Do Pass
HB 593 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 44 Do Pass by substitute

HB 465 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 396 Do Pass
HB 655 Do Pass
HB 684 Do Pass
HB 708 Do Pass
HB 711 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations (General) has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 130 Do Pass by substitute
HB 459 Do Pass
HB 488 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State Institutions and Property has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HR 204 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbison of the 15th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 153 | HB 161 | HB 168 | HB 218 | HB 273 | HB 336 |
| HB 364 | HB 410 | HB 453 | HB 476 | HB 693 | HR 130 |

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Hufstetler was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the call of the roll be dispensed with. The consent was granted, and the roll call was dispensed with.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. Dwight “Ike” Reighard of Marietta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Brett Cannon, M.D.

The President recognized Congressman Rick Allen. Congressman Allen addressed the Senate briefly.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 248. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Willie King Sr.; and for other purposes.

SR 249. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Burns of the 23rd, Dugan of the 30th, Goodman of the 8th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending William C. "Bill" Clayton; and for other purposes.

SR 250. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Burns of the 23rd, Dugan of the 30th, Payne of the 54th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Sandra Carraway; and for other purposes.

SR 251. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Sims of the 12th, Jackson of the 41st, Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 1, 2021, as Spelman College Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 252. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, McNeill of the 3rd, Dugan of the 30th, Harrell of the 40th and Rhett of the 33rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Amy Stevens; and for other purposes.

SR 253. By Senators Hickman of the 4th and Burns of the 23rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Sheriff Randall Tippins; and for other purposes.

SR 254. By Senators Hickman of the 4th and Burns of the 23rd:

A RESOLUTION commending and congratulating Sheriff J. Tyson Stephens; and for other purposes.

SR 255. By Senators Hickman of the 4th and Burns of the 23rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Aiden Conner Cornwell; and for other purposes.

SR 257. By Senators Goodman of the 8th, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Dugan of the 30th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Margaret Herold Blitch; and for other purposes.

SR 258. By Senators Au of the 48th and Rahman of the 5th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the grassroots organizers from They See Blue Georgia for their work during the 2020 election cycle and runoffs; and for other purposes.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that the following bill be withdrawn from the Senate Committee on Government Oversight and committed to the Senate Committee on Judiciary:

HB 383. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Efstration of the 104th, Cooper of the 43rd, Dollar of the 45th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure relative to state purchasing, so as to prohibit the state from entering into certain contracts with an individual or company unless such contracts contain a certification that such individual or company does not presently conduct a boycott of Israel and will not conduct such a boycott for the duration of such contract; to exclude certain contracts from these requirements; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and HB 383 was committed to the Senate Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on the Local Consent Calendar pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Tuesday March 16, 2021
Thirty-third Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 396 Burke of the 11th
Sims of the 12th
**SOUTH GEORGIA REGIONAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY**
A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act creating the South Georgia Regional Information Technology Authority, approved May 29, 2007 (Ga. L. 2007, p. 4336), as amended; to provide for assets and liabilities thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 655 Harrell of the 40th
Parent of the 42nd
**BROOKHAVEN**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of Brookhaven in DeKalb County, approved April 16, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5527), as amended, so as to provide for the filling of vacancies in the offices of mayor and councilmembers of more than 12 months; to provide for the filling of vacancies in the offices of mayor and councilmembers of less than 12 months; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 684 Brass of the 28th
Robertson of the 29th
**TROUP COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Troup County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved April 12, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5409), so as to provide for a new five member board; to terminate the office of the current board members; to provide for appointment, qualifications, term, quorum, and meeting of board members; to revise provisions regarding the election supervisor; to provide for filling of vacancies; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 708 Orrock of the 36th
**HAPEVILLE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Hapeville Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for the purpose and scope of operation; to provide for definitions; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to provide for interests and remedies to bondholders; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received to be deemed trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption; to provide for rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of the act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 711 Summers of the 13th
**SYLVESTER**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Sylvester, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4219), so as to provide ward residence requirements for city councilmembers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | E Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 43, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand in recess for the purpose of convening a joint session on the State of the Judiciary, and upon the dissolution of the Joint Session, the Senate stand adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, 2021.

The President announced the motion prevailed at 10:47 a.m.

The hour for convening the Joint Session of the Senate and House having arrived, the

President, accompanied by the President Pro Tempore, Senate Majority Leader, and Senate Minority Leader, proceeded to the Hall of the House of Representatives, and the Joint Session, called for the purpose of hearing a message by Honorable Harold D. Melton, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, was called to order by the Speaker of the House. HR 315 authorizing the Joint Session of the Senate and House was read by the Clerk of the House.

Honorable Harold D. Melton, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, addressed the Joint Session of the Senate and the House of Representatives as follows:

Lieutenant Governor Duncan, Speaker Ralston, President Pro Tem Miller, Speaker Pro Tem Jones, members of the General Assembly, Constitutional Officers, my fellow judges, ladies and gentlemen:

Written in big letters above the bench of the Supreme Court of Georgia is the Latin phrase, "Fiat Justitia, Ruat Caelum." Translated into English, it means, "Let justice be done, though the heavens may fall."

To me, this motto has always meant that we who are judges must do the right thing and uphold the rule of law regardless of the politics, the public will, or the consequences. Now I have another take. Given this past year, I believe it also means that justice must prevail even when everything around us is falling apart. Truth and justice for all must remain front and center, even if we find ourselves in a historic time of great political upheaval, racial and social unrest, and a worldwide pandemic that has altered our lives.

I thank you for this annual opportunity to report to the Georgia Legislature the state of the judiciary: what the courts have accomplished this past year and where we are headed. And I thank you for your continued support. I am also grateful to Governor Kemp for his help and leadership this past year. I want to give a special greeting to my lovely wife, Kimberly, who adjusted her travel plans at the last minute in order to be here for this moment. This is the kind of love and support she has consistently extended to me. Thank you for being here with me on this special day.

When I stood before you a year ago, I spoke of the pride and hope I had in our Georgia judicial branch of government going forward in 2020. I did not know that less than three weeks later, I would have to declare a Statewide Judicial Emergency in response to the COVID-19 pandemic that had reached Georgia's borders. I did not know that in the coming months, many of us would lose colleagues, friends, and loved ones to this dangerous disease, or fall victim to it ourselves. I did not know how hard our courts would have to work, pivot, and change in order to uphold justice.

But today, ladies and gentlemen, I can report to you that going forward in 2021, the state of our judiciary is sound, solid, and strong. It is not without its challenges, and I particularly want to thank you for your support this legislative session in helping us to confront some

of those challenges.

This past year, I have witnessed first-hand that your judges and courts are remarkably resilient, flexible, creative, and committed in their mission to uphold the law and mete out justice fairly and equitably. It has been my honor – and one of the highlights of my professional career – to work with an amazingly cohesive group of justices, judges, clerks, court administrators, leaders of the state bar, law school deans, public health officials, sheriffs' offices, and others who have collaborated and cooperated to keep our courts open and the work of the judiciary on track, all while going the extra distance to ensure that people are safe.

Our courts exist to uphold the law. It is what we are. It is who we are. The rule of law is the principle that in our nation and our state, the law is in charge, not a king, not a dictator, but a body of laws. No one stands above the law, and no one is to be treated differently under the law. In a democracy, our laws must be applied equally whether you are weak or powerful, rich or poor, white or of color, young or old, of one religion or another. The rule of law is intended to protect the rights of the people and to prevent tyranny.

Justice and the rule of law cannot wait on a pandemic.

One year ago – on March 12, 2020 – in an emergency phone call, I told Georgia's judicial leaders that under state law, the chief judge of each judicial circuit had the authority to suspend jury trials and other court operations in response to the COVID-19 virus. The next day, Fulton County Superior Court Chief Judge Christopher Brasher became the first to do so. Others around the state soon followed suit.

Two days later, I declared a Statewide Judicial Emergency, following the lead of Governor Kemp. The order took effect immediately and was due to expire in 30 days, as state law required. At that time, we knew of only one death in Georgia due to COVID-19.

The emergency order signed that day required courts to remain open to address critical or "essential" functions, and give priority to such matters as domestic abuse restraining orders, criminal bond hearings, mental health commitment hearings, and cases where an immediate liberty or safety concern was present. The order suspended a number of judicial deadlines and urged courts to begin using video conferencing where possible as a safer alternative to in-person proceedings.

In the ensuing months, new orders followed every 30 days extending the Statewide Judicial Emergency. At first we thought this pandemic would be over within a few months and we would all go back to "normal." I certainly never envisioned we would still be within its grips one year later. With the help of the Administrative Office of the Courts and Director Cynthia Clanton, we have held emergency virtual meetings almost every week with the Judicial Council. The council is the policy-making body of the state's judicial branch that

is made up of judges representing every class of courts in Georgia. In those meetings, we heard questions that needed to be answered, rules and laws that needed to be changed, the steps we needed to take to get courts fully functional during a pandemic. In a normal year, there are four quarterly meetings of the Judicial Council. In this past year, there have been more than 30, and they have been extremely productive.

I want to emphasize that from day one of this emergency, Georgia's courts have remained open. And the work of the courts continues. It just looks different. Along the way, I've told judges, if you have to stick a bucket inside the front door of the courthouse to accept a filing, and instruct that filer to kick that bucket back and forth across the room in order to operate, then do that. We've adjusted our operations, and there are things that we have not been able to do. But our courts have not closed.

Our judges have taken an oath to uphold the law. And many will tell you they go to bed at night worried about how they can push cases to resolution without endangering the public health of all those who come to our courthouses. You should be proud of the many Georgia judges in superior courts, state courts, juvenile courts, probate courts, magistrate courts, municipal courts, the business court, and the appellate courts – who have stepped up this year and gone beyond their normal duties to keep cases moving as much as possible while keeping people safe.

In some cases, it has cost them their lives.

Our probate judges have been particularly hard hit by this virus. Probate judges have a host of critically important jobs, including the emergency appointment of guardians and the involuntary hospitalization of incapacitated adults and other dependent individuals. Ensuring care for those who cannot help themselves cannot wait for the end of a pandemic.

Among probate judges we lost this past year from COVID-19 were Judge Karen Batten of Brantley County – described by Probate Council President, Judge Kelli Wolk, as a "genuinely kind soul;" Judge Nancy Stephenson of Dougherty County – a judge who loved and served her community of Albany, which loved her back; and Judge Jon Payne of Chattooga County – a veteran of the U.S. Marines and a former Sheriff's Deputy who was elected Chattooga County Probate Judge at the age of 25 and remained a probate judge for the next 45 years until he was struck down by the coronavirus.

We lost my dear friend and colleague, former Chief Justice George Carley, to the virus. Another former Chief Justice, Norman Fletcher, lost his beloved wife, Dot. And Superior Court Judge Horace Johnson of Covington – a bright, shining star – left us way too early after collapsing only hours after holding a virtual court hearing from his home. Even though he had tested positive for COVID-19, Judge Johnson continued doing his sworn duty until the end.

In addition, countless judges, court staff, deputies, prosecutors, public defenders, lawyers and others in our court family have contracted – but survived – COVID-19.

I know a number of you have suffered similar losses and may even have had the virus yourself. I thank you for still being here and for showing up to serve the people of this great state.

In the first month of the emergency, the Supreme Court of Georgia – like other courts – canceled the courtroom sessions that were scheduled in March 2020 for oral arguments. But my colleagues and I – thanks to our first-rate IT staff – quickly adapted to the use of Zoom video conferencing technology, as did the attorneys who argued before us. And with the exception of March, the state's highest court has not missed a single month of arguments. The cases canceled in March were added to the April calendar, and we have continued to stay on track. Our Court of nine justices continues to meet regularly and virtually to decide cases, and the number of opinions we issued remained about the same in the last two years: We issued 265 opinions from April through December in 2020 compared to 261 opinions during the same months in 2019.

At the beginning of the emergency, one bright spot was the governor's appointment last March of a new justice: Georgia Court of Appeals Judge Carla Wong McMillian who took the seat of the retired Justice Robert Benham. Justice McMillian is the first Asian American ever appointed to the state's highest court, and she has been a welcome addition.

Although the number of cases argued before the Court has slowed down during the pandemic, the work of the Court has increased because of the pandemic. I am so grateful to my colleagues: Presiding Justice David Nahmias, former Justice Keith Blackwell, Justice Michael Boggs, Justice Nels Peterson, and Clerk of Court Tee Barnes, and Chief Deputy Clerk Tia Milton, who formed our internal working group to lead our judicial branch through this crisis.

Among many changes, we amended trial court rules to allow virtual hearings through video conferencing technology in proceedings that normally require the physical presence of the judge and parties.

We also replaced the in-person Georgia Bar Examination with an online bar exam to avoid having hundreds of people sitting for hours in close quarters. This took enormous effort and I am thankful to all those involved: former Justice Blackwell and Justice Peterson, the Board of Bar Examiners, the Office of Bar Admissions under the leadership of Heidi Faenza, and the deans of all five of our law schools. We have successfully administered two remote bar exams – one last October and one last month, testing a total of more than 1800 applicants who now have a path to licensure to practice law.

I also want to thank Governor Kemp and his staff who have helped us in making some of

these changes. The governor responded to us immediately last April by issuing an order that now allows notaries to certify documents remotely, rather than in person.

From the beginning of this pandemic, our greatest challenge in the judiciary has been jury trials. When people think of courts and court business, most think of jury trials – the kind they see on TV. Indeed, jury trials are the hallmark of our American legal system. A fundamental constitutional right in a criminal case to be judged by a jury of your peers.

Early on, we suspended jury trials due to the number of people involved, the length of the trials, and especially due to the number of citizens needed to be summoned for jury selection. The public health risk to all those involved was significant. At that time, we were seeing COVID outbreaks in Georgia and across the nation where large numbers of people gathered inside in close quarters – such as they do for a jury trial.

The decision to open jury trials is different from opening private businesses. Unlike when individuals choose whether to visit a store, or a gym, or a restaurant, when a citizen receives a jury summons, that's not an invitation, it's an order. We compel people to come to court. It has therefore been critical that when we resumed jury trials, we did it right – with the necessary safeguards in place to protect the public health and safety of lawyers, judges, jurors, clerks, bailiffs, sheriff's deputies, court reporters, witnesses, defendants, parties, and all the many people we require to be present for a trial.

But we suspended jury trials at a real cost. And we recognized that we could not suspend them indefinitely, even if the pandemic continued. Unindicted criminal cases have been building, and there are many individuals in jail who have been waiting for more than a year, under the presumption of being innocent until being proven guilty. In addition to criminal trials, many people are awaiting resolution of weighty matters through civil trials, including cases that involve business disputes, personal injuries, divorces, and child custody.

In mid-October, I signed an order lifting the suspension of jury trials. Not too long after we reopened jury trials, however, the number of coronavirus cases spiked. And in December, we had to shut them down again. Since then, our trial courts have been accumulating more cases that are awaiting indictment and trial. The potential backlog in cases is staggering, and we must find a way to reduce the growing pressure.

So one week ago today, after the number of coronavirus cases sharply declined, I again signed an order authorizing the resumption of jury trials in Georgia. Under this order, before jury trials may resume, courts must have written plans in place to ensure that jury trials can be conducted safely in conformity with public health guidance.

I am so grateful for the leadership of former Fulton County Superior Court Judge Shawn LaGrua – now Justice LaGrua, the most recent appointee to the state Supreme Court. She

and Chief Judge Russell McClelland of the Forsyth County State Court, together have co-chaired the Judicial Council's COVID19 Task Force I appointed last May. Since then, they have been working diligently on the particulars of getting our courts fully (and safely) operational during – and after – the pandemic.

These two leaders have marshalled the resources of all the judges appointed to the task force and divided them into subcommittees to address various concerns. They brought in clerks, civil and criminal lawyers, public health experts, and others as advisors. Among them was Dr. Mark Swancutt, a physician with the Fulton County Board of Health, who has been invaluable in his wise counsel. Together these professionals – all volunteers – have created guidelines for how courts must operate to safely resume inperson proceedings, including jury trials. They started with one question: How do we keep everybody safe?

The plans that courts must have in place prior to resuming jury trials cover everything: where people park, how they walk into the building, how to line up to go through security, ride the elevators, walk through the halls, visit restrooms. On the day of a trial, court will look different than it has in the past. Protocols include pre-screening for health risks of all parties, temperature checks, use of masks, social distancing, plexiglass barriers, touch-free evidence technology, constant surface cleaning, and the reconfiguration of courtrooms and jury spaces to ensure social distancing.

You may see spectators in one courtroom, and participants in another. All so that we can accommodate social distancing. In some cases, court will be held in a different building altogether. These changes are well underway across the state.

We are of course hopeful that the widespread vaccination of citizens will help end this pandemic. But we are not there yet. Even when that day comes, our courts will face a huge challenge, one for which we will need your help.

We have gone essentially one year without jury trials.

Although judges across the state have worked hard to keep their jail populations down, there still remains a large number of inmates sitting in jail waiting for their cases to be heard. And although we now have lifted the suspension on jury trials, it could take up to two – possibly three – years for us to dig out of this backlog. Not only will we have significantly more cases, but the process of moving them through the system at least initially will go more slowly due to all the safety protocols. As we resume jury trials, if we're only able to move at a third of the pace, we will be relieving some of the pressure, but the backlog will continue to grow.

Fulton County has the largest court system in the state. In a 10-month period, the number of people in jail without being indicted grew from 230 to roughly 1400. At the same time, of the 40 courtrooms normally used by the Fulton County trial courts, only two are large

enough to hold an array of prospective jurors, while accounting for social distancing and other public health precautions.

Throughout the pandemic, we have suspended the statutory speedy trial deadlines as part of our Statewide Judicial Emergency. But once the governor ends his Statewide Public Health Emergency, by law the judicial emergency must end soon.

Under Georgia statutory law, if a defendant files a speedy trial demand, the court has only a few terms of court to try that person. And if it fails to meet that deadline, the defendant is automatically acquitted and released. Fulton County and other large counties have terms of court that are only two months long. Imagine what would happen in Fulton County if those 1400 inmates – when indicted – all filed speedy trial demands. The avalanche of demands would overwhelm the court system and a sizable number of defendants would be acquitted and released without trial. We realize the burden of having defendants waiting longer for trial while being held in jail. But we need to have a system that actually determines whether people who have been charged and indicted with a crime are guilty or innocent before allowing them to walk free.

So we need your help to avert this crisis.

We are so very grateful to the Georgia General Assembly for your support thus far of Senate Bill 163. This legislation would allow trial courts in some counties to continue to suspend statutory speedy trial deadlines until the deadlines reasonably could be met. Constitutional speedy trial rights are not affected, and this legislation has a sunset date. So it is targeted to allow us to get through this backlog. This legislation is of the highest priority to the Judicial Council and Georgia's superior and state courts.

We have proposed other legislation that will help speed up our handling of the backlog. All these legislative proposals are supported by the Judicial Council. We appreciate the amount of consideration you have given to them.

I've mentioned our courts have had to pivot and change, like so many businesses in our society. Probably the biggest change in how the courts operate today has come through the use of technology. And many of our judges have surprised even themselves by how proficient they have become.

In every Judicial Emergency order I have signed, we have encouraged courts to switch from in-person court proceedings to videoconferencing wherever legally and practicably possible. Many of our courts rose to the occasion and seemed able to turn on a dime.

As president of the Council of Superior Court Judges, Chief Judge Brian Amero of Henry County pushed for the immediate acquisition of Webex licenses so superior court judges around the state could increase their use of videoconferencing. Today, 238 licenses are now

in use by judges all over Georgia.

Under Chief Judge Brasher, the Fulton County courts have built a huge infrastructure around the county using Zoom. With more than a dozen Zoom stations at the Fulton County Jail, judges can conduct arraignments and plea hearings without having to transport defendants. Pre-COVID, the county was bussing 200 inmates a day to the courthouse, involving an enormous security undertaking. Today, they transport an average of less than 12 a day.

I believe this is one of the types of changes that may become permanent. We have learned a great deal during this pandemic. And we need to continue using some of the things we have learned to make us better and more efficient. There are other types of hearings I believe we will continue to conduct virtually. We've learned that it probably doesn't make sense to require an attorney to drive from Savannah to Atlanta for a 15-minute status conference for a judge to simply ask, "Hey, how are we looking? When will you be ready for trial?" The client shouldn't have to pay for that. That hearing easily could be conducted virtually.

One of the many heroes during this pandemic has been Chief Judge Rob Leonard of the Cobb Judicial Circuit. As chair of the COVID-19 Task Force's Technology Committee, he has led the judiciary on technology matters, and helped many wary judges to become more technologically savvy. Judge Leonard took it upon himself to create a library of video tutorials to help judges learn how to do Zoom and other virtual proceedings. He's made use of the technology understandable and accessible, and we are very grateful to him.

I want to mention a few more judges for their dedication, leadership, and creativity:

Newton County's Probate Court Judge and Chief Magistrate Judge Melanie Bell, a member of our COVID-19 Task Force, became sick with the virus early in the pandemic – so sick she spent four days in the hospital. But she recovered and has since become a beacon of hope and vigilance for the judiciary, stressing that this crisis has brought Georgia's judges together in collaboration as never before.

After his son contracted COVID-19, Cobb County Superior Court Judge Tain Kell conducted virtual hearings from a makeshift courtroom in his bedroom, complete with an American flag.

Under the leadership of Judge Dale "Bubba" Samuels of Monroe and Judge Willie Weaver of Albany, the Council of Municipal Court Judges early on developed Best Practices & Guidelines for operating Municipal Courts to ensure the safety of the public and court staff coming into the courthouse.

Chief Judge Norman Cuadra of the Suwanee Municipal Court has lost three family

members to COVID, yet continues to stand out as a leader on the COVID-19 Task Force in working with interpreters and court reporters.

Chief Judge Asha Jackson of the DeKalb County Superior Court has been an innovative force on the COVID-19 Task Force and the judiciary as a whole. She recognized early-on the importance of improving ventilation in the courtrooms and made that a priority for change.

This pandemic has had some unexpected consequences within the criminal justice system, beyond how courts are adapting. One of the effects of the pandemic has been an increase in mental health problems, drug abuse, and suicide – among both those who come before our courts, and those who work in the judiciary.

People with mental illness or substance abuse or both are already considered a vulnerable population. They have needs which are typically unmet and which drive up their risk for criminal activity or suicide. With the pandemic, many therapy and group support meetings have shut down, and the isolation and lack of interaction have contributed to the problems.

Yet in Georgia, our accountability or specialty courts – drug courts, mental health courts, and others – are thriving. The work of the professionals and judges in these courts has been unwavering throughout this past year. I have been amazed at their dedication and perseverance as they have stepped up to go the extra mile. Accountability court team members have maintained critical contact with program participants, by visiting their homes not only to confirm that they are staying away from drugs and alcohol, but also to ask how they're doing and whether there's anything they need. The courts have helped keep participants connected by setting up treatment groups who can meet virtually and by conducting Zoom status hearings with judges. The participants know that the judges and staff are invested in them because they meet with them virtually every week for a minimum of 18 months.

Some judges have begun returning to in-person group therapy sessions, using masks and alternative sites, including the outdoors when the weather has been good. Superior Court Judge Stephen Kelley of the Brunswick Judicial Circuit has been holding felony drug court in a gymnasium.

Georgia now has 169 accountability courts. That's up from 72 in 2011. Chief Judge Kathlene Gosselin of the Northeastern Judicial Circuit has been a solidifying voice as leader of the Council of Accountability Court Judges in continuing to further the development of Georgia's specialty courts. Even during a pandemic, six new accountability courts are preparing to begin operations in the next year.

Georgia's accountability courts help fuel our economy. Each graduate has a positive economic impact of $22,129 based on the amount of money saved from avoiding sending

that person to prison, as well as other avoided costs. If you take that $22,129 and apply it to the 1,841participants who graduated last year, that's more than $40 million in positive economic impact to the state of Georgia.

We appreciate the support you continue to give these courts.

We have also realized during the last year the psychological impact this virus has had on an already stressful legal profession. In October 2020, we lost an assistant district attorney in Columbus, Georgia to suicide. I don't know what role COVID played in that. But a recent academic study supported an association between several COVID-related experiences and suicidal ideation and attempts. These findings underscored the need for access to mental health services during the pandemic. We know from research that connectedness to others has been identified as an important protective factor in preventing death by suicide. Throughout the pandemic, we in the legal community have been working to foster connectivity among its members and raise the awareness of available services.

On April 30, 2021, the Chief Justice's Commission on Professionalism, under the leadership of Karlise Grier, will hold a Suicide Awareness Program. We want to make the case statewide that death by suicide is preventable. We want to assure members of the legal community that it is OK to ask for help.

I began talking to you today about justice and the rule of law, and I wish to conclude on that topic. In this past year, our world has been rocked by a pandemic. My friend, Chief Judge Ben Studdard of the Henry County State Court, believes history will call 2020, "The Year of the Pandemic." But he also believes 2020 may go down as, "The Year of the Call for Justice." I like to think that we are in a historic time of opportunity and reconciliation. I have often said that at the bottom of the social unease we are experiencing now is an insistence on the rule of law. That's what we are all asking for. That is the true promise of our judicial system.

Both the pandemic and the social unrest of this past year call for an even greater fidelity to the rule of law. Not less. But more. My friends, I believe that every major growth spurt in our nation's history, moving us closer to the promise of liberty and justice for all, has only come after some degree of strife and turmoil.

What gets us to the next level is when people of goodwill do the necessary soul searching, and put in the hard work that it takes.

I believe that a year from now, when my successor delivers the next State of the Judiciary address in this hallowed hall, life will be different. We can only speculate about what will return to the way it was, and what will not. But I am sure of one thing. Regardless of what is in the wind on that day, Georgia's judiciary will remain steady and fully committed to the rule of law. That will not change.

It has been one of the greatest privileges of my life to serve the last 16 years as a justice on the state's highest court. In preparation for my departure from the Court on July 1, last week, my colleagues voted unanimously to name Presiding Justice David Nahmias your next Chief Justice. Justice Michael Boggs will succeed him as Presiding Justice. There are no two more able. Our State is extremely fortunate to have them in those roles.

A reporter recently asked me what I will miss most when I step down from the bench. I did not hesitate to answer: the people – my colleagues, our court staff, the judges I've gotten to know. And I'll miss you – the many legislators whom I've worked with over the years.

It has been such an honor. Thank you for that honor. May God bless you and your families. And may God bless the great state of Georgia.

Representative Burns of the 159th moved that the Joint Session be hereby dissolved.

The motion prevailed, and the Speaker of the House announced the Joint Session dissolved.

Pursuant to the provisions of a previously adopted motion, the Senate stood adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 17, 2021.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, March 17, 2021
Thirty-fourth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

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**GEOFF DUNCAN**
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March 16, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Ben Watson** to serve as an **Ex-Officio for the Senate Government Oversight meeting today at 8am.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 724. By Representatives Allen of the 40th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Reeves of the 34th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Bruce of the 61st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Cobb County, approved June 19, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, Ex. Sess., p. 2075), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 2, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3620), so as to change the provisions relating to the compensation of the chairperson and the other commissioners of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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HB 742. By Representatives Dubnik of the 29th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Hawkins of the 27th and Barr of the 103rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to continue the existence of the Gainesville City School District as an independent school system; to provide for powers of the board of education; to provide for number of members, districts, elections, qualifications of members, organization, and compensation of the board of education; to provide for the position of superintendent; to provide for related matters; to repeal and reserve provisions of a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 297. By Senators Miller of the 49th and Hatchett of the 50th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a method of compensating the members of the board of education of Hall County, approved February 25, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 3504), as amended, so as to revise such compensation; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 298. By Senators Miller of the 49th and Hatchett of the 50th:

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change the provisions of law concerning the expense allowance received by the chairperson and members of the Board of Commissioners of Hall County; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 299. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Anavitarte of the 31st and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 46 of the O.C.G.A., relating to generation and distribution of electricity generally, so as to change certain provisions relating to "The Georgia Cogeneration and Distributed Generation Act of 2001" and the "Solar Power Free-Market Financing Act of 2015"; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SR 264. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Navy Lieutenant Commander Hugh Lester Campbell and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 265. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Harrell of the 40th, Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st and Au of the 48th:

A RESOLUTION urging the Congress of the United States to abolish the practice of involuntary sterilization of women in custody of the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 267. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Merritt of the 9th, Jackson of the 41st and Au of the 48th:

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The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 316 | Do Pass | HB 346 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 370 | Do Pass | HB 567 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Insurance and Labor has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 146 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 205 | Do Pass |
| HB 241 | Do Pass | HB 509 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burke of the 11th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 154 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 258 | Do Pass |
| HB 470 | Do Pass | HB 548 | Do Pass |
| HB 553 | Do Pass by substitute | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 43 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 631 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the

following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 392 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Special Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 97 Do Pass
HB 354 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Jordan of the 6th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 705 Do Pass
HB 707 Do Pass
SB 294 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

HB 44 HB 114 HB 130 HB 459 HB 465 HB 488

HB 511 HB 593 HR 204

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Parent of the 42nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Parent was excused.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that Senator Payne of the 54th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Payne was excused.

Senator Summers of the 13th asked unanimous consent that Senator Thompson of the 14th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Thompson was excused.

Senator Burns of the 23rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Walker III of the 20th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Walker III was excused.

Senator Harbison of the 15th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jackson of the 2nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jackson was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Goodman | Kirkpatrick |
| Anavitarte | Halpern | McNeill |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Miller |
| Au | Harper | Mullis |
| Beach | Harrell | Orrock |
| Brass | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Burke | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, K. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Tillery |
| Dugan | Jordan | Tippins |
| Ginn | Kennedy | Watson |
| Gooch | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| James (Excused) | Parent (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Thompson (Excused) | Walker III (Excused) | Lucas |
| Payne | | |

Due to a clerical error, Senator Payne should have been recorded as excused rather than not voting on the morning roll call.

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

Senators: Lucas of the 26th

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Keith Cox of Clarkesville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Orrock of the 36th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Rasean Hodge, M.D., who addressed the Senate briefly.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 259. By Senator James of the 35th:

A RESOLUTION commending The First Annual Yoruba Cultural Day Virtual Celebration in Georgia on March 27, 2021; and for other purposes.

SR 260. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Brass of the 28th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and honoring Mr. Elmore "Mo" Callaway Thrash Jr. upon his 50th year of lobbying at the Georgia State Capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 261. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and Dugan of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of William "Bill" Ercolini; and for other purposes.

SR 262. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Thompson of the 14th, Miller of the 49th, Payne of the 54th and Dugan of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the graduation of the first certified cohort of high school apprentices trained in accordance with the German model of apprenticeship; and for other purposes.

SR 263. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Kennedy of the 18th, Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Warner Robins High School football team for winning the Warner Robins City Championship, the Region 1 5A Championship, and the GHSA 5A State Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 266. By Senators Rahman of the 5th and Harrell of the 40th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ali Hossain for his outstanding civic engagement and commitment to community service to the Bangladeshi Americans living in Georgia; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Wednesday March 17, 2021
Thirty-fourth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 294 Parent of the 42nd
Harrell of the 40th
**CHAMBLEE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Chamblee, approved March 28, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 976), as amended, so as to change the election districts to provide for four council districts and one at-large district; to provide for terms of office; to define the boundaries of the four numbered districts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 705 Walker III of the 20th
**BLECKLEY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the Probate Court of Bleckley County to charge a technology fee; to specify the uses to which said technology fee may be assigned; to provide for the termination of said technology fee and dedication of residual funds to

technology uses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 707 Burke of the 11th
**COOLIDGE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Coolidge; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/17/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on the Local Consent Calendar. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Burke of the 11th

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 63, which was on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 17; the motion prevailed, and HB 63 was engrossed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021
THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 208 State holidays; second Wednesday of February of each year as National Swearing-in Day in Georgia; provide (VM&HS-53rd) Cheokas-138th

HB 63 Alternative ad valorem tax; motor vehicles; revise definition of fair market value (FIN-51st) Blackmon-146th

HB 112 Torts; provide certain immunities from liability claims regarding COVID-19; extend applicability for one year (JUDY-17th) Kelley-16th

HB 169 Motor vehicles; commercial driver's license; provide requirements for issuance (PUB SAF-56th) Corbett-174th

HB 207 Motor vehicles; electronic submission of certain documentation required of manufacturers, distributors, dealers, secondary metals recyclers, used motor vehicle parts dealers, and scrap metal processors by the Department of Revenue; provide (Substitute)(PUB SAF-56th) Corbett-174th

HB 497 Code Revision Commission; revise, modernize and correct errors or omissions (JUDY-17th) Efstration-104th

HB 693 Motor vehicles; operation of farm tractors on interstate highways; prohibit (AG&CA-24th) Meeks-178th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 208. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Jasperse of the 11th, Erwin of the 28th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to provide that the second Wednesday of February of each year shall be designated as "National Swearing-in Day" in Georgia; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Mullis of the 53rd.

Senators McNeill of the 3rd and Mullis of the 53rd offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 208 (LC 47 0790S) by deleting lines 23 & 24 and inserting the following: "Navy, Marines, Coast Guard, Air Force, Army National Guard, and Air National Guard) of our national defense."

Senator Brass of the 28th offered the following amendment #1A:

Amend amendment #1 to HB 208 by add "Merchant Marines" after "National Guard") on line 5

On the adoption of the amendment #1A, there were no objections, and the Brass amendment #1A to amendment #1 was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the McNeill amendment #1 was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | E Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 208, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

HB 63. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Corbett of the 174th, Smith of the 133rd, Ridley of the 6th, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5C of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alternative ad valorem tax on motor vehicles, so as to revise the definition of fair market value of the motor vehicle to exclude certain interest and financing charges for leased motor vehicles; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

HB 63, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 112. By Representatives Kelley of the 16th, Cooper of the 43rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Newton of the 123rd, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act relating to torts to provide certain immunities from liability claims regarding COVID-19, approved August 5, 2020, (Ga L. 2020, p. 798), so as to extend applicability for one year; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

Senators Jordan of the 6th, Butler of the 55th, Merritt of the 9th, and Au of the 48th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 112 by striking line 13 and inserting the following that revises Code Section 34-9-280:

"34-9-280. As used in this article, the term:
(1) 'COVID-19' means severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), and any mutation or viral fragments thereof, or and disease or condition caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), which were the subject of the public health state of emergency declared by the Governor on March 14, 2020.
~~(1)~~(2) 'Disablement' means the event of an employee becoming actually disabled to work, as provided in Code Sections 34-9-261, 34-9-262, and 34-9-263, because of occupational disease.
(3) 'Essential worker' means an employee who cannot perform his or her work remotely.
~~(2)~~(4) 'Occupational disease' means those disease which arise out of and in the course of the particular trade, occupation, process, or employment in which the employee is exposed to such disease, provided the employee or the employee's dependents first prove to the satisfaction of the State Board of Workers' Compensation all of the following:
(A) A direct causal connection between the conditions under which the work is performed and the disease;
(B) That the disease followed as a natural incident of exposure by reason of the employment;
(C) That the disease is not of a character to which the employee may have had substantial exposure outside of the employment;
(D) That the disease is not an ordinary disease of life to which the general public is exposed; notwithstanding Code Section 51-16-5, for claims relating to incidents of exposure occurring on or after March 14, 2020, but prior to July 1, 2022, COVID-19 shall not be considered an ordinary disease of life for an essential worker nor a disease to the essential worker may have had substantial exposure outside of employment, if contracted within 14 calendar days of performing work for the employer;

and
(E) That the disease must appear to have had its origin in a risk connected with the employment and to have flowed from that source as a natural consequence. For the purposes of this paragraph, partial loss of hearing due to noise shall not be considered an occupational disease. Psychiatric and psychological problems and heart and vascular diseases shall not be considered occupational diseases, except where they arise from a separate occupational disease."

**SECTION 2.**
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Dolezal of the 27th, Gooch of the 51, and Kennedy of the 18th offered the following amendment #2:

*Amend HB 112 by inserting after* "year;" *on line 3 the following:*
to amend Code Section 51-16-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to rebuttable presumption of assumption of risk, so as to revise gross negligence provisions;

*By inserting between lines 11 and 12 the following:*
**SECTION 1A.**
Code Section 51-16-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to rebuttable presumption of assumption of risk, is amended by revising the introductory paragraph and paragraph (1) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) ~~Except for gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, reckless infliction of harm, or intentional infliction of harm, in~~ In an action involving a COVID-19 liability claim against an individual or entity for transmission, infection, exposure, or potential exposure of COVID-19 to a claimant on the premises of such individual or entity, there shall be a rebuttable presumption of assumption of the risk by the claimant when:

(1) Any receipt or proof of purchase for entry, including but not limited to an electronic or paper ticket or wristband, issued to a claimant by the individual or entity for entry or attendance, includes a statement in at least ten-point Arial font placed apart from any other text, stating the following warning:

'Any person entering the premises waives all civil liability against this premises owner and operator for any injuries caused by the inherent risk associated with contracting COVID-19 at public gatherings~~, except for gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, reckless infliction of harm, or intentional infliction of harm,~~ (1) by the individual or entity of the premises.'; or"

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Strickland of the 17th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | E Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 19, nays 34, and the amendment was lost.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Strickland of the 17th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |

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| N Brass | E Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the yeas were 13, nays 40, and the amendment was lost.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 36, nays 17.

HB 112, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 169. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Momtahan of the 17th, Pirkle of the 155th, Watson of the 172nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-147 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirements for issuance of commercial driver's license or instruction permit, administration of skills test by third party, waiver or exemption, and disqualification and notice, so as to provide for requirements for issuance of a commercial driver's license; to revise the length of validity of a commercial driver's instruction permit; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 4.

HB 169, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 207. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd and Rhodes of the 120th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for electronic submission of certain documentation required of manufacturers, distributors, dealers, secondary metals recyclers, used motor vehicle parts dealers, and scrap metal processors by the Department of Revenue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to HB 207:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for electronic submission of certain documentation required of owners, manufacturers, distributors, dealers, secondary metals recyclers, used motor vehicle parts dealers, scrap metal processors, towing and storage firms, repair facilities, and salvage dealers by the Department of Revenue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, in Code Section 40-2-38, relating to registration and licensing of manufacturers, distributors, and dealers and issuance of manufacturer, distributor, and dealer plates, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(a)(1) Manufacturers, distributors, and dealers engaged in the manufacture, sale, or leasing of vehicles required to be registered under Code Section 40-2-20 shall register by electronic means with the commissioner, making application for a distinguishing dealer's number, specifying the name and make of motor vehicle, tractor, or trailer manufactured, sold, or leased by them, upon forms prepared by the commissioner for such purposes, and pay therefor a fee of $62.00, which shall accompany such application. Upon payment of such fee by a dealer, the commissioner shall furnish to the dealer one master number plate to expire each year in accordance with subsection (f) of this Code section, to be known as a dealer's number and to be distinguished from the number plates provided for in this chapter by different and distinguishing colors to be determined by the commissioner. The dealer plate for a franchise motor

vehicle dealer shall be distinguishable from the dealer plate for a used car dealer and from the dealer plate for a motor vehicle wholesaler. A dealer's number plate is for the purpose of demonstrating or transporting dealer's vehicles or trailers for sale or lease. Persons engaged in the business of transporting vehicles for a dealer under a vehicle's own power shall be permitted to use such dealer's plate for the purpose of transporting a vehicle."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-3-36, relating to cancellation of certificate of title for scrap, dismantled, or demolished vehicles or trailers; salvage certificate of title; administrative enforcement; and removal of license plates, by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a), subparagraphs (a)(3)(A) through (a)(3)(C), subparagraph (a)(4)(C), and subsection (b) as follows:

"(a)(1) Any registered owner or authorized agent of a registered owner who in any manner sells or disposes of any vehicle, including a trailer, as scrap metal or parts only or a secondary metals recycler, used motor vehicle parts dealer, or scrap metal processor who scraps, dismantles, or demolishes a vehicle shall within 72 hours ~~mail or deliver~~ cancel the certificate of title ~~to the commissioner for cancellation~~ by electronic means in a manner designated by the department and securely destroy the certificate of title."

"(3)(A) The secondary metals recycler, used motor vehicle parts dealer, or scrap metal processor shall ~~mail or otherwise~~ deliver the statement required under paragraph (2) of this subsection to the department within 72 hours of the completion of the transaction by electronic means in a manner designated by the department, requesting that the department cancel the Georgia certificate of title and registration.

(B) ~~Notwithstanding the requirement to mail or otherwise deliver the statement required under paragraph (2) of this subsection to the department, the department shall provide a mechanism for the receipt of the information required to be obtained in the statement by electronic means, at no cost to the secondary metals recycler, used motor vehicle parts dealer, or scrap metal processor, in lieu of the physical delivery of the statement, in which case the~~ The secondary metals recycler, used motor vehicle parts dealer, or scrap metal processor shall maintain the original statement for a period of not less than two years.

(C) Within 48 hours of each day's close of business, the secondary metals recycler, used motor vehicle parts dealer, or scrap metal processor who purchases or receives motor vehicles for scrap or for parts shall deliver ~~in a format approved by the department, either by facsimile or by other~~ by electronic means ~~to be made available by the department by January 1, 2012~~, a list of all such vehicles purchased that day for scrap or for parts. That list shall contain the following information:

(i) The name, address, and contact information for the reporting entity;

(ii) The vehicle identification numbers of such vehicles;

(iii) The dates such vehicles were obtained;

(iv) The names of the individuals or entities from whom the vehicles were

obtained, for use by law enforcement personnel and appropriate governmental agencies only;

(v) A statement of whether the vehicles were, or will be, crushed or disposed of, or offered for sale or other purposes;

(vi) A statement of whether the vehicle is intended for export out of the United States; and

(vii) The National Motor Vehicle Title Information System identification number of the business acquiring the vehicle.

There shall be no charge to a secondary metals recycler, used motor vehicle parts dealer, or scrap metal processor associated with providing this information to the department."

"(C)(i) Any insurance company which acquires a damaged motor vehicle by virtue of having paid a total loss claim shall ~~mail or~~ deliver by electronic means the certificate of title to the commissioner for cancellation. If an insurance company or its authorized agent, including, but not limited to, a salvage dealer as such term is defined in Code Section 40-11-13, is unable to obtain a certificate of title within 30 days after acceptance by the motor vehicle owner of a total loss claim, the insurance company or its authorized agent may apply to the department for a salvage certificate of title on a form provided by the department for such purpose. Such application shall require submission by electronic means of evidence that the insurance company or its authorized agent has fulfilled the settlement through payment of a total loss claim and has made two or more written or other verifiable forms of communication with the owner in order to obtain such owner's certificate of title. Any such application made by a salvage dealer shall also include written documentation of support that an insurance company has transferred all its claims or rights to such vehicle to the salvage dealer. Any salvage certificate of title issued by the department pursuant to this subdivision shall comply with any applicable requirements relating to salvage, rebuilt, or restored certificates of title in this Code section and Code Section 40-3-37.

(ii) In every case in which a total loss claim is paid and the insurance company does not acquire such damaged motor vehicle, the insurance company paying such total loss claim, the vehicle owner, and the lienholder or security interest holder, as applicable, shall take the following steps to secure a salvage certificate of title for such motor vehicle:

(I) If the vehicle owner is in possession of the certificate of title, the owner shall deliver the certificate of title to the insurance company prior to any payment of the claim, and the insurance company shall ~~mail or~~ deliver by electronic means the certificate of title, an application for a salvage certificate of title, and the form provided by the commissioner for issuance of a salvage certificate of title;

(II) If the certificate of title has been lost, destroyed, or misplaced, the vehicle owner shall, prior to payment of the claim on such vehicle, complete an application for a replacement title on the form provided by the commissioner and deliver such application and form to the insurance company and the insurance

company shall ~~mail or~~ deliver by electronic means such application and form to the commissioner for issuance of a replacement original title marked salvage;

(III) If the lienholder or security interest holder has possession of the certificate of title, the vehicle owner shall complete an application for a replacement title on a form provided by the commissioner and shall deliver the completed form to the insurance company prior to the payment of the claim; the insurance company shall thereafter ~~mail or~~ deliver by electronic means the application to the commissioner with notice of the payment of the total loss claim and the name and address of the lienholder or security interest holder in possession of the title. The commissioner shall mail notice to the lienholder or security interest holder that a total loss claim has been paid on the vehicle and that the title to such vehicle has been canceled, and the commissioner shall provide to the lienholder or security interest holder a salvage certificate of title for such vehicle, provided that the validity of the security interest shall not be affected by issuance of a salvage certificate of title. The lienholder or security interest holder shall, within ten days after receipt of such notice of total loss claim and cancellation of the original certificate of title, ~~mail or~~ deliver by electronic means the canceled original certificate of title to the commissioner; or

(IV) For the sole purpose of payment of a total loss claim, for any vehicle ten years of age or older for which neither the vehicle owner nor the lienholder or security interest holder, if any, possesses a certificate of title, the vehicle owner shall deliver the vehicle license plate and certificate of registration for such vehicle to the insurance company prior to payment of any claim and the insurance company shall mail or deliver the license plate and deliver by electronic means the certificate of registration to the commissioner with a completed form provided by the commissioner; provided, however, that the vehicle owner shall not operate such vehicle and the owner shall obtain a certificate of title for such vehicle as provided by law, which certificate of title shall then be subject to cancellation as provided in this paragraph."

"(b) Except as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section, any person, firm, or corporation which purchases or otherwise acquires a salvage motor vehicle shall apply to the commissioner by electronic means for a salvage certificate of title for such motor vehicle within 30 days of the purchase or acquisition of the motor vehicle or within 30 days of the payment of a total loss claim as provided in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section to the registered owner of the salvage motor vehicle, if the person, firm, or corporation intends to operate or to sell, convey, or transfer the motor vehicle; and no such person, firm, or corporation shall sell, transfer, or convey a salvage motor vehicle until such person, firm, or corporation has applied for and obtained a salvage certificate of title."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 40-11-19.2, relating to public sale authorized upon court order, procedure following satisfaction of lien, and disposition of

excess proceeds, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) After satisfaction of the lien, the towing and storage firm, repair facility, or salvage dealer selling such motor vehicle shall, not later than 15 days after the date of such sale, provide the Department of Revenue ~~with~~ by electronic means a copy of the bill of sale as provided to the purchaser and turn the remaining proceeds of such sale, if any, over to the department to be treated as unclaimed property pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 12 of Title 44, the 'Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act.' The towing and storage firm, repair facility, or salvage dealer selling such vehicle may deduct from such proceeds the cost incurred by the advertisement of the public sale, provided that such amount is no greater than $120.00, and the cost incurred by the holding of the public sale, provided that the cost is no greater than $200.00. Any deduction so made shall be evidenced by receipts or on a form prescribed by the Department of Revenue for such purpose through rule and regulation. Any person convicted of failing to comply with the requirements of this subsection shall be subject to a civil penalty as provided for in Article 5 of Chapter 12 of Title 44."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

HB 207, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 497. By Representative Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, so as to revise, modernize, correct errors or omissions in, and reenact the statutory portion of said Code, as amended, in furtherance of the work of the Code Revision Commission; to repeal portions of said Code, or Acts in amendment thereof, which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional, or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent laws; to codify principles of law derived from decisions of the state Supreme Court; to provide for other matters relating to revision, reenactment, and publication of said Code; to provide for effect in event of conflicts; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

HB 497, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 693. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, Bentley of the 139th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1B of Article 13 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to operation of farm use vehicle, so as to prohibit operation of farm tractors on interstate highways; to provide for an exception; to provide for operation of farm tractors on state and local roadways; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Anderson of the 24th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 2.

HB 693, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 18, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:37 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, March 18, 2021
Thirty-fifth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House and Senate:

HB 703. By Representative Mathis of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Bleckley County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 704. By Representative Mathis of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of chief judge of the Magistrate Court of Bleckley County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for the sitting chief judge of the magistrate court to serve out his or her term of office; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 88. By Senators Goodman of the 8th, Jackson of the 2nd, Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Burns of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide that the Georgia Teacher of the Year shall be invited to serve as an advisor ex officio to the State Board of Education; to provide for a nontraditional teacher certification program for members and veterans of the United States armed forces; to provide for the Professional Standards Commission to require that teacher education programs include mandatory coursework in differentiated

instruction and reading fundamentals and to promote increased student enrollment in and completion of teacher education programs offered at historically black colleges and universities in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 140. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Harbison of the 15th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state flag, seal, and other symbols, so as to provide for placement of a monument in honor of the Honorable Zell Bryan Miller upon the capitol grounds of the state capitol building; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 182. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Harper of the 7th and Anderson of the 24th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to define the term "fence detection system"; to limit the ability of counties, consolidated governments, and municipalities to regulate or prohibit such systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 43. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, so as to provide that certain actions by health care insurers offering eye care benefit plans constitute unfair trade practices; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 300. By Senator Hickman of the 4th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of commissioners for Tattnall County, approved August 18, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 674), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4730), so as to change certain provisions relating to compensation and expense supplements of the chairperson and members of the board of commissioners; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 301. By Senator Dugan of the 30th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Carrollton, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 703. By Representative Mathis of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Bleckley County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 704. By Representative Mathis of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of chief judge of the Magistrate Court of Bleckley County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for the sitting chief judge of the magistrate court to serve out his or her term of office; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Economic Development and Tourism has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 342 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Thompson of the 14th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 287 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 282 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 451 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 498 | Do Pass | HB 611 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 141 Do Pass by substitute
HB 307 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 371 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 479 | Do Pass |
| HB 534 | Do Pass | HB 562 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HR 183 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator McNeill of the 3rd District, Vice-Chair

Mr. President,

The Committee on Retirement has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 173 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Robertson of the 29th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SR 190 | Do Pass |
| SR 201 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 682 | Do Pass | HB 683 | Do Pass |
| HB 685 | Do Pass | SB 286 | Do Pass |
| SB 292 | Do Pass | SB 293 | Do Pass |
| SB 295 | Do Pass | SB 296 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 43 | HB 97 | HB 146 | HB 154 | HB 205 | HB 241 |
| HB 258 | HB 316 | HB 346 | HB 354 | HB 370 | HB 392 |
| HB 470 | HB 509 | HB 548 | HB 553 | HB 567 | HB 631 |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tippins of the 37th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tippins was excused.

Senator Hickman of the 4th asked unanimous consent that Senator McNeill of the 3rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator McNeill was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Halpern | Miller |
| Anavitarte | Harbin | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harbison | Parent |
| Au | Harper | Payne |
| Beach | Harrell | Rahman |
| Brass | Hatchett | Rhett |

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| Burke | Hickman | Robertson |
| Burns | Hufstetler | Seay |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, B. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jones, E. | Summers |
| Dolezal | Jones, H. | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Ginn | Kirkpatrick | Walker |
| Gooch | Merritt | Watson |
| Goodman | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| James (Excused) | McNeill (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Tippins (Excused) | Anderson, T. | Cowsert |
| Jackson, K. | Jordan | Lucas |
| Orrock | | |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

Senators: Cowsert of the 46th Orrock of the 36th

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Thompson of the 14th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. Kelvin Cochran of Atlanta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Harrell of the 40th asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Orrock of the 36th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Victor Leslie, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 268. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Harper of the 7th, Cowsert of the 46th, Dolezal of the 27th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Colonial Group Inc.; and for other purposes.

SR 269. By Senators Hickman of the 4th, Albers of the 56th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan

of the 30th and Gooch of the 51st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jim Martin; and for other purposes.

SR 270. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Jones II of the 22nd, Davenport of the 44th, Butler of the 55th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Judge Horace J. Johnson Jr.; and for other purposes.

SR 271. By Senator Dugan of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Coach Elizabeth Sanders; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Thursday March 18, 2021
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(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 286 Strickland of the 17th
Jones of the 10th
**HENRY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act amending and restating an Act known as the "Henry County Development Authority Act," approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5046), as amended, so as to provide for the appointment of a sixth member of the authority appointed by the chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of Henry County; to revise provisions regarding quorum and majorities of the authority board; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 293 Parent of the 42nd
Butler of the 55th
Davenport of the 44th
Jackson of the 41st
Harrell of the 40th

Anderson of the 43rd
Jones of the 10th
**DEKALB COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide conditions upon the expansion of the boundaries of the City of Decatur independent school systems that are extended by annexation by the City of Decatur; to provide constitutional authority and legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 295 Gooch of the 51st
**CLEVELAND**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the City of Cleveland Building Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 296 Gooch of the 51st
**WHITE COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Commissioners of White County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for expense allowances for members of the board of commissioners; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 682 Payne of the 54th
Gooch of the 51st
**PICKENS COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of elections and registration for Pickens County, Georgia; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 683 Payne of the 54th
Gooch of the 51st
**PICKENS COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Pickens County and provide for its powers and duties approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3598), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 685 Payne of the 54th
Gooch of the 51st
**JASPER**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reincorporate and provide a new charter for the City of Jasper, Georgia; to provide for the corporate limits of the city, the powers of the city, and the form and method of government of the city; to provide for the administration of city affairs; to provide for the municipal court of the city; to provide for elections for city offices; to provide for taxation by the city; to provide for the financial management of the city; to provide for financial and fiscal affairs of the city; to provide for municipal services and regulatory functions; to provide general provisions; to provide for other matters relative thereto; to provide for specific repeal; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

**Pursuant to Article VII, Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution, the following local bill relating to homestead exemptions requires a two-thirds roll-call vote for passage:**

SB 292 Parent of the 42nd
**DECATUR**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose income does not exceed $53,000.00; to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), Senator Parent of the 42nd filed the following objection:

As provided in Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), we, the undersigned Senators, hereby file an objection to SB 293, which is on the Local Consent Calendar for today, and hereby request that it be moved to the Senate Local Contested Calendar.

/s/ Butler of the 55th
/s/ Kennedy of the 18th
/s/ Parent of the 42nd
Date: 3/18/21

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), SB 293 was removed from the Senate Local Consent Calendar and placed on the Senate Local Contested Calendar for today.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/18/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on the Local Consent Calendar. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Burke of the 11th

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Davenport of the 44th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

The following local, contested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Contested Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONTESTED CALENDAR**

Thursday March 18, 2021
Thirty-fifth Legislative Day

SB 293 Parent of the 42nd
Butler of the 55th
Davenport of the 44th
Jackson of the 41st
Harrell of the 40th
Anderson of the 43rd
Jones of the 10th
**DEKALB COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide conditions upon the expansion of the boundaries of the City of Decatur independent school systems that are extended by annexation by the City of Decatur; to provide constitutional authority and legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 10th and Butler of the 55th offered the

following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 293 (LC 47 0995) by inserting after* "Decatur;" *on line 8 the following:*
to provide for contingent repeal of provisions;

*By inserting after line 96 the following:*

(7) Paragraphs (2) through (6) of this subsection shall stand repealed on July 1, 2026, if:

(A) The City Schools of Decatur's allocation of the City of Decatur school tax does not equal at least 75 percent of the local share costs of educating those students who enroll due to annexations and cause the number of students enrolled in the City Schools of Decatur to increase by 5 percent or more from the total enrollment prior to July 1, 2021; or

(B) The DeKalb County school system's allocation of the City Schools of Decatur school tax does not equal at least 50 percent of the taxes it would have received from property annexed by the City of Decatur after July 1, 2021, if such property had remained in unincorporated DeKalb County.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, there were no objections, and the amendment was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local bill, the yeas were 48, nays 3.

SB 293, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 114, HB 271, HB 292, HB 374, HB 511, and HB 593 which were on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and HB 114, HB 271, HB 292, HB 374, HB 511, and HB 593 were engrossed.

## SENATE RULES CALENDAR
## THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021
## THIRTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 362 Environmental Protection Division; effective date for standards, rules, and

regulations; revise (NR&E-7th) Rhodes-120th

HB 511 State treasury; establishment or revision of certain Trust Funds; provide (FIN-45th) Reeves-34th

HB 593 Tax Relief Act of 2021; enact (FIN-20th) Blackmon-146th

HB 114 Income tax; adoption of foster children; revise tax credit (FIN-50th) Reeves-34th

HB 336 Agriculture; hemp farming; compliance with federal laws and regulations; provide (Substitute)(AG&CA-53rd) Corbett-174th

HB 271 Community Health, Department of; assess one or more provider matching payments on ambulance services; authorize (FIN-54th) Reeves-34th

HB 124 Funeral directors and embalmers; multiple cremation devices; provide (Substitute)(RI&U-31st) Williams-145th

HB 153 Fair Business Practices Act of 1975; solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; provide for requirements (Substitute)(AG&CA-20th) Wiedower-119th

HB 161 Local government; downtown development authorities; remove provision providing perpetual existence to such authorities (GvtO-20th) Tankersley-160th

HB 234 Self-funded Healthcare Plan Opt-in to the Surprise Billing Consumer Protection Act; enact (H&HS-52nd) Hawkins-27th

HB 292 Ad valorem tax; property; remove certain training requirements for members of county boards of equalization following their initial training for their first term (FIN-54th) Williams-148th

HB 364 Professions and businesses; exempt persons having completed Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training from required fingerprint submission for application to be licensed as a private guard, watchman, or patrolman (PUB SAF-29th) Collins-68th

HB 374 Sales and use tax; local authorities providing public water or sewer service;

exempt (FIN-47th) Gaines-117th

HB 410 Bingo; transfer regulatory authority from Georgia Bureau of Investigation to Secretary of State (RI&U-29th) Lumsden-12th

HB 488 Courts; increase minimum compensation for chief magistrates and others; provide (SLGO(G)-54th) Scoggins-14th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 362. By Representatives Rhodes of the 120th, Watson of the 172nd, LaHood of the 175th, Petrea of the 166th and LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-2-2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Environmental Protection Division, Environmental Advisory Council, duties of council and its members and director, appeal procedures generally, permit applications, and inspections, so as to revise an effective date for standards, rules, and regulations; to amend Title 27 of the O.C.G.A., relating to game and fish, so as to revise a defined term; to amend Code Section 52-7-26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to penalty regarding registration, operation, and sale of watercraft, so as to revise the effective date of rules and regulations related to penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harper of the 7th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |

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| Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 362, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/18/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 362. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Burke of the 11th

HB 511. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, England of the 116th, Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Titles 12, 19, 27, 28, 31, 40, 45, 48, and 49 of the O.C.G.A., relating to conservation and natural resources, domestic relations, game and fish, General Assembly, health, motor vehicles and traffic, public officers and employees, revenue and taxation, and social services, respectively, so as to provide for the establishment or revision of the Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund, Solid Waste Trust Fund, Hazardous Waste Trust Fund, State Children's Trust Fund, Wildlife Endowment Trust Fund, Trauma Care Network Trust Fund, Transportation Trust Fund, Georgia Agricultural Trust Fund, Fireworks Trust Fund, and Georgia Transit Trust Fund as funds within the state treasury; to dedicate the proceeds of certain fees and taxes to such funds as authorized and subject to the conditions imposed by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(r) of the Constitution of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws;

and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dixon of the 45th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 511, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/18/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 511. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Burke of the 11th

Senator Dixon of the 45th moved that HB 511 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 511 was immediately transmitted.

HB 593. By Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, Martin of the 49th, Knight of the 130th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income tax, so as to increase the amount of the standard deduction from state taxable income for individuals; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 15.

HB 593, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Walker III of the 20th moved that HB 593 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 593 was immediately transmitted.

HB 114. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Oliver of the 82nd, Bonner of the 72nd, Buckner of the 137th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to revise the tax credit for adoption of foster children; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 114, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th moved that HB 114 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 114 was immediately transmitted.

HB 336. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Dickey of the 140th, Pirkle of the 155th, Jasperse of the 11th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hemp farming, so as to provide for compliance with federal laws and regulations; to provide for history reports; to provide for disposal of lots of hemp; to provide for sampling and random testing of hemp; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Mullis of the 53rd.

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs offered the following substitute to HB 336:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hemp farming, so as to provide for compliance with federal laws and regulations; to revise a definition; to provide for history reports; to provide for surety bonds and breach and investigation of same, to provide for disposal of lots of hemp; to provide for sampling and random testing of hemp; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hemp farming, is amended in Code Section 2-23-3, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, by revising paragraph (10) as follows:

"(10)(A) 'Process' or ~~'processing'~~ 'processing,' except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, means converting an agricultural commodity into a legally marketable form.

(B) ~~This~~ Such term ~~does~~ shall not include:

(i) ~~merely~~ Merely placing raw or dried material into another container or packaging raw or dried material for resale; or

(ii) Traditional farming practices such as those commonly known as drying, shucking and bucking, storing, trimming, and curing."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 2-23-4, relating to required licenses, research by colleges and universities, and processing of other products, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, it shall be unlawful for:

(1) Any person to cultivate, handle, or process hemp in this state unless such person holds a hemp grower license or a hemp processor permit issued by the department pursuant to this chapter or is employed by a licensee or permittee;

(2) A permittee to accept hemp for processing from any person other than a licensee or a college or university authorized to conduct research pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection;

(3) A licensee to provide or sell hemp to any person other than another licensee, a college or university authorized to conduct research pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section, or a permittee with whom the licensee enters into an agreement pursuant to Code Section 2-23-7, unless such person is located in a state with a plan to regulate hemp production that is approved by the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States, or under 7 U.S.C. Section 5940, or otherwise in accordance with regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Agriculture, and such person is authorized to grow or process hemp in that state;

(4) A permittee to accept for processing any hemp grown outside of the State of Georgia, unless such hemp is grown in a state with a plan to regulate hemp production that is approved by the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or otherwise in accordance with regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Agriculture;

(5) A permittee to process hemp pursuant to a hemp processor permit outside of the State of Georgia, unless such processing occurs in a state with a plan to regulate hemp production that is approved by the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States or otherwise in accordance with regulations promulgated by the United States Department of Agriculture;

(6) Any licensee or permittee to otherwise fail to comply with the requirements of this chapter or any applicable state or federal law or regulation; ~~or~~

(7) ~~Offer~~ Any person to offer for sale at retail the unprocessed flower or leaves of the hemp plant; or

(8) Any person to cultivate or handle hemp in any structure that is used for residential purposes."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 2-23-5, relating to procedure for licensing, fees, qualified agricultural producer requirements, and limitations on licenses, as follows:

"2-23-5.

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, application for, consideration and issuance of, and revocation of hemp grower licenses issued by the department pursuant to this Code section shall be accomplished in accordance with Chapter 5 of this title, and such licenses shall otherwise be governed by such chapter. ~~No such license shall be valid unless the licensee has and maintains in effect an agreement with a permittee pursuant to Code Section 2-23-7.~~

(2) Hemp grower licenses shall be issued for one calendar year at an annual license fee of $50.00 per acre cultivated up to a maximum license fee of $5,000.00.

(b) Any person applying for a hemp grower license ~~shall be a qualified agricultural producer, as defined in Code Section 48-8-3.3, and~~ shall provide with such application to the department:

(1) A legal description and global positioning coordinates sufficient for locating fields and greenhouses to be used to cultivate and harvest hemp; and

(2) ~~Unless the licensee is also a permittee or a licensee who will only provide or sell hemp to other licensees, the name of the permittee with whom the applicant has entered into or intends to enter into an agreement pursuant to Code Section 2-23-7 and the affidavit required by Code Section 2-23-6;~~

~~(3)~~ Written consent, allowing representatives of the department, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, and other affected state and local law enforcement agencies to enter all premises where hemp is being cultivated, harvested, or handled for the purpose of conducting physical inspections and ensuring compliance with the requirements of this chapter~~; and~~.

~~(4)(A) A criminal background check, as described in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, of all key participants conducted within 60 days prior to the application submission date. No license shall be issued to any applicant who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving sale of or trafficking in a controlled substance or a felony or materially falsifies any information contained in a license application.~~

~~(B) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints of each key participant shall be submitted to the department in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The department shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the department shall review the record for all key participants.~~

(c)(1) Upon receipt of an application for a hemp grower license, the department shall conduct a criminal background check and is authorized to obtain a federal criminal history report in accordance with paragraph (2) of this subsection for an individual or, if the applicant is a business entity, all key participants seeking to obtain a hemp grower license.

(2) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints of the individual applicant or, if the applicant is a business entity, one set of classifiable electronically

recorded fingerprints of each key participant shall be submitted to the department in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The department shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the department shall review the record for all individuals or key participants, as applicable.

(3) No license shall be issued to any applicant who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving sale of or trafficking in a controlled substance or a felony or who materially falsifies any information contained in a license application.

(d)(1) No person shall be issued more than one hemp grower license, nor shall any person be permitted to have a beneficial interest in more than one hemp grower license issued under this chapter, regardless of the degree of such interest.

(2) Nothing contained in this subsection shall prohibit the reissuance of a valid hemp grower license if the license has been held by marriage prior to the creation of any of the relationships defined in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(3) For purposes of this subsection:

(A) The term 'person' shall include all members of a licensee's family and all corporations, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, and other business entities in which a licensee holds more than a 50 percent ownership interest; the term 'family' shall include any person related to the holder of the hemp grower license within the first degree of consanguinity and affinity as computed according to the canon law and who is claimed as a dependent by the licensee for income tax purposes; and

(B) The beneficiaries of a trust shall be considered to have a beneficial interest in any business forming a part of the trust estate."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 2-23-6, relating to procedure for permitting and limitations on permits and interests, as follows:

"2-23-6.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, consideration, issuance, and revocation of hemp processor permits issued by the department pursuant to this Code section shall be accomplished in accordance with Chapter 5 of this title, and such permits shall otherwise be governed by such chapter. ~~No such permit shall be valid unless the permittee has and maintains in effect an agreement with a licensee pursuant to Code Section 2-23-7.~~

(b) Any person applying for a hemp processor permit pursuant to this Code section shall provide to the department:

(1) A legal description and global positioning coordinates sufficient for locating facilities for processing hemp;

(2) ~~Affidavits of such applicant and every licensee with whom such applicant has entered into a written agreement pursuant to Code Section 2-23-7 in which both parties swear that they have entered into or intend to enter into such an agreement. Such affidavits shall be in a form to be provided by the department;~~

~~(3)~~ Written consent allowing representatives of the department, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, and other affected state and local law enforcement agencies to enter all premises where hemp is being processed or handled for the purpose of conducting physical inspections and ensuring compliance with the requirements of this chapter; and

~~(4)~~ (3) A surety bond ~~in the amount of $100,000.00 issued by a surety company authorized by law to do business in this state pursuant to a current certificate of authority to transact surety business by the Commissioner of Insurance. If any party is aggrieved or adversely affected by the permittee's failure to comply with the requirements of this chapter, the Commissioner may commence and maintain an action against the principal and surety on the bond; and~~ as described in Code Section 2-23-6.1.

~~(5)(A) A criminal background check, as described in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, of all key participants conducted within 60 days prior to the application submission date. No permit shall be issued to any applicant who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving sale of or trafficking in a controlled substance or a felony or materially falsifies any information contained in a permit application.~~

~~(B) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints of each key participant shall be submitted to the department in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The department shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the department shall review the record for all key participants.~~

(c)(1) Upon receipt of an application for a hemp processor permit, the department shall conduct a criminal background check and is authorized to obtain a federal criminal history report in accordance with paragraph (2) of this subsection for an individual or, if the applicant is a business entity, all key participants seeking to obtain a hemp processor permit.

(2) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints of the individual applicant or, if the applicant is a business entity, one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints of each key participant shall be submitted to the department in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The department shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report

and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the department shall review the record for all individuals or key participants, as applicable.

(3) No permit shall be issued to any applicant who has been convicted of a misdemeanor involving sale of or trafficking in a controlled substance or a felony or who materially falsifies any information contained in a license application.

~~(c)~~ (d) The department shall annually accept applications for hemp processor permits to be issued by the department.

~~(d)~~ (e) Hemp processor permits shall be issued for one calendar year at an annual permit fee of $25,000.00, ~~provided that after the first calendar year, a permittee shall be entitled to automatic permit renewals annually for a permit fee of $50,000.00 per year,~~ so long as no administrative action has been taken by the department regarding such permittee under this chapter.

~~(e)~~ (f) Issuance of any hemp processor permit shall be conditioned upon the permittee's compliance with Code Section 2-23-7 prior to initiating hemp processing activities.

~~(f)~~ (g) A permittee may also apply for and be issued no more than one hemp grower license.

~~(g)(1)~~ (h)(1) No person shall be issued more than one hemp processor permit, nor shall any person be permitted to have a beneficial interest in more than one hemp processor permit issued under this chapter, regardless of the degree of such interest.

(2) Nothing contained in this subsection shall prohibit the reissuance of a valid hemp processor permit if the permit has been held by marriage prior to the creation of any of the relationships defined in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(3) For purposes of this subsection:

(A) The term 'person' shall include all members of a licensee's family and all corporations, limited partnerships, limited liability companies, and other business entities in which a licensee holds more than a 50 percent ownership interest; the term 'family' shall include any person related to the holder of the hemp processor permit within the first degree of consanguinity and affinity as computed according to the canon law and who is claimed as a dependent by the licensee for income tax purposes; and

(B) The beneficiaries of a trust shall be considered to have a beneficial interest in any business forming a part of the trust estate."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"2-23-6.1.

(a) Any applicant for a hemp processor permit shall make and deliver to the Commissioner a surety bond executed by a surety corporation authorized to transact business in this state and approved by the Commissioner. Any and all bond applications shall be accompanied by a certificate of good standing issued by the Commissioner of Insurance. If any company issuing a bond shall be removed from doing business in this

state, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Insurance to notify the Commissioner within 30 days. The bond shall be in such amount as the Commissioner may determine, not exceeding an amount equal to 2 percent of the amount of hemp purchased from licensees by the permittee in the most recent calendar year; provided, however, that the minimum amount of such bond shall be $300,000.00 and the maximum amount shall be $1,000,000.00. Such bond shall be upon a form prescribed or approved by the Commissioner and shall be conditioned to secure the faithful accounting for and payment to licensees for hemp purchased by such permittee as well as to secure the permittee's compliance with the requirements of this chapter. Whenever the Commissioner shall determine that a previously approved bond has for any cause become insufficient, the Commissioner may require an additional bond or bonds to be given in compliance with this Code section. Unless the additional bond or bonds are given within the time fixed by written demand therefor, or if the bond of a permittee is canceled, the permit of such permittee shall be immediately revoked by operation of law without notice or hearing, and such permittee shall be ineligible to reapply for such permit for a period of four years after such revocation.

(b) Any person claiming that he or she has been damaged by a breach of the conditions of a bond given by a permittee may file a complaint with the Commissioner. Such complaint shall be a written statement of the facts constituting the complaint and must be made within 180 days of the alleged breach. If the Commissioner determines that the complaint is prima facie a breach of the bond, and the matter cannot be amicably resolved within 15 days of the filing of the complaint, the Commissioner shall publish a solicitation for additional complaints regarding breaches of the bond for a period of not less than five consecutive issues in such publications as the Commissioner shall prescribe. Additional complaints must be filed within 60 days following initial public notification of a breach of the bond. Civil actions on the breach of such bond shall not be commenced less than 120 days nor more than 547 days from the initial date of public notification of such breach of the bond.

(c) Upon the filing of such complaint in the manner provided in this Code section, the Commissioner shall investigate the charges made and at his or her discretion order a hearing before him or her, giving the complainant and the respondent notice of the filing of such complaint and the time and place of such hearing. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Commissioner shall report his or her findings and render his or her conclusions upon the matter complained of to the complainant and respondent in each case, who shall have 15 days thereafter in which to make effective and satisfy the Commissioner's conclusions.

(d) If such settlement is not effected within such time, the Commissioner or the licensee may bring an action to enforce the claim. If the licensee is not satisfied with the ruling of the Commissioner, he or she may commence and maintain an action against the principal and surety on the bond of the parties complained of as in any civil action.

(e) If the bond or collateral posted is insufficient to pay in full the valid claims of licensees, the Commissioner may direct that the proceeds of such bond shall be divided pro rata among such licensees."

**SECTION 6.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 2-23-7, relating to business agreements, transportation, and reimbursement for crop destruction, as follows:

"2-23-7.

(a) Every permittee shall at all times have in place written agreements with each licensee governing their business relationship. Each permittee shall provide a copy of each such agreement, and any amendments thereto, to the department within ten days of execution of each such agreement or amendment thereto.

(b)(1)(A) All hemp being shipped, transported, or otherwise delivered into, within, or through this state must be accompanied by documentation sufficient to prove that the hemp being shipped, transported, or delivered:

(i) Was lawfully produced under a state or tribal hemp plan approved by the United States Department of Agriculture, under a hemp license issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, or under 7 U.S.C. Section 5940 or otherwise in accordance with federal regulations through the state or territory of the Indian tribe, as applicable; and

(ii) Does not exceed the federally defined THC level for hemp.

(B) Any person shipping, transporting, or delivering hemp must also carry a bill of lading that includes:

(i) Name and address of the owner of the hemp;

(ii) Point of origin;

(iii) Point of delivery, including name and address;

(iv) Kind and quantity of packages or, if in bulk, the total quantity of hemp in the shipment; and

(v) Date of shipment.

(C) The person shipping, transporting, or delivering hemp must act in compliance with all state and federal laws and regulations.

(2)(A) All hemp products being shipped into or transported within or through this state must be accompanied by documentation sufficient to prove that the hemp products being shipped or transported were produced from hemp that was lawfully produced under a state or tribal hemp plan approved by the United States Department of Agriculture, under a hemp license issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, or under 7 U.S.C. Section 5940 or otherwise in accordance with federal regulations through the state or territory of the Indian tribe, as applicable.

(B) Any person transporting hemp products must also carry a bill of lading that includes:

(i) Name and address of the owner of the hemp products;

(ii) Point of origin;

(iii) Point of delivery, including name and address;

(iv) Kind and quantity of packages or, if in bulk, the total quantity of hemp products in the shipment; and

(v) Date of shipment.

(C) The person transporting hemp products must act in compliance with all state and federal laws and regulations.

(c) Until December 31, 2022, when a licensee ~~destroys~~ disposes of a ~~crop~~ lot pursuant to Code Section 2-23-8, the permittee with whom the licensee has entered into an agreement pursuant to this Code section shall reimburse the licensee for half of the amount of the combined value of the seed, fertilizer, labor costs, and any other reasonable and customary input expenses incurred with such ~~destroyed~~ disposed of ~~crop~~ lot."

**SECTION 7.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 2-23-8, relating to sampling and random testing of hemp, as follows:

"2-23-8.

(a)(1) The department shall have the right, either through its own personnel or through an independent contractor as provided for in Code Section 2-23-9, to collect samples of hemp for testing as provided for in this chapter from the fields and greenhouses of all licensees. Samples shall be representative of each ~~crop~~ lot with the same global positioning coordinates. No hemp shall be harvested until such samples are collected. Such testing, and the harvesting of the hemp tested, shall be conducted in compliance with this chapter and with regulations promulgated by the department.

(2) In the event that a test sample reveals a delta-9-THC concentration of more than the federally defined THC level for hemp, the licensee's entire ~~crop~~ lot with the same global positioning coordinates shall be ~~destroyed~~ disposed of in compliance with this chapter and with regulations promulgated by the department.

(b)(1) The department shall, as provided for in Code Section 2-23-9, randomly test hemp products of the facilities of all permittees. Such testing shall be conducted in compliance with this chapter and with regulations promulgated by the department.

(2) In the event that a test sample reveals a delta-9-THC concentration of more than the federally defined THC level for hemp, all related hemp products shall be ~~destroyed~~ disposed of in compliance with this chapter and with regulations promulgated by the department.

(3) In the event that THC is removed from hemp during processing and not subsequently returned to hemp products produced from such hemp, such THC shall be ~~destroyed~~ disposed of in compliance with this chapter and with regulations promulgated by the department."

**SECTION 8.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 9.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute

was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | E Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | E McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 45, nays 7.

HB 336, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the remaining bills on the Senate Rules Calendar be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and HB 124, HB 153, HB 161, HB 234, HB 271, HB 292, HB 364, HB 374, HB 410, and HB 488 were placed on the Table.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 1:00 p.m. Monday, March 22, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:03 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, March 22, 2021
Thirty-sixth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 1:00 p.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported a correction to be made to the Report of the Committee on Judiciary made on March 17, 2021.

Senator Strickland of the 17th was recognized to explain the correction. The Report of the Committee on Judiciary from March 17, 2021 erroneously read that "HB 154 Do Pass." The committee had actually recommended that "HB 154 Do Pass by substitute (LC 33-8766S)." Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that the Report of the Committee be corrected to accurately reflect the action taken by the committee.

There was no objection, and the consent was granted.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communications were received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

March 22, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Lester Jackson** to serve as an **Ex-Officio for the Senate Rules Committee meeting today at 9am.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

Date: 3/22/21

Hon. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Please add my name as a cosponsor of SB 306.

Signed: /s/ Brian Strickland District: 17th

I hereby consent to adding the above-named Senator as a cosponsor of the referenced legislation:

/s/ Emanuel Jones of the 10th
(Primary Author)

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House and Senate:

HB 732. By Representatives Dreyer of the 59th, Holland of the 54th, Cannon of the 58th, Roberts of the 52nd, Nguyen of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from City of Atlanta Independent School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $15,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district, approved May 4, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 7003), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 8, 2018 (Ga. L. 2018, p. 4167), so as to remove the sunset date for such

exemption; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 739. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Blue Ridge in Fannin County, approved March 21, 1989 (Ga. L. 1989, p. 3823), as amended, so as to provide for staggered terms of the mayor and councilmembers; to revise provisions regarding the filling of vacancies on the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 740. By Representative Benton of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the Town of Pendergrass, in the County of Jackson, approved December 30, 1890 (Ga. L. 1890-91, Vol. II, p. 681), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4755), so as to add two new members to the city council; to revise provisions governing quorums and overriding vetoes; to update reference to applicable state election law; to provide for initial and staggered terms of the new councilmembers; to provide for conflict of interest; to provide for holding of other offices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 753. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Jenkins of the 132nd, Bonner of the 72nd and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Coweta County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 754. By Representative Benton of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new charter for the City of Hoschton, Georgia, approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3539), as amended, so as to provide for a new governmental structure; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 757. By Representatives Nguyen of the 89th, Holland of the 54th, Cannon of the 58th, Metze of the 55th, Dreyer of the 59th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the "Atlanta Urban Enterprise Zone Act," approved March 24, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 4164), as amended, so as to provide for findings and purpose of urban enterprise zones; to provide for definitions; to provide for types of ad valorem property tax exemptions; to provide criteria for designating urban enterprise zones; to provide for the amount of exemptions; to provide for time limitations; to provide for identification of exempt properties; to provide for annual reports; to reserve Sections 11 and 12 of said Act; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 759. By Representative Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 769. By Representatives Mathiak of the 73rd and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a board of elections for Spalding County, approved March 19, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4432), as amended, particularly by an Act approved June 3, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4311), so as to revise the composition of the board; to provide for the termination of the term of the present fifth member; to provide for the appointment of a new fifth member; to provide for terms of office; to provide for the duties and requirements of the board; to provide for an elections supervisor and employees; to provide for qualifications and limitations on the election supervisor and employees; to provide for the county attorney to serve as legal adviser and represent the board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 34. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to name change, so as to provide that victims of human trafficking may petition for name change under seal; to provide for a definition; to provide for determination by the court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 66. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Cowsert of the 46th, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 and Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to education and revenue and taxation, respectively, so as to authorize a nonprofit corporation incorporated by the Georgia Foundation for Public Education to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for the expiration of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation's authority to promote public-private partnerships and to receive private donations to be used for grants to public schools; to provide for grant criteria; to provide for the dissolution of the Public Education Innovation Fund Foundation; to revise definitions; to provide for an income tax credit for qualified education donations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 143. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th and Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen, so as to conform a reference within a statutory form regarding waiver of lien and labor or material bond rights; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 168. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 169. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Strickland of the 17th, Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding contracts for public works, Code Section 32-2-70 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bonds of successful bidder, and Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 91 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bonds generally, so as to provide for acceptance of electronic signatures and electronic corporate seals on bonds; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 210. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Miller of the 49th, Payne of the 54th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for definitions relative to registration and licensing of motor vehicles; to provide for certain exceptions to the issuance of license plates, application for motor vehicle registration, and the design and display of license plates and revalidation decals; to provide for procedures, conditions, and standards for the issuance and display of digital license plates on motor vehicles; to provide for duties and rights of digital license plate providers; to authorize the adoption of rules and regulations by the Department of Revenue in relation to such license plates and providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 221. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to provide for a definition; to provide for leadership committees; to provide for chairpersons; to provide that such committees may receive contributions and make expenditures; to provide for disposition of assets in certain circumstances; to provide for filings and reports; to provide an exception from contribution limits; to provide for certain notices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 280. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create the board of commissioners of Lumpkin County, approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4272), as amended, so as to revise the qualifications for the county manager; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 282. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of elections and registration for Lincoln County approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4210), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 283. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of elections and registration for Lincoln County, Georgia; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 163. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hatchett of the 50th, Jones II of the 22nd and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 302. By Senator Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for minimum compensation for certain county officers of Pulaski County, approved April 11, 1979 (Ga. L. 1979, p. 4129), so as to revise the compensation of future county officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 303. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to dogs generally, so as to provide for standards for commercial breeders; to provide for facilities; to provide for care of dogs; to provide for breeding of dogs; to provide for keeping and maintenance of records; to provide for violations, judicial notice, and restitution; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs.

SB 304. By Senator Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Peach County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for a short title; to confer powers upon the authority; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 305. By Senator Burke of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older and whose income, excluding certain retirement income, does not exceed $69,680.00; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to

provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 306. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding vacancies on the board of commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SR 281. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th and Burke of the 11th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Study Committee on Violence Against Health Care Workers; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 282. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd and Rahman of the 5th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Universal Basic Income Program Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 283. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Rahman of the 5th and Rhett of the 33rd:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Improving Access to Healthy Foods and Ending Food Deserts Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent to suspend the Senate Rules to first read legislation and assign to committee. There was no objection and the consent was granted.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 307. By Senator Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Pulaski County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 732. By Representatives Dreyer of the 59th, Holland of the 54th, Cannon of the 58th, Roberts of the 52nd, Nguyen of the 89th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from City of Atlanta Independent School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $15,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district, approved May 4, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 7003), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 8, 2018 (Ga. L. 2018, p. 4167), so as to remove the sunset date for such exemption; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 739. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Blue Ridge in Fannin County, approved March 21, 1989 (Ga. L. 1989, p. 3823), as amended, so as to provide for staggered terms of the mayor and councilmembers; to revise provisions regarding the filling of vacancies on the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 740. By Representative Benton of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the Town of Pendergrass, in the County of Jackson, approved December 30, 1890 (Ga. L.

1890-91, Vol. II, p. 681), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4755), so as to add two new members to the city council; to revise provisions governing quorums and overriding vetoes; to update reference to applicable state election law; to provide for initial and staggered terms of the new councilmembers; to provide for conflict of interest; to provide for holding of other offices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 753. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Jenkins of the 132nd, Bonner of the 72nd and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Coweta County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 754. By Representative Benton of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new charter for the City of Hoschton, Georgia, approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3539), as amended, so as to provide for a new governmental structure; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 757. By Representatives Nguyen of the 89th, Holland of the 54th, Cannon of the 58th, Metze of the 55th, Dreyer of the 59th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the "Atlanta Urban Enterprise Zone Act," approved March 24, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 4164), as amended, so as to provide for findings and purpose of urban enterprise zones; to provide for definitions; to

provide for types of ad valorem property tax exemptions; to provide criteria for designating urban enterprise zones; to provide for the amount of exemptions; to provide for time limitations; to provide for identification of exempt properties; to provide for annual reports; to reserve Sections 11 and 12 of said Act; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 759. By Representative Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 769. By Representatives Mathiak of the 73rd and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a board of elections for Spalding County, approved March 19, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4432), as amended, particularly by an Act approved June 3, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4311), so as to revise the composition of the board; to provide for the termination of the term of the present fifth member; to provide for the appointment of a new fifth member; to provide for terms of office; to provide for the duties and requirements of the board; to provide for an elections supervisor and employees; to provide for qualifications and limitations on the election supervisor and employees; to provide for the county attorney to serve as legal adviser and represent the board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Appropriations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 81 | Do Pass by substitute | HR 24 | Do Pass |
| HR 25 | Do Pass | HR 26 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tillery of the 19th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 455 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 333 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 363 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 236 | Do Pass | HB 286 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 289 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 353 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 328 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 582 | Do Pass | HB 625 | Do Pass |
| HB 730 | Do Pass | HB 734 | Do Pass |
| HB 742 | Do Pass | SB 285 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 297 | Do Pass | SB 298 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 165 Do Pass
HR 119 Do Pass
HR 282 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Ginn of the 47th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 81 | HB 141 | HB 165 | HB 173 | HB 236 | HB 282 |
| HB 286 | HB 287 | HB 289 | HB 307 | HB 328 | HB 333 |
| HB 342 | HB 353 | HB 363 | HB 371 | HB 451 | HB 455 |
| HB 479 | HB 498 | HB 534 | HB 562 | HB 611 | HR 24 |
| HR 25 | HR 26 | HR 119 | HR 183 | HR 282 | SR 190 |
| SR 201 | | | | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Ginn of the 47th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Ginn was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Merritt |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | Parent |
| Au | Hatchett | Payne |
| Beach | Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Burns | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Butler | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Davenport | Jones, H. | Summers |
| Dixon | Jordan | Thompson |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Gooch | Lucas | Walker |
| Goodman | McNeill | Watson |
| Halpern | | |

Not answering were Senators:

Ginn (Excused) James (Excused) Tate (Excused)
Miller

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Davenport of the 44th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Dr. Wayne Mims of Lovejoy, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Brass of the 28th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Gary Bernstein, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 272. By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dolezal of the 27th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Carol L. Comer upon the grand occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

SR 273. By Senators Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dolezal of the 27th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Tommie Heard; and for other purposes.

SR 274. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Summers of the 13th, Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Coordinating Chief Community Supervision Officer Cory Beggs, the Department of Community Supervision 2020 Officer of the Year; and for other purposes.

SR 275. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Gooch of the 51st, Tillery of the 19th, Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Billy Pittard on his outstanding public service; and for other purposes.

SR 276. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Thomas Smith; and for other purposes.

SR 277. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Pamela Yvette Taylor; and for other purposes.

SR 278. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Thomas Cooper; and for other purposes.

SR 279. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Judith Fields; and for other purposes.

SR 280. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Derek Willis; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Monday March 22, 2021
Thirty-sixth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 285 Jones of the 10th
Strickland of the 17th
**HENRY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Henry County Water Authority, approved March 28, 1961 (Ga. L. 1961, p. 2588), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4081), so as to provide for a sixth member of the authority's board; to update quorums and majorities of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

SB 297 Miller of the 49th
Hatchett of the 50th
**HALL COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a method of compensating the members of the board of education of Hall County, approved February 25, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 3504), as amended, so as to revise such compensation; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 298 Miller of the 49th
Hatchett of the 50th
**HALL COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a Board of Commissioners for Hall County, approved March 21, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 661), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 18, 2007 (Ga. L. 2007 p. 3951), so as to change the provisions of law concerning the expense allowance received by the chairperson and members of the Board of Commissioners of Hall County; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 582 Thompson of the 14th
Albers of the 56th
Beach of the 21st
**CHEROKEE COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Cherokee County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 625 Anderson of the 24th
Jones of the 25th
**TRI COUNTY NATURAL GAS AUTHORITY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Tri-County Natural Gas Authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 730 Payne of the 54th
**WHITFIELD COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Whitfield County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 734 Hufstetler of the 52nd
**CITY OF EUHARLEE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Euharlee, approved May 7, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 4472), so as to revise the corporate limits; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum and contingent effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 742 Miller of the 49th
**CITY OF GAINESVILLE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to continue the existence of the Gainesville City School District as an independent school system; to provide for powers of the board of education; to provide for number of members, districts, elections, qualifications of members, organization, and compensation of the board of education; to provide for the position of superintendent; to provide for related matters; to repeal and reserve provisions of a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on the Local Consent Calendar, pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Strickland was excused.

The substitute to the following bill was put upon its adoption:

*SB 285:

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to SB 285:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act creating the Henry County Water Authority, approved March 28, 1961 (Ga. L. 1961, p. 2588), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 12, 1982 (Ga.

L. 1982, p. 4081), so as to provide for a sixth member of the authority's board; to update quorums and majorities of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act creating the Henry County Water Authority, approved March 28, 1961 (Ga. L. 1961, p. 2588), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p.4081), is amended by revising subsections (b) and (e) of Section 4 as follows:

"(b) On July 1, 2021, the authority shall consist of six members. One member shall be appointed by the chairperson of the board of commissioners of Henry County. Five members shall be appointed by the board of commissioners of Henry County, with one member appointed from each commission district in Henry County. The six members so appointed shall serve for terms of office of two years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. The members of the authority who are in office on the effective date of this Act shall serve out the terms to which they were originally appointed and until their successors are appointed and qualified as provided in this subsection."

"(e) Four members of the authority shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and they shall have the right to meet whenever they shall deem it in the best interest of the authority. Notice of such meeting shall be given each member in writing at least three days before such meeting, and a majority of the authority or the chairman may call such meeting upon giving the required notice. No action shall be taken by the authority unless approved by four members of the authority."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there was no objection, and the substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bills as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bills on the Local Consent Calendar, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |

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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | E Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local bills, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

The bills on the Local Consent Calendar, except SB 285, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

SB 285, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 149, which was on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 34, nays 20; the motion prevailed, and HB 149 was engrossed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021
THIRTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 119 Professions and businesses; chiropractors may own professional corporations with physicians; provide (H&HS-20th) Hawkins-27th

HB 149 Income tax; certain elections to be made by Subchapter "S" corporations and partnerships for the filing of tax returns and imposition of taxes; allow (FIN-52nd) Williamson-115th

HB 150 Public utilities and public transportation; prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel (Substitute)(RI&U-18th) Williamson-115th

HB 316 Pharmacies; increase pharmacist to pharmacy technician ratio for providing direct supervision at any time (H&HS-1st) Stephens-164th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 119. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Rich of the 97th, Ehrhart of the 36th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 14-7-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional services in which a professional corporation may engage, so as to provide that chiropractors may own professional corporations with physicians; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | N Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 6.

HB 119, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 149. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Blackmon of the 146th and Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to income taxes, so as to allow for certain elections to be made by Subchapter "S" corporations and partnerships for the filing of tax returns and imposition of taxes; to provide for definitions; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The following Fiscal Note was read by the Secretary:

**DEPARTMENT OF AUDITS AND ACCOUNTS**
**270 Washington St., S.W., Suite 1-156**
**Atlanta, Georgia 30334-8400**

**Greg S. Griffin**
**STATE AUDITOR**
**(404) 656-2174**

February 15, 2021

Honorable Shaw Blackmon
Chairman, House Ways and Means
133 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note
House Bill 149 (LC 43 1869)

Dear Chairman Blackmon:

The bill modifies the tax treatment of S-corporation and partnership income. It allows entities each year to make an irrevocable election to pay the tax due on the income earned by the entity at the entity level at the rate of 5.75 percent. If this election is made, the shareholders would not recognize this income on their individual returns.

Under the bill, the entity or its shareholders would not be eligible for credits under section 48-7-28 or deduction specified under section 48-7-27(d). When computing net income subject to tax, the entity would not be allowed any deduction for taxes based on or measured by gross or net income or any other variant thereof. The provision is only applicable to an S-corp or partnership that is 100 percent directly owned and controlled by natural persons. The legislation is effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

**Impact on State Revenue**
Georgia State University's Fiscal Research Center found that the bill would have no impact on state revenue. The bill's provisions ultimately impact a taxpayer's federal return by impacting the $10,000 limit on state and local tax deductions. However, the bill does not allow a pass-through entity to claim the deduction for taxes paid on a state tax return. The

total level of deductions taken against state income tax does not change, and state revenue is not affected.

**Impact on State Expenditures**
The Department of Revenue (DOR) would have annual and one-time costs associated with the bill. DOR noted that auditing just 1% of affected returns would require three additional auditors at an annual cost of $246,470. One-time costs of $4,050 would be incurred for computers and phones.

Sincerely,

/s/ Greg S. Griffin
Greg S. Griffin
State Auditor

/s/ Kelly Farr
Kelly Farr, Director
Office of Planning and Budget

## Analysis by the Fiscal Research Center

The legislation allows for the election of entity level taxation for qualified Subchapter S corporations and partnerships. This provision is estimated to have no revenue effect on state income tax receipts.

The election creates the possibility for a workaround for the $10,000 SALT limitation for the eligible pass-through entities on their federal taxes. Under current law, pass-through entities in Georgia are not subject to tax, but instead pass their income and deductions through to the shareholders or partners of the entity who then include their share of the income and deductions on their personal income tax returns and are taxed at graduated rates up to 5.75 percent. In the case of resident shareholders and partners, all pass-through entity income is subject to tax. In the case of non-resident shareholders and partners, only pass-through income apportioned to Georgia is subject to tax.

Under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 (TCJA), individual income tax filers are subject to a cap of $10,000 on the deduction for state and local taxes (SALT). Businesses, on the other hand, may deduct these taxes as a business expense and are not subject to a limitation. By moving the tax liability of pass-through income to the entity level, individuals are able to reduce the amount of state and local tax reported on their personal returns. Thus, this provision provides for a workaround for federal purposes for the cap on SALT deductions in the case of shareholders and partners of pass-through entities that qualify for this election.

Recent guidance issued by the IRS in November of 2020 clarifies that such an entity-level tax could be allowed as a deduction by the pass-through entity. Several states have, since passage of TCJA, adopted an entity-level tax, the first being Connecticut, which adopted it for tax years beginning January 1, 2018. Rhode Island, Louisiana, New Jersey, Oklahoma, and Wisconsin have also adopted similar provisions. In addition, Tennessee, DC, New Hampshire, and New York City have levied entity-level taxes for many years prior to the passage of TCJA.

Although the legislation allows for this workaround for federal tax purposes, the legislation also denies the pass-through entity's ability to claim, on the entity's Georgia return, the deduction for taxes paid (that is, it would have to be added back to the entity's taxable income on the Georgia return). Thus, on the whole, the total level of deductions taken against state income tax does not change and revenue effect for the state is not affected.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 1.

HB 149, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/22/21

I inadvertently voted no on HB 149. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote yes.

/s/ Jones of the 25th

Senator Miller of the 49th, President Pro Tempore, assumed the Chair.

HB 150. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Kelley of the 16th, Frazier of the 126th, Parsons of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to HB 150:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service or sales of certain fuels based upon the type or source of energy or fuel; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read follows:

"46-1-6.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Governmental entity' means any:

(A) Municipality, public corporation, political subdivision, instrumentality, body politic, authority, district, consolidated government, county, or any board, commission, agency, department, or board of any such entity;
(B) State board, commission, agency, department, or board; or
(C) Other form of government.
(2) 'Policy' means an ordinance, resolution, regulation, code, or any other requirement imposed by a governmental entity.
(b) No governmental entity of this state shall adopt any policy that prohibits, or has the effect of prohibiting, based on the type or source of energy or fuel to be delivered:
(1) The connection or reconnection of a customer to an electric utility, gas company, or natural, manufactured, or liquefied petroleum gas service;
(2) Sales of liquefied petroleum gas, including, but not limited to, directly to a consumer by a retail establishment; or
(3) Sales of other liquefied petroleum products.
(c) Nothing in this Code section shall limit the ability of a governmental entity to choose utility services for properties owned by such governmental entity."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 22nd, Au of the 48th, Jackson of the 41st, Harrell of the 40th, and others offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities substitute to HB 150 (LC 36 4780S) by inserting* "to provide for automatic repeal;" *following* "fuel;" *on line 4.*

*By deleting the quotation mark at the end of line 28 and adding between lines 28 and 29 the following:*
(d) This Code section shall be repealed in its entirety on July 1, 2026, unless extended by an Act of the General Assembly."

On the adoption of the amendment, the President Pro Tempore asked unanimous consent.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President Pro Tempore ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| E Beach | N Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 19, nays 31, and the amendment to the committee substitute was lost.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | N Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 34, nays 15.

HB 150, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/22/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 150. Had I been present, I would have voted no.

/s/ Davenport of the 44th

HB 316. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Gaines of the 117th, Lott of the 122nd and Corbett of the 174th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 26-4-82 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to duties requiring professional judgment and responsibilities of a licensed pharmacist, so as to increase the pharmacist to pharmacy technician ratio for providing direct supervision at any time; to provide certain requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 316, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/22/21

I missed the vote on HB 316. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Kennedy of the 18th

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 161. By Representatives Tankersley of the 160th, Dickey of the 140th, Fleming of the 121st, Rich of the 97th, Houston of the 170th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 42 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to downtown development authorities, so as to remove a provision providing perpetual existence to such authorities; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The consent was granted, and HB 161 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 161, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Rules Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 161. By Representatives Tankersley of the 160th, Dickey of the 140th, Fleming of the 121st, Rich of the 97th, Houston of the 170th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 42 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to downtown development authorities, so as to remove a provision providing perpetual existence to such authorities; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 161, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The President resumed the Chair.

Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 234. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Lott of the 122nd, Smyre of the 135th, Gunter of the 8th, Newton of the 123rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide an option for self-funded healthcare plans, exempt from state regulation under federal law, to opt in to Georgia's Surprise Billing Consumer Protection Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The consent was granted, and HB 234 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 234, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Rules Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 234. By Representatives Hawkins of the 27th, Lott of the 122nd, Smyre of the 135th, Gunter of the 8th, Newton of the 123rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide an option for self-funded healthcare plans, exempt from state regulation under federal law, to opt in to Georgia's Surprise Billing Consumer Protection Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 234, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 271. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd, Lott of the 122nd and Sharper of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for emergency medical services, so as to authorize the Department of Community Health to assess one or more provider matching payments on ambulance services for the purpose of obtaining federal financial participation for Medicaid; to provide for definitions; to provide for payment into the Indigent Care Trust Fund; to provide for penalties; to provide for the use of funds; to provide for inspection of records; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The consent was granted, and HB 271 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 271, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Rules Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 271. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd, Lott of the 122nd and Sharper of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for emergency medical services, so as to authorize the Department of Community Health to assess one or more provider matching payments on ambulance services for the purpose of obtaining federal financial participation for Medicaid; to provide for definitions; to provide for payment into the Indigent Care Trust Fund; to provide for penalties; to provide for the use of funds; to provide for inspection of records; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 271, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 410. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Hitchens of the 161st, Collins of the 68th, Scoggins of the 14th and Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bingo, so as to transfer regulatory authority over bingo from the director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to the Secretary of State; to revise definitions; to provide for transfer of authority and continuity of regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The consent was granted, and HB 410 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 410, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Rules Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 410. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Hitchens of the 161st, Collins of the 68th, Scoggins of the 14th and Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 2 of Chapter 12 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to bingo, so as to transfer regulatory authority over bingo from the director of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to the Secretary of State; to revise definitions; to provide for transfer of authority and continuity of regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 1.

HB 410, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 22, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 410. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Orrock of the 36th

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the House:

HB 745. By Representative Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Education of Washington County, approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4652), as amended, so as to provide for nonpartisan elections for members

of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 9. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Burns of the 23rd, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; to provide for the transfer of certain funds from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for and allocate circuit-wide costs and expenditures; to conform the county salary supplements for the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 9. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Burns of the 23rd, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Mullis of the 53rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; to provide for the transfer of certain funds from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for and allocate circuit-wide costs and expenditures; to conform the county salary supplements for the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 9:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To create a new judicial circuit for the State of Georgia, to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit and to be composed of Columbia County; to provide for the judges and the district attorney of said new circuit and their terms, selection, and compensation; to transfer certain judges from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for the transfer of certain funds from the Augusta Judicial Circuit to the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for and allocate circuit-wide costs and expenditures; to conform the county salary supplements for the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the superior courts, so as to revise the composition and terms of court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit; to provide for the composition, terms of court, and number of judges of the Columbia Judicial Circuit; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Effective July 1, 2021, there is created a new judicial circuit of the superior courts of this state to be known as the Columbia Judicial Circuit, which circuit shall be composed of Columbia County. There shall be a district attorney and three judges of the Columbia Judicial Circuit. The offices of the judges and district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall be subject to the following provisions:

(1) The district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall be appointed by the Governor for a term beginning July 1, 2021, and expiring December 31, 2022. A successor to the district attorney so appointed shall be elected by the voters of the Columbia Judicial Circuit at the 2022 general election, and at the general election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for appointment or election to this office in 2021 or thereafter shall be a resident of Columbia County;

(2) The Honorable James G. Blanchard, Jr., the Honorable Sheryl B. Jolly, and the Honorable J. Wade Padgett, currently judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit and residents of Columbia County, shall become judges of the Columbia Judicial Circuit. Each judge, respectively, shall serve out their current term of office for which he or she was selected, and his or her successor shall be elected by the voters of the Columbia Judicial Circuit at the nonpartisan judicial election next preceding the expiration of their term of office, and at the nonpartisan judicial election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for election to these offices shall be a resident of Columbia County; and

(3) The active judge who is senior in time of service shall serve as chief judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit.

**SECTION 1-2.**

All proceedings and litigations, civil, equitable, and criminal, pending in the Superior Court of Columbia County at such time as it was a part of the Augusta Judicial Circuit, including all complaints, pleadings, petitions, indictments, special presentments, summonses, processes, motions, writs, and mesne and final proceedings, together with all books and records of any kind or character belonging to or issued, returnable, filed, pending, or commenced in such county, shall relate to, become a part of, and be transferred to the Columbia Judicial Circuit and its jurisdiction.

**SECTION 1-3.**

In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, each judge of the superior court of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Columbia County an additional supplement to such salary and expenses in an amount equal to the aggregate total of additional supplements to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by the counties of the Augusta Judicial Circuit on January 1, 2021.

**SECTION 1-4.**

In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, the district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Columbia County an additional supplement to such salary and expenses equal to the aggregate total of additional supplements to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by the counties of the Augusta Judicial Circuit on January 1, 2021.

**SECTION 1-5.**

The governing authority of Columbia County shall be authorized, but not required, to authorize the employment of assistant district attorneys, deputy district attorneys, or other attorneys, investigators, paraprofessionals, clerical assistants, victim and witness assistance personnel, and other employees or independent contractors, as authorized under Code Section 15-18-20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

**SECTION 1-6.**

(a) Effective with the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall transfer to the Columbia Judicial Circuit the sum equal to 25 percent of the amount it holds as of January 1, 2021, for costs collected pursuant to Code Section 15-23-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated for court connected or court referred alternative dispute resolution programs.

(b) Effective with the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall pay over to the district attorney of the Columbia Judicial Circuit the sum equal to the amount he or she holds as of January 1, 2021, that

was secured pursuant to condemnation or forfeiture actions from criminal cases that originated from a violation of law in Columbia County.

**SECTION 1-7.**

All staffing for all judicial circuits referenced herein shall be governed pursuant to Code Section 15-18-28.

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Effective with the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be composed of the five remaining judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit, namely, the Honorable Carl C. Brown, Jr., the Honorable Daniel J. Craig, the Honorable John Flythe, the Honorable Ashley Wright, and the successor to the Honorable Michael N. Annis, and their successors. Each judge shall serve out their current term of office for which he or she was selected, and his or her successor shall be elected by the voters of the Augusta Judicial Circuit at the nonpartisan judicial election next preceding the expiration of their term of office, and at the nonpartisan judicial election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for election to these offices shall be a resident of Richmond County or Burke County.

**SECTION 2-1A.**

Effective upon the creation of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be the Honorable Jared T. Williams and his successors. Mr. Williams shall serve out his current term of office for which he was elected, and his successor shall be elected by the voters of the Augusta Judicial Circuit at the general election next preceding the expiration of his term of office, and at the general election quadrennially thereafter, for a term of four years. A candidate for election to this office shall be a resident of Richmond County or Burke County.

**SECTION 2-2.**

(a) Except as provided for under Sections 2-3 and 2-4 of this Act:

(1) Ninety percent of the circuit-wide costs and expenditures of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be paid by Richmond County; and

(2) Ten percent of the circuit-wide costs and expenditures of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall be paid by Burke County.

(b) The percentages provided for under subsection (a) of this section may be revised by an agreement in writing executed between the governing authority of Richmond County and the governing authority of Burke County.

**SECTION 2-3.**

(a) In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, each judge of the superior court of the Augusta Judicial Circuit

shall receive from the funds of Richmond County and Burke County additional supplements in proportions provided for under subsection (b) of this section.

(b)(1) Richmond County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Richmond County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Eighty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

(2) Burke County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Burke County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Twenty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

**SECTION 2-4.**

(a) In addition to the salary and expenses paid from state funds, the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit shall receive from the funds of Richmond County and Burke County an additional supplement in proportions provided for under subsection (b) of this section.

(b)(1) Richmond County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Richmond County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Eighty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

(2) Burke County shall pay an additional supplement equal to:

(A) The amount of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Burke County on January 1, 2021; and

(B) Twenty percent of the additional supplement to the salary and expenses of the district attorney of the Augusta Judicial Circuit then in effect and paid by Columbia County on January 1, 2021.

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Senior or retired judges of the Augusta Judicial Circuit who, as of June 30, 2021, receive a retirement supplement or have been paid a retirement supplement from Columbia County, Richmond County, and Burke County shall continue to receive such supplements

from such counties in the same amounts and in the same ratios as such supplements are paid as of June 30, 2021.

**SECTION 3-2.**

Any judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit who is in active service as of July 1, 2021, or who shall be appointed or elected as a judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit on or after July 1, 2021, shall, upon his or her retirement from active service and eligibility for retirement payments under a State of Georgia retirement system, receive a retirement supplement from the county or counties that comprise the Augusta Judicial Circuit as of the date such judge discontinues active service. Such retirement supplement shall be in an amount equal to the percentage that his or her State of Georgia retirement payments are to his or her last salary from the State of Georgia as an active judge of the Augusta Judicial Circuit, multiplied by the aggregate county salary supplement then paid to active judges as of the date of such judge's retirement from active service.

**SECTION 3-3.**

Any judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit who is in active service as of July 1, 2021, or who shall be appointed or elected as a judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit after July 1, 2021, shall, upon his or her retirement from active service and eligibility for retirement payments under a State of Georgia retirement system, receive a retirement supplement from the county or counties that comprise the Columbia Judicial Circuit as of the date such judge discontinues active service. Such retirement supplement shall be in an amount equal to the percentage that his or her State of Georgia retirement payments are to his or her last salary from the State of Georgia as an active judge of the Columbia Judicial Circuit, multiplied by the aggregate county salary supplement then paid to active judges as of the date of such judge's retirement from active service.

**SECTION 3-4.**

Any retirement supplements due under this part by a judicial circuit made up of more than one county shall be paid in the same proportions as those counties divide the payment of salary supplements to active judges of that judicial circuit.

**PART IV**

**SECTION 4-1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, is amended by revising paragraph (5) of, and adding a new paragraph to, Code Section 15-6-1, relating to composition of judicial circuits, as follows:

"(5) Augusta Judicial Circuit, composed of the Counties of Burke~~, Columbia,~~ and Richmond;"

"(11.1) Columbia Judicial Circuit, composed of the County of Columbia;"

**SECTION 4-2.**

Said article is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of, and adding a new paragraph to, Code Section 15-6-2, relating to number of superior court judges, to read as follows:

"(5) Augusta Circuit ..... ~~8~~ 5"

"(11.1) Columbia Circuit ..... 3"

**SECTION 4-3.**

Said article is further amended by revising paragraph (5) of, and adding a new paragraph to, Code Section 15-6-3, relating to terms of court, as follows:

"(5) **Augusta Circuit:**

(A) Burke County — Fourth Monday in April and October.

(B) ~~Columbia County — Fourth Monday in March and September.~~

~~(C)~~ Richmond County — Third Monday in January, March, May, July, September, and November."

"(11.1) **Columbia Circuit:**

Columbia County — Fourth Monday in March and September."

**PART V**

**SECTION 5-1.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Anderson of the 24th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 9.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| E Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | E Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 9.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn until 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, March 23, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Tuesday, March 23, 2021
Thirty-seventh Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 114. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Dugan of the 30th, Gooch of the 51st, Kennedy of the 18th, Burke of the 11th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to professions and businesses, so as to revise the grounds for refusing to grant or revoking a license; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 145. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Miller of the 49th, Watson of the 1st, Gooch of the 51st, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to modify the petition requirements for initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to provide an additional method of initiating such a referendum election; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 185. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to state administrative organization, administration, and enforcement of revenue and taxation, so as to require that all questions of law decided by a court or the Georgia Tax Tribunal on matters arising from the state board of equalization and matters arising from refunds and appeals of state administration of Title 48 be decided without deference to determinations or interpretations of the Department of Revenue except without any effect on the judicial standard of deference given to rules promulgated pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 50, the "Georgia Administrative Procedure Act"; to amend Chapter 13A of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A., relating to tax tribunals; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 247. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Walker III of the 20th, Miller of the 49th, Goodman of the 8th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to agricultural commodity commissions generally, so as to replace certain public hearings with online public comment opportunities; to revise procedures for issuing, amending, and renewing marketing orders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 32. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Robertson of the 29th, Burke of the 11th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure not required, so as to exempt certain personal records of state and federal employees from public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 159. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Ginn of the 47th and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education,

so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 308. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Au of the 48th, Butler of the 55th, Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Emergency Communications Authority, so as to require the Georgia Emergency Communications Authority to establish a system of language translation services for use by 9-1-1 systems statewide; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 309. By Senators Au of the 48th, Rahman of the 5th, Butler of the 55th, Jordan of the 6th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 5 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to Brady Law Regulations, so as to require a five-day waiting period for the purchase or transfer of certain firearms; to provide for exceptions; to provide for criminal penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 310. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for registration and licensing of bicycles; to require registration of a bicycle for operation upon highways; to provide for punishment; to revise a definition; to provide for the acquisition of a license plate for a bicycle; to provide for the design of license plates for bicycles; to provide for application and form; to provide for the option of a one-time bicycle registration fee in lieu of annual registration; to prescribe fees for annual and one-time registration of bicycles; to provide a short title; to

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

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SB 311. By Senators Au of the 48th, Rahman of the 5th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to employment and training of peace officers, so as to require the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council to establish as part of the curriculum for basic and in-service training courses for all peace officers certain training in certain languages other than English; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

SR 298. By Senators Beach of the 21st and Dolezal of the 27th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Annexation Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 299. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Ginn of the 47th, Dixon of the 45th, Goodman of the 8th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing United States military veterans and dedicating a highway in their honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SR 300. By Senators Harrell of the 40th and Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate University Fees Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 745. By Representative Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of

Education of Washington County, approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4652), as amended, so as to provide for nonpartisan elections for members of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Science and Technology has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 98 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Dolezal of the 27th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 68 Do Pass by substitute
HB 338 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

HB 68 HB 98 HB 338

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that Senator Brass of the 28th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Brass was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Gooch | Mullis |
| Anavitarte | Goodman | Payne |
| Anderson, L. | Harbin | Rhett |
| Anderson, T. | Harbison | Robertson |
| Au | Hatchett | Seay |
| Beach | Hickman | Sims |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Strickland |
| Burns | Jones, B. | Summers |
| Cowsert | Jones, E. | Thompson |
| Davenport | Kennedy | Tillery |
| Dixon | Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Dolezal | McNeill | Walker |
| Dugan | Miller | Watson |
| Ginn | | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Brass (Excused) | James (Excused) | Tate (Excused) |
| Butler | Halpern | Harper |
| Harrell | Jackson, K. | Jackson, L. |
| Jones II | Jordan | Lucas |
| Merritt | Orrock | Parent |
| Rahman | | |

The following members were off the floor of the Senate when the roll was called and wish to be recorded as present:

Senators: Merritt of the 9th Harrell of the 40th Jones II of the 22nd
Halpern of the 39th

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd introduced the chaplain of the day, Bishop Arthur J. Croone of Conyers, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The President recognized former Senator Ellis Black.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 284. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th and Gooch of the 51st:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Towns County boys basketball team for winning the 2021 Class A Public Boys Basketball Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 285. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION commending and congratulating Sheriff Greg Countryman; and for other purposes.

SR 286. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Brandon Grier; and for other purposes.

SR 287. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Jason Brown; and for other purposes.

SR 288. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Leon Williams; and for other purposes.

SR 289. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Debra Graham; and for other purposes.

SR 290. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Virginia Swint; and for other purposes.

SR 291. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Edna Baker-Champion; and for other purposes.

SR 292. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Nika Gholston; and for other purposes.

SR 293. By Senator Harbison of the 15th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Carver Tigers for winning the 2020-2021 GHSA Class 4A State Basketball Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 294. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending the National Council of Negro Women DeKalb; and for other purposes.

SR 295. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Au of the 48th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A RESOLUTION celebrating the birth of Eleanora Verna Millsap; and for other purposes.

SR 296. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Strickland of the 17th, Au of the 48th, Rhett of the 33rd, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending and congratulating the Conyers Cherry Blossom Festival for their outstanding efforts to foster a long and steady friendship between the City of Conyers and the Country of Japan; and for other purposes.

SR 297. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th, Harbin of the 16th, Cowsert of the 46th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Senator Bill Heath; and for other purposes.

SR 301. By Senators Anderson of the 24th, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Richard Goolsby; and for other purposes.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 451, which was on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 34, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and HB 451 was engrossed.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021
THIRTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SR 201 | SK Innovation; recognize (RULES-49th) |
| HB 81 | General appropriations; State Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 (Substitute)(APPROP-19th) Ralston-7th |
| HB 451 | Ad valorem tax; property; fair market value applicable to inventor; provisions (Substitute)(FIN-53rd) Lumsden-12th |
| SR 190 | Congress; allow individuals to retain the right to use their image and likeness and shield them from copyright infringement; urge (RULES-28th) |

HB 395 The Professional Counselors Licensure Compact Act; enact (H&HS-52nd) Belton-112th

HB 154 Domestic relations; protection of children; strengthen, clarify, and update provisions (Substitute)(JUDY-50th) Reeves-34th

HB 168 Penal institutions; certain information within inmate files of the Department of Corrections shall not be classified as confidential state secrets when requested by the district attorney; provide (PUB SAF-1st) Petrea-166th

HB 210 Motor vehicles; recording of odometer readings upon certificates of title; exempt certain vehicles (TRANS-25th) Corbett-174th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 201. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Dixon of the 45th, Ginn of the 47th and Hatchett of the 50th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending SK Innovation; and for other purposes.

Senators Butler of the 55th, Miller of the 49th and Parent of the 42nd offered the following amendment #1:

Amend SR 201 (LC 122 0229) by striking lines 55 through 57 and replacing them with:

“LG to work with SK Innovation to come to the table and negotiate in good faith to reach a favorable settlement to address the intellectual property issue in order to protect the United States’ competitive edge in electric vehicle battery protection and supply chain and ensure the success of the Jackson County factory and the associated jobs.”

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Butler amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to as amended.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

SR 201, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted as amended.

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tillery of the 19th.

## SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE TO H.B. 81
## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:
## PART I

The sums of money hereinafter provided are appropriated for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, as prescribed hereinafter for such fiscal year:

| HB 81 (FY 2022G) | | Governor | House | SAC |
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| **Revenue Sources Available for Appropriation** | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | | $27,244,931,148 | $27,252,569,596 | $27,252,569,596 |
| State General Funds | | $23,268,529,675 | $23,276,168,123 | $23,276,168,123 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $1,960,036,957 | $1,960,036,957 | $1,960,036,957 |
| Lottery Proceeds | | $1,319,161,131 | $1,319,161,131 | $1,319,161,131 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | | $148,469,132 | $148,469,132 | $148,469,132 |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | | $15,305,935,379 | $15,508,843,006 | $15,506,599,425 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | | $4,075,621,653 | $4,075,621,653 | $4,075,621,653 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |

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| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $87,169,965 | $87,169,965 | $87,169,965 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $8,349,801,291 | $8,552,084,352 | $8,549,840,771 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $427,072,997 | $427,697,563 | $427,697,563 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $327,733,950 | $327,733,950 | $327,733,950 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $325,544,568 | $325,544,568 | $325,544,568 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $7,053,814,446 | $7,056,564,612 | $7,057,113,141 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 | $2,671,532 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 | $2,671,532 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,079,706,775 | $3,079,706,775 | $3,079,706,775 |
| Hospital Authorities | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $285,415,499 | $285,415,499 | $285,415,499 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 |
| Royalties and Rents | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 |
| Sales and Services | $3,535,371,151 | $3,538,121,317 | $3,538,121,317 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $954,115,387 | $956,865,553 | $956,865,553 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,421,864,038 | $4,421,864,038 | $4,421,864,038 |

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| State Funds Transfers | $4,402,844,278 | $4,402,844,278 | $4,402,844,278 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $17,744,709 | $17,744,709 | $17,744,709 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Merit System Assessments | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| Retirement Payments | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $687,746 | $687,746 | $687,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $49,604,680,973 | $49,817,977,214 | $49,816,282,162 |
| **Changes in Fund Availability** | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,332,513,768 | $1,340,152,216 | $1,340,152,216 |
| State General Funds | $1,127,062,308 | $1,134,700,756 | $1,134,700,756 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $216,197,599 | $216,197,599 | $216,197,599 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $17,842,517 | $17,842,517 | $17,842,517 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | ($68,772) | ($68,772) | ($68,772) |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $30,456,022 | $30,456,022 | $30,456,022 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $78,818,909 | $281,726,536 | $279,482,955 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,965,473 | $7,965,473 | $7,965,473 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($8,687,956) | ($8,687,956) | ($8,687,956) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $70,788,303 | $273,071,364 | $270,827,783 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $8,753,089 | $9,377,655 | $9,377,655 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $3,376,795 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $0 | $0 | $548,529 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $0 | $0 | $548,529 |
| Sales and Services | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 |
| State Funds Transfers | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,433,134,464 | $1,646,430,705 | $1,644,735,653 |

**Reconciliation of Fund Availability to Fund Application**

***Section 1: Georgia Senate***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 |
| State General Funds | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,533,046 | $11,533,046 | $12,041,426 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,533,046 | $11,533,046 | $12,041,426 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,612,998 | $11,612,998 | $12,121,378 |

| **Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| State General Funds | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| **1.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $75,000 | $75,000 | $300,000 |
| **1.100 Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,282,423 | $1,282,423 | $1,507,423 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,282,423 | $1,282,423 | $1,507,423 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,282,423 | $1,282,423 | $1,507,423 |
| **Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| State General Funds | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| **2.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | | $60,000 |
| **2.100 Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,224,770 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,224,770 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,224,770 |
| **Senate** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 |
| State General Funds | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 |

**3.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $597,710 | $597,710 | $821,090 |

| **3.100 Senate** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,085,853 | $9,085,853 | $9,309,233 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,085,853 | $9,085,853 | $9,309,233 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,165,805 | $9,165,805 | $9,389,185 |

***Section 2: Georgia House of Representatives***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| State General Funds | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,337,987 | $19,910,634 | $19,910,634 |

| **House of Representatives** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| State General Funds | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 |
| **4.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $981,711 | $1,554,358 | $1,554,358 |
| **4.100 House of Representatives** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,337,987 | $19,910,634 | $19,910,634 |
| ***Section 3: Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices*** | | | |
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 |
| State General Funds | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,839,664 | $13,572,532 | $13,872,532 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,839,664 | $13,572,532 | $13,872,532 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,002,761 | $13,735,629 | $14,035,629 |

**Ancillary Activities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |
| State General Funds | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |

**5.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $372,000 | $657,149 | $657,149 |

**5.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,441 | $1,441 |

**5.3** *Increase funds for legal fees related to reapportionment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $250,000 | $500,000 |

**5.4** *Increase funds for an evaluation for HB676 (2021 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $50,000 |

**5.100 Ancillary Activities** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,087,606 | $7,624,196 | $7,924,196 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,087,606 | $7,624,196 | $7,924,196 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,087,606 | $7,624,196 | $7,924,196 |

**Legislative Fiscal Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |

**6.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $61,000 | $61,000 |

**6.100 Legislative Fiscal Office** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,234,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,295,950 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,234,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,295,950 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,234,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,295,950 |

**Office of Legislative Counsel** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 |
| State General Funds | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 |

**7.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $135,278 | $135,278 |

**7.100 Office of Legislative Counsel** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,517,108 | $4,652,386 | $4,652,386 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,517,108 | $4,652,386 | $4,652,386 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,680,205 | $4,815,483 | $4,815,483 |

***Section 4: Audits and Accounts, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| State General Funds | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,704,323 | $33,896,873 | $33,896,873 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,704,323 | $33,896,873 | $33,896,873 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,764,323 | $33,956,873 | $33,956,873 |

**Audit and Assurance Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to perform special examinations and investigations; to conduct performance audits and evaluations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; to audit Medicaid provider claims; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| State General Funds | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 |

**8.1** *Transfer funds between programs to more accurately reflect anticipated program expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($60,000) | ($60,000) | ($60,000) |

**8.2** *Increase funds for independent performance reviews on select existing or proposed tax exemptions, tax credits, or other tax incentives, with up to five reviews per chamber requested annually by the chair of the House Ways and Means Committee and the chair of the Senate Finance Committee.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $192,550 | $192,550 |

**8.3** *Increase funds for auditing expenses associated with coronavirus pandemic funding.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $650,000 | $650,000 |

**8.4** *Increase funds for software maintenance expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $350,000 | $273,055 |

**8.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to conduct performance audits; to perform special examinations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

| **8.100 Audit and Assurance Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to conduct performance audits; to perform special examinations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,821,701 | $29,014,251 | $28,937,306 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $27,821,701 | $29,014,251 | $28,937,306 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,881,701 | $29,074,251 | $28,997,306 |

**Departmental Administration (DOAA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| State General Funds | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |

**9.1** *Transfer funds between programs to more accurately reflect anticipated program expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |

**9.2** *Increase funds for software maintenance expenses.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $43,675 |

**9.100 Departmental Administration (DOAA)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,273,961 | $2,273,961 | $2,317,636 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,273,961 | $2,273,961 | $2,317,636 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,273,961 | $2,273,961 | $2,317,636 |

**Legislative Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| State General Funds | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |

| **10.100 Legislative Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |

| **Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| State General Funds | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **11.1** *Transfer funds between programs to more accurately reflect anticipated program expenditures.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **11.2** *Increase funds for software maintenance expenses.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | | $33,270 |

| **11.100 Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,365,661 | $2,365,661 | $2,398,931 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,365,661 | $2,365,661 | $2,398,931 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,365,661 | $2,365,661 | $2,398,931 |

***Section 5: Appeals, Court of***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 |
| State General Funds | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,963,210 | $24,381,012 | $24,381,012 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,963,210 | $24,381,012 | $24,381,012 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,113,210 | $24,531,012 | $24,531,012 |

**Court of Appeals** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 |
| State General Funds | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 |

**12.1** *Increase funds for hardware and software costs. (H and S:Increase funds for hardware, software, and operations)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $180,258 | $254,000 | $254,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **12.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for cyber security insurance.* | | | |
| State General Funds | ($75,000) | ($75,000) | ($75,000) |
| **12.3** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for the Cyber Security Operations Center.* | | | |
| State General Funds | ($55,000) | ($55,000) | ($55,000) |
| **12.4** *Increase funds for cyber security insurance.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $43,000 | $43,000 | $43,000 |
| **12.5** *Increase funds for Cyber Security Operations Center.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $40,506 | $40,506 | $40,506 |
| **12.6** *Increase funds for one-time funding to continue development of the Case Management System.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $97,500 | $97,500 | $97,500 |
| **12.7** *Increase funds to annualize rent.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $97,063 | $97,063 | $97,063 |
| **12.8** *Increase funds to reflect the salary and travel/per diem expenses for a temporary judge.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $117,069 | $117,069 |
| **12.9** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $216,370 | $216,370 |

| **12.100 Court of Appeals** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,287,664 | $22,694,845 | $22,694,845 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,287,664 | $22,694,845 | $22,694,845 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,437,664 | $22,844,845 | $22,844,845 |

| **Georgia State-wide Business Court** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support a state-wide business court in matters of resolving commercial dispute and litigation.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| State General Funds | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| **13.1** *Increase funds to annualize costs for one clerk position.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $19,949 | $19,949 | $19,949 |
| **13.2** *Increase funds to annualize costs for one judgeship and staff.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $70,871 | $70,871 | $70,871 |
| **13.3** *Increase funds to annualize court mailing costs.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $3,200 | $3,200 | $3,200 |
| **13.4** *Increase funds for contracts.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $59,986 | $59,986 | $59,986 |
| **13.5** *Increase funds for rent.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $124,600 | $124,600 | $124,600 |
| **13.6** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $10,621 | $10,621 |

| **13.100 Georgia State-wide Business Court** | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support a state-wide business court in matters of resolving commercial dispute and litigation.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,675,546 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,675,546 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,675,546 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 |

***Section 6: Judicial Council***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| Sales and Services | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,365,557 | $15,340,395 | $15,497,895 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,365,557 | $15,340,395 | $15,497,895 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,689,235 | $19,664,073 | $19,821,573 |

**Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

**14.100 Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| **State General Funds** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

**Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| Sales and Services | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

**15.100 Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

**Institute of Continuing Judicial Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| State General Funds | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| Sales and Services | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 |

**16.100 Institute of Continuing Judicial Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| **State General Funds** | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **Sales and Services** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 |

**Judicial Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of the appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, the State Court Judges, and the Georgia Council of Court Administrators; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, and the Commission on Interpreters; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| Sales and Services | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 |
| **17.1** *Increase funds for the operation of the Weighted Caseload project.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $236,113 | $236,113 | $118,056 |
| **17.2** *Increase funds for the operation of the Juvenile Data Exchange Program.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $243,945 | $243,945 | $243,945 |
| **17.3** *Increase funds for grants for legal services for domestic violence.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| **17.4** *Increase funds for grants for legal services for Kinship Care Families.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $100,000 | $250,000 |
| **17.5** *Increase funds for the Georgia Courts Registrar.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **17.6** *Increase funds for one-time matching funds for the Child Support Collaborative Grant.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $21,600 | $21,600 |
| **17.100 Judicial Council** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| *The purpose of the appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, the State Court Judges, and the Georgia Council of Court Administrators; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, and the Commission on Interpreters; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,327,061 | $12,423,661 | $12,455,604 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,327,061 | $12,423,661 | $12,455,604 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **Sales and Services** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $15,343,333 | $15,439,933 | $15,471,876 |

**Judicial Qualifications Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |
| State General Funds | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |

**18.1** *Increase funds for two attorney positions. (H:Increase funds for one attorney position)(S:Increase funds for two attorney positions)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $251,114 | $125,557 | $251,114 |

**18.2** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $3,795 | $3,795 |

**18.100 Judicial Qualifications Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,049,934 | $928,172 | $1,053,729 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $1,049,934 | $928,172 | $1,053,729 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,049,934 | $928,172 | $1,053,729 |

**Resource Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| State General Funds | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |

**19.100 Resource Center** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |

***Section 7: Juvenile Courts***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 |
| State General Funds | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,847,838 | $8,750,238 | $8,750,238 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,847,838 | $8,750,238 | $8,750,238 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,915,324 | $8,817,724 | $8,817,724 |

**Council of Juvenile Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| State General Funds | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 |

**20.1** *Increase funds for a Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative Statewide Coordinator position.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $122,600 | $0 | $0 |

**20.100 Council of Juvenile Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,873,241 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,873,241 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,940,727 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 |

**Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |
| State General Funds | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |

**21.1** *Increase funds for operations from two additional superior court judgeships. (H and S:Increase funds pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-11-52(c)(2) for the Griffin and Gwinnett Judicial Circuits mandated by the new superior court judgeships effective January 1, 2020)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |

**21.2** *Increase funds for personnel to reflect an adjustment in the employer contribution rate for the Judicial Retirement System from 8.38% to 8.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $34,051 | $34,051 | $34,051 |

**21.3** *Increase funds related to the creation of the Columbia County Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $25,000 | $25,000 |

| **21.100 Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,974,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,974,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,974,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 |

***Section 8: Prosecuting Attorneys***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 |
| State General Funds | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| State Funds Transfers | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $88,813,688 | $87,093,901 | $85,849,865 |
| **State General Funds** | $88,813,688 | $87,093,901 | $85,849,865 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $90,835,328 | $89,115,541 | $87,871,505 |

**Council of Superior Court Clerks** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| State General Funds | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

**22.100 Council of Superior Court Clerks** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| **State General Funds** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

**District Attorneys** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para I and OCGA 15-18.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 |
| State General Funds | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| State Funds Transfers | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 |

**23.1** *Increase funds for personnel for ongoing recruitment and retention of staff. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds for one step increase for assistant district attorneys based on the 2020 pay scale)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,980,916 | $1,244,036 | $0 |

**23.2** *Increase funds for personnel to provide for 12 additional assistant district attorneys. (H and S:Increase funds for personnel for seven additional assistant district attorneys)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,225,817 | $715,057 | $715,057 |

**23.3** *Increase funds for personnel to reflect a restoration of funds from furloughs. (H and S:Increase funds to restore personnel reductions)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $379,103 | $379,103 | $379,103 |

**23.4** *Increase funds for personnel to reflect a restoration of funds from hiring delays.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |

**23.5** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,419 | $2,419 |

**23.6** *Increase funds for costs associated with the additional judgeship in the Cobb Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,497 | $64,497 |

**23.7** *Increase funds for costs associated with the additional judgeship in the Flint Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,497 | $64,497 |

**23.8** *Increase funds for costs associated with the additional judgeship in the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,497 | $64,497 |

**23.9** *Increase funds for support costs for the Columbia County Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,375,425 | $1,375,425 |

| **23.100 District Attorneys** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para I and OCGA 15-18.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $81,807,379 | $80,131,074 | $78,887,038 |
| **State General Funds** | $81,807,379 | $80,131,074 | $78,887,038 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $83,829,019 | $82,152,714 | $80,908,678 |

**Prosecuting Attorneys' Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| State General Funds | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |

**24.1** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds from furloughs. (H and S:Increase funds to restore personnel reductions)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $57,667 | $57,667 | $57,667 |

**24.2** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds for the prosecutor case management system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $17,884 | $17,884 | $17,884 |

**24.3** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds for training for prosecutors and investigators.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $173,928 | $130,446 | $130,446 |

**24.4** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds for legal research and analysis.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $35,000 | $35,000 | $35,000 |

**24.100 Prosecuting Attorneys' Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,841,143 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,841,143 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,841,143 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 |

***Section 9: Superior Courts***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 |
| State General Funds | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Sales and Services | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $74,361,697 | $74,370,266 | $76,198,452 |
| **State General Funds** | $74,361,697 | $74,370,266 | $76,198,452 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Sales and Services** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $74,498,867 | $74,507,436 | $76,335,622 |

**Council of Superior Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 |
| State General Funds | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 |

**25.1** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $8,569 | $8,569 |

**25.100 Council of Superior Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,646,571 | $1,655,140 | $1,655,140 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,646,571 | $1,655,140 | $1,655,140 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,766,571 | $1,775,140 | $1,775,140 |

**Judicial Administrative Districts** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 |
| State General Funds | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 |

**26.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $186,074 | $186,074 | $186,074 |

| **26.100 Judicial Administrative Districts** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,860,806 | $2,860,806 | $2,860,806 |

| **Superior Court Judges** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |
| State General Funds | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |

**27.1** *Increase funds to reflect an increase in the employer contribution rate for the Judicial Retirement System from 8.38% to 8.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,193 | $125,193 | $125,193 |

**27.2** *Increase funds for the costs of one additional judgeship in the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit created by HB786 (2020 Session), effective January 1, 2022.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 |

**27.3** *Increase funds for the costs of one additional judgeship in the Flint Judicial Circuit created by HB786 (2020 Session), effective January 1, 2022.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 |

**27.4** *Increase funds for the costs of one additional judgeship in the Cobb Judicial Circuit created by HB786 (2020 Session), effective January 1, 2022.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 |

**27.5** *Increase funds for personnel to eliminate the equivalent of six furlough days for employees making over $100,000. (H and S:Increase funds to restore personnel reductions)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $706,534 | $706,534 | $706,534 |

**27.6** *Increase funds for Senior Judge general usage from the current allocation of 0.75 days.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $523,392 | $523,392 | $0 |

**27.7** *Increase funds for Westlaw online legal research.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $74,689 | $74,689 | $74,689 |

**27.8** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for equipment set-up costs for one judgeship in the Gwinnett Circuit created by HB21 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,250) | ($30,250) | ($30,250) |

**27.9** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for equipment set-up costs for one judgeship in the Griffin Circuit created by HB28 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,250) | ($30,250) | ($30,250) |

**27.10** *Transfer $850,499 from the Augusta Circuit to the newly created Columbia Circuit. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**27.11** *Increase funds for Law Clerks for judges without any, prioritizing multi-county circuits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,351,578 |

**27.100 Superior Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $69,871,490 | $69,871,490 | $71,699,676 |
| **State General Funds** | $69,871,490 | $69,871,490 | $71,699,676 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $69,871,490 | $69,871,490 | $71,699,676 |

***Section 10: Supreme Court***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $17,030,709 | $17,250,133 | $17,297,315 |

**Supreme Court of Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| State General Funds | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 |

**28.1** *Increase funds for personnel for positions frozen per HB793 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,776 | $50,776 | $50,776 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **28.2** *Increase funds for information technology.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $97,500 | $97,500 | $97,500 |
| **28.3** *Increase funds for supplies and materials.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $67,428 | $67,428 | $67,428 |
| **28.4** *Increase funds for building maintenance and repairs.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $26,654 | $26,654 | $26,654 |
| **28.5** *Increase funds for rent.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $516,253 | $516,253 | $516,253 |
| **28.6** *Increase funds for population based membership dues for the National Center for State Courts.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $220,328 | $220,328 | $220,328 |
| **28.7** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $123,726 | $170,908 |
| **28.8** *Increase funds for an IT support position.* | | | |
| State General Funds | | $95,698 | $95,698 |

**28.100 Supreme Court of Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $17,030,709 | $17,250,133 | $17,297,315 |

***Section 11: Accounting Office, State***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 |
| State General Funds | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| State Funds Transfers | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,346,746 | $7,107,846 | $6,924,996 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,346,746 | $7,107,846 | $6,924,996 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,372,191 | $29,133,291 | $28,950,441 |

**Administration (SAO)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| State General Funds | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| State Funds Transfers | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 |

| **29.100 Administration (SAO)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| **State General Funds** | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 |

**Financial Systems** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate, support, monitor, and improve the State's enterprise financial accounting, payroll, and human capital management systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| State Funds Transfers | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

**30.100 Financial Systems** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate, support, monitor, and improve the State's enterprise financial accounting, payroll, and human capital management systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

**Shared Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support client agencies in processing payroll and other financial transactions and to implement and support the Statewide Travel Consolidation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| State General Funds | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 |

**31.100 Shared Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support client agencies in processing payroll and other financial transactions and to implement and support the Statewide Travel Consolidation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| **State General Funds** | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 |

**Statewide Accounting and Reporting** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide financial reporting, accounting policy, business process improvement, and compliance with state and federal fiscal reporting requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| State General Funds | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| State Funds Transfers | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 |

**32.100 Statewide Accounting and Reporting** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide financial reporting, accounting policy, business process improvement, and compliance with state and federal fiscal reporting requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 |

**Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |
| State General Funds | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |

**33.1** *Increase funds for two auditors, one attorney, one financial assistant, and one training specialist position. (S:Increase funds for two auditors and one attorney)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $461,100 | $278,250 |

**33.2** *Increase funds for one-time expenses related to the e-filing system.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**33.100 Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,219,630 | $2,980,730 | $2,797,880 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,219,630 | $2,980,730 | $2,797,880 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,219,630 | $2,980,730 | $2,797,880 |

**Georgia State Board of Accountancy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public financial, fiscal, and economic interests by licensing certified public accountants and public accountancy firms; regulating public accountancy practices; and investigating complaints and taking appropriate legal and disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| State General Funds | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

**34.100 Georgia State Board of Accountancy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public financial, fiscal, and economic interests by licensing certified public accountants and public accountancy firms; regulating public accountancy practices; and investigating complaints and taking appropriate legal and disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| **State General Funds** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

***Section 12: Administrative Services, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| State General Funds | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| Sales and Services | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| State Funds Transfers | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Merit System Assessments | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,295,581 | $3,295,581 | $6,351,581 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,295,581 | $3,295,581 | $6,351,581 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 |
| **Liability Funds** | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| **Unemployment Compensation Funds** | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| **Workers Compensation Funds** | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $228,055,502 | $228,055,502 | $231,111,502 |

**Certificate of Need Appeal Panel** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

**35.100 Certificate of Need Appeal Panel** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

**Compensation Per General Assembly Resolutions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to purchase annuities and other products for wrongfully convicted inmates when directed by the General Assembly upon passage of the required House Resolution.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**36.1** *Provide funds in Amended FY2022 to purchase annuities for wrongfully convicted individuals pursuant to the favorable passage of HR24, HR25, HR26, and HR29 (2021 Session). (H:YES)(S:Provide funds to purchase annuities for wrongfully convicted individuals pursuant to the favorable passage of HR24, HR25, HR26, and HR29 (2021 Session))*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $3,056,000 |

**36.100 Compensation Per General Assembly Resolutions** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to purchase annuities and other products for wrongfully convicted inmates when directed by the General Assembly upon passage of the required House Resolution.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $3,056,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $3,056,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $0 | $3,056,000 |

**Departmental Administration (DOAS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| Sales and Services | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 |
| Merit System Assessments | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 |

**37.100 Departmental Administration (DOAS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| **Sales and Services** | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 |

**Fleet Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance Program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |

**38.100 Fleet Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance Program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |

**Human Resources Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| Merit System Assessments | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 |

**39.100 Human Resources Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 |

**Risk Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers Compensation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| State General Funds | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| State Funds Transfers | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 |

**40.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding to meet liabilities of the State Indemnification Fund.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,700,000) | ($2,700,000) | ($2,700,000) |

**40.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding to meet liabilities in conjunction with the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,000,000) | ($1,000,000) | ($1,000,000) |

**40.100 Risk Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers Compensation Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $430,000 | $430,000 | $430,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $430,000 | $430,000 | $430,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 |
| **Liability Funds** | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| **Unemployment Compensation Funds** | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| **Workers Compensation Funds** | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $177,929,501 | $177,929,501 | $177,929,501 |

**State Purchasing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and*

*oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify small and/or minority business vendors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

**41.100 State Purchasing** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify small and/or minority business vendors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

**Surplus Property** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| Sales and Services | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

| **42.100 Surplus Property** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.* | | | |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

| **Administrative Hearings, Office of State** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| State General Funds | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 |

| **43.100 Administrative Hearings, Office of State** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 |

| **State Treasurer, Office of the** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts; monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |

**44.100 State Treasurer, Office of the** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts; monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |

**The Department is authorized to assess state agencies the equivalent of .176% of salaries for the cost of departmental operations and may roll forward any unexpended prior years Merit System Assessment balance to be expended in the current fiscal year.**

***Section 13: Agriculture, Department of***

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|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 |
| State General Funds | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Royalties and Rents | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Sales and Services | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Funds Transfers | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $46,728,394 | $48,333,892 | $48,167,824 |
| **State General Funds** | $46,728,394 | $48,333,892 | $48,167,824 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $58,105,240 | $59,710,738 | $59,544,670 |

**Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| State General Funds | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

**45.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $8,387 | $8,387 | $8,387 |

**45.100 Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 |

**Consumer Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries, including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 |
| State General Funds | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 |

**46.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $672 | $672 | $672 |

**46.2** *Increase funds for the Georgia Hemp Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $307,460 | $307,460 |

**46.3** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to retain critical positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $565,827 | $508,912 |

**46.4** *Increase funds for one soil scientist, one compliance specialist, and two vehicles pursuant to HB1057 (2020 Session).*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $241,740 | $0 |

**46.100 Consumer Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries, including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,759,642 | $27,874,669 | $27,576,014 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,759,642 | $27,874,669 | $27,576,014 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,430,787 | $37,545,814 | $37,247,159 |

**Departmental Administration (DOA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| State General Funds | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 |

**47.100 Departmental Administration (DOA)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 |

**Marketing and Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| State General Funds | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Royalties and Rents | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Sales and Services | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Funds Transfers | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 |

**48.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $421 | $421 | $421 |

**48.2** *Increase funds to establish the Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin as the official regulatory and educational tool for the Georgia Agricultural Tax Exemption (GATE) program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $333,350 | $333,350 |

**48.3** *Retain $120,000 in existing funds for the Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah farmers markets within the Georgia Department of Agriculture. (H:YES)(S:YES; Redirect $120,000 intended for the transition of ownership of farmers markets in Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah to local authorities to instead fund repairs and maintenance for any and all state farmers markets)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**48.4** *Increase funds for the Southwest Georgia Project (SWGP) for a community food hub to bolster Southwest Georgia's farmers, economy, and public health, and leverage other funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $75,000 |

**48.100 Marketing and Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,569,569 | $5,902,919 | $5,977,919 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,569,569 | $5,902,919 | $5,977,919 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Sales and Services** | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,425,270 | $6,758,620 | $6,833,620 |

**Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| State General Funds | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |

**49.100 Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |

**Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |
| State General Funds | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |

**50.1** *Increase funds for operations. (S:Increase funds for operations and recognize $342,413 in business interruption insurance)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $157,587 |

**50.100 Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $899,778 | $999,778 | $1,057,365 |
| **State General Funds** | $899,778 | $999,778 | $1,057,365 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $899,778 | $999,778 | $1,057,365 |

**Payments to the Georgia Development Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide development opportunities and disaster recovery assistance to Georgia farmers and timberland owners.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**51.1** *Redirect unutilized Georgia Development Authority Forestry Emergency Disaster Relief Assistance Funds for normal farmland and agribusiness loan programs administered by the authority. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by administering the use of state and federal resources to inspect, maintain, and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures in order to comply with the state Safe Dams Act and to provide planning and research assistance to landowners and local governments on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |
| State General Funds | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |

**52.1** *Increase funds for one rural waters technical specialist.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $57,121 | $57,121 |

**52.100 State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by administering the use of state and federal resources to inspect, maintain, and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures in order to comply with the state Safe Dams Act and to provide planning and research assistance to landowners and local governments on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,986,565 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,986,565 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,986,565 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 |

***Section 14: Banking and Finance, Department of***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| State General Funds | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,134,321 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,134,321 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,134,321 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 |

**Departmental Administration (DBF)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| State General Funds | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

**53.100 Departmental Administration (DBF)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

**Financial Institution Supervision** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| State General Funds | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |

**54.1** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to retain critical positions.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $271,774 | $271,774 |

**54.100 Financial Institution Supervision** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,977,563 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,977,563 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,977,563 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 |

**Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent residential mortgage lending practices and money service businesses, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registrations, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| State General Funds | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |

**55.1** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to retain critical positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $100,156 | $100,156 |

**55.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **55.100 Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,676,399 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,676,399 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,676,399 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 |

***Section 15: Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 |
| State General Funds | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| Royalties and Rents | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Sales and Services | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,161,510,862 | $1,197,883,812 | $1,199,452,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,151,255,724 | $1,187,628,674 | $1,189,197,852 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Sales and Services** | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,338,965,672 | $1,375,338,622 | $1,376,907,800 |

**Adult Addictive Diseases Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| State General Funds | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 |

**56.1** *Restore funds for Hepatitis C projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $125,000 | $125,000 |

**56.2** *Increase funds for core services to promote equity among providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,716,634 | $2,716,634 |

**56.3** *Recognize $45,985,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA 93.959. (S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

**56.100 Adult Addictive Diseases Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $49,026,174 | $51,867,808 | $51,867,808 |
| **State General Funds** | $49,026,174 | $51,867,808 | $51,867,808 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $93,715,308 | $96,556,942 | $96,556,942 |

**Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 |
| State General Funds | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| Sales and Services | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 |

**57.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $379 | $379 | $379 |

**57.2** *Increase funds for 100 additional slots for the New Options Waiver (NOW) and Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP) for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,957,356 | $1,957,356 | $1,957,356 |

**57.3** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,925,195 | $10,925,195 | $10,925,195 |

**57.4** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,541,873 | $1,541,873 | $1,541,873 |

**57.5** *Increase funds to annualize funds for a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $7,028,616 | $7,028,616 |

**57.6** *Increase funds for a 5% rate increase for intellectual and developmental disability providers with approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $12,343,735 | $12,343,735 |

**57.7** *Restore funds for non-waiver services in family support.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,656,799 | $4,656,799 |

**57.8** *Pending final approval by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, reflect the department's intent to amend Appendix K to provide a time-limited rate increase for providers serving the intellectual and developmental disability population, including adult day centers and residential services. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**57.9** *Pending final approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, reflect the intent to continue to serve the estimated 188 individuals who are currently receiving community living supports services who may be impacted by the COMP waiver renewal with alternate service(s). By December 1, 2021, provide a report to the chairs of the House Appropriations Human Resources Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Human Development and Public Health Subcommittee on how this population will continue to receive services based on their assessed need following the extended transition period. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**57.10** *Increase funds for respite services with priority to rural communities.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,500,000 |

**57.11** *Increase funds for Rockdale Cares for respite services.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 |

**57.100 Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $344,167,747 | $368,196,897 | $369,796,897 |
| **State General Funds** | $333,912,609 | $357,941,759 | $359,541,759 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $417,145,471 | $441,174,621 | $442,774,621 |

**Adult Forensic Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 |
| State General Funds | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| Sales and Services | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 |

**58.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $38,038 | $38,038 | $38,038 |

**58.2** *Increase funds to annualize the cost of the 40-bed forensic unit at West Central Regional Hospital in Columbus.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,651,193 | $4,651,193 | $4,651,193 |

**58.3** *Increase funds for six forensic peer mentors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $621,630 | $621,630 |

**58.100 Adult Forensic Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $109,329,242 | $109,950,872 | $109,950,872 |
| **State General Funds** | $109,329,242 | $109,950,872 | $109,950,872 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $109,355,742 | $109,977,372 | $109,977,372 |

**Adult Mental Health Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| State General Funds | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| Sales and Services | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 |

**59.1** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,335,605 | $2,335,605 | $2,335,605 |

**59.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $257,039 | $257,039 | $257,039 |

**59.3** *Utilize existing funds to expand the housing supports pilot program for the Georgia Housing Voucher Program. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**59.4** *Add funds to support the 988 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline pursuant to the 'National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020'.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $114,039 | $114,039 |

**59.5** *Add funds for suicide prevention related to the COVID-19 pandemic ($70,000) and one suicide epidemiologist ($107,748).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $177,748 | $177,748 |

**59.6** *Increase funds for core services to promote equity among providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $6,486,247 | $6,486,247 |

**59.7** *Increase funds for The Bradley Center at St. Francis-Emory Health Care for mental health crisis services.*

State General Funds $250,000

**59.8** *Increase funds for advancements in mental health telehealth capabilities.*

State General Funds $1,000,000

**59.9** *Recognize $45,491,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Community Mental Health Services Block Grants CFDA 93.958 for both child and adolescent and adult mental health needs. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

| **59.100 Adult Mental Health Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $437,945,363 | $444,723,397 | $445,973,397 |
| **State General Funds** | $437,945,363 | $444,723,397 | $445,973,397 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $450,894,411 | $457,672,445 | $458,922,445 |

| **Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances and promote a transition to productive living.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| State General Funds | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 |

**60.100 Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances and promote a transition to productive living.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 |

**Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| State General Funds | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 |

**61.100 Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 |

**Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| State General Funds | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

**62.100 Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| State General Funds | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Sales and Services | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 |

**63.1** *Increase funds to accelerate the expansion of the Georgia Apex Program.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |

**63.2** *Increase funds for mental health and suicide prevention training in schools ($12,900) and a youth suicide prevention specialist ($89,602).*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $102,502 | $102,502 |

**63.3** *Reduce funds for crisis respite home due to non-implementation.*

State General Funds ($1,480,822)

**63.4** *Recognize $45,491,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Community Mental Health Services Block Grants CFDA 93.958 for both child and adolescent and adult mental health needs. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

| **63.100 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $48,887,809 | $50,990,311 | $49,509,489 |
| **State General Funds** | $48,887,809 | $50,990,311 | $49,509,489 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $59,297,324 | $61,399,826 | $59,919,004 |

| **Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| State General Funds | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 |

**64.1** *Increase funds for four compliance specialists to review corrective action plans related to the Department of Justice (DOJ) Settlement Agreement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $355,080 | $355,080 | $355,080 |

**64.100 Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,064,664 | $36,064,664 | $36,064,664 |

**Direct Care Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 |
| State General Funds | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 |
| Royalties and Rents | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Sales and Services | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 |

**65.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $525 | $525 | $525 |

**65.2** *Provide funds for contracts for facility support.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $200,000 |

| **65.100 Direct Care Support Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $118,979,365 | $118,979,365 | $119,179,365 |
| **State General Funds** | $118,979,365 | $118,979,365 | $119,179,365 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Sales and Services** | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $122,852,406 | $122,852,406 | $123,052,406 |
| **Substance Abuse Prevention** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| State General Funds | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 |

| **66.100 Substance Abuse Prevention** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| **State General Funds** | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 |

**Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Council on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| State General Funds | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 |

**67.1** *Replace one-time other funds with state funds for the Inclusive Post-Secondary Education (IPSE) program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $67,157 | $67,157 | $67,157 |

**67.100 Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Council on** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $565,690 | $565,690 | $565,690 |
| **State General Funds** | $565,690 | $565,690 | $565,690 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,584,732 | $2,584,732 | $2,584,732 |

**Sexual Offender Review Board** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| State General Funds | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |

**68.100 Sexual Offender Review Board** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| **State General Funds** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |

***Section 16: Community Affairs, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 |
| State General Funds | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| Sales and Services | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| State Funds Transfers | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $104,567,394 | $99,885,831 | $99,692,394 |
| **State General Funds** | $104,567,394 | $99,885,831 | $99,692,394 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $288,598,198 | $283,916,635 | $283,723,198 |

**Building Construction** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| State General Funds | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| Sales and Services | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 |

**69.100 Building Construction** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed*

*enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| **State General Funds** | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 |

**Coordinated Planning** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| State General Funds | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |

**70.100 Coordinated Planning** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |

**Departmental Administration (DCA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| State General Funds | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| Sales and Services | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| State Funds Transfers | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 |

| **71.100 Departmental Administration (DCA)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| **Sales and Services** | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 |

| **Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| State General Funds | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| Sales and Services | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 |

**72.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $543 | $543 | $543 |

| **72.100 Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| **Sales and Services** | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $49,942,512 | $49,942,512 | $49,942,512 |

**Homeownership Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate-income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate-income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| Sales and Services | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 |

**73.100 Homeownership Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate-income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate-income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| **Sales and Services** | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 |

**Regional Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives; to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan; and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| State General Funds | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| Sales and Services | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 |

**74.100 Regional Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives; to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan; and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| **Sales and Services** | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 |

**Rental Housing Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| Sales and Services | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 |

**75.100 Rental Housing Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| **Sales and Services** | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 |

**Research and Surveys** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| State General Funds | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 |

**76.100 Research and Surveys** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| **State General Funds** | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 |

**Special Housing Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| State General Funds | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| Sales and Services | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| State Funds Transfers | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 |

**77.1** *Increase funds for the Southern Georgia Regional Commission's Area Agency on Aging.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $168,437 | $0 |

**77.2** *Recognize $12,351,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program CFDA 97.024. (S:YES)*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**77.100 Special Housing Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,062,892 | $3,231,329 | $3,062,892 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,062,892 | $3,231,329 | $3,062,892 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| **Sales and Services** | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,565,344 | $6,733,781 | $6,565,344 |

**State Community Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| State General Funds | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 |

**78.1** *Increase funds for preservation of historic sites.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000 |

**78.2** *Increase funds for Community Outreach in Action Food Bank.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000 |

**78.100 State Community Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,512,790 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,512,790 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,614,382 |

**State Economic Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| State General Funds | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| Sales and Services | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 |

**79.1** *Reduce funds and utilize existing uncommitted Regional Economic Business Assistance (REBA) funds to meet future obligations.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($5,000,000) | ($5,000,000) |

**79.100 State Economic Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $16,107,310 | $11,107,310 | $11,107,310 |
| **State General Funds** | $16,107,310 | $11,107,310 | $11,107,310 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| **Sales and Services** | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,583,398 | $11,583,398 | $11,583,398 |

**Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| State General Funds | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

**80.98** *Transfer funds and the Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority program from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Transportation as an attached agency pursuant to HB511 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($12,824,445) | ($12,824,445) | ($12,824,445) |

**Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| State General Funds | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |

**81.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District to complete the state's five-year water plan update. (S:Reduce funds for one-time funding for the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District to complete the state's five-year water plan update and reflect a base funding of $250,000)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($550,000) | ($550,000) | ($500,000) |

**81.100 Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,129,922 | $1,129,922 | $1,179,922 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,129,922 | $1,129,922 | $1,179,922 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,129,922 | $1,129,922 | $1,179,922 |

**Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by operating the Xpress bus service, conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Developments of Regional Impact.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| State General Funds | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |

**82.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **82.100 Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| **State General Funds** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |

| **Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the OneGeorgia Authority.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 |
| State General Funds | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 |

**83.1** *Increase funds to establish a Rural Innovation Fund to assist rural communities in developing targeted solutions for economic, medical, technological, or infrastructure challenges within their regions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $39,555,757 | $39,555,757 | $39,555,757 |

**83.2** *Increase funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |

**83.3** *Increase funds to hire a grant administrator and perform mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas. (S:Utilize existing industry and academic partners to evaluate mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 | $0 |

| **83.100 Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the OneGeorgia Authority.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $73,230,757 | $73,380,757 | $73,230,757 |
| **State General Funds** | $73,230,757 | $73,380,757 | $73,230,757 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $73,376,278 | $73,526,278 | $73,376,278 |

***Section 17: Community Health, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 |
| State General Funds | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| Hospital Authorities | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| Sales and Services | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,152,783,908 | $4,108,642,116 | $4,087,890,453 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,481,701,066 | $3,437,559,274 | $3,416,807,611 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $124,062,351 | $124,062,351 | $124,062,351 |
| **Nursing Home Provider Fees** | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,687,859,701 | $8,890,767,328 | $8,888,523,747 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $8,234,102,602 | $8,436,385,663 | $8,434,142,082 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $427,072,997 | $427,697,563 | $427,697,563 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $17,110,364,403 | $17,269,130,238 | $17,246,134,994 |

**Departmental Administration (DCH)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 |
| State General Funds | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 |
| State Funds Transfers | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 |

**84.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $311 | $311 | $311 |

**84.2** *Increase funds for prior authorization of independent laboratory services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 |

**84.3** *Increase funds to begin the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,625,513 | $2,625,513 | $2,625,513 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $7,929,084 | $7,929,084 | $7,929,084 |
| Total Public Funds: | $10,554,597 | $10,554,597 | $10,554,597 |

**84.4** *Reduce funds for one-time funding for planning and implementation of an All-Payer Claims Database. (S:Utilize existing funds ($750,000) and increase funds for operations of an All-Payer Claims Database)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($750,000) | ($750,000) | $50,000 |

**84.5** *Increase funds for two senior leadership positions to support the department's increasing workload. (S:Increase funds for three senior leadership positions to support the department's increasing workload including contract oversight and working with the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget on value based purchasing, quality, and outcomes-based reimbursement for Medicaid across all programs)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $556,456 | $834,684 |

**84.6** *Increase funds for a financial specialist.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $129,397 |

| **84.100 Departmental Administration (DCH)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $82,338,858 | $82,895,314 | $84,102,939 |
| **State General Funds** | $82,338,858 | $82,895,314 | $84,102,939 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $318,005,399 | $318,005,399 | $318,005,399 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $270,771,713 | $270,771,713 | $270,771,713 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $426,270,611 | $426,827,067 | $428,034,692 |

**Georgia Board of Dentistry** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| State General Funds | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |

**85.100 Georgia Board of Dentistry** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| **State General Funds** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |

**Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| State General Funds | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

**86.100 Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| **State General Funds** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

**Health Care Access and Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| State General Funds | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 |

**87.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time start-up funding for Federally Qualified Health Centers.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($500,000) | ($500,000) |

**87.2** *Increase funds for two Federally Qualified Health Center start-up grants in Jeff Davis County and Marion County.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $0 |

**87.3** *Reduce one-time funds for Rural Hospital Stabilization Grants from $15 million to $3 million and review the grant process and report potential new formal grant processes to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($12,000,000) |

**87.4** *Increase funds to provide an additional three year grant to rural hospitals for Electronic Intensive Care Units (EICU) to improve patient outcomes and reduce the need for long distance travel away from local communities to obtain this level of care.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 |

**87.5** *Eliminate funds for start-up funding for a charity clinic.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($100,000) |

**87.6** *Increase funds for South Central Primary Care Center dental program.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,000 |

| **87.100 Health Care Access and Improvement** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $13,254,076 |
| **State General Funds** | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $13,254,076 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $13,842,914 |

**Healthcare Facility Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 |
| State General Funds | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 |

**88.1** *Increase funds for contracts for nursing home surveys to ensure safe and healthy living conditions for residents of long term care and health care facilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 |

**88.2** *Increase funds to support strategic measures for stabilizing staffing in the nursing home program. (S:YES; Increase funds to support strategic measures for stabilizing staffing and addressing the surveying backlog in the nursing home program and submit reports twice a year addressing progress on implementation of the stabilization plan and the reduction of the survey backlog to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $7,454,466 | $7,454,466 |

**88.3** *Add funds for a deputy director position to support skilled nursing facility quality incentives.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $153,900 |

| **88.100 Healthcare Facility Regulation** | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,623,143 | $26,077,609 | $26,231,509 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,623,143 | $26,077,609 | $26,231,509 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,728,720 | $38,183,186 | $38,337,086 |

| **Indigent Care Trust Fund** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| Hospital Authorities | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| Sales and Services | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 |

**89.1** *Increase funds to annualize the state match for Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments for private deemed and non-deemed hospitals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $70,580,694 | $70,580,694 | $70,580,694 |
| Total Public Funds: | $105,580,694 | $105,580,694 | $105,580,694 |

**89.100 Indigent Care Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $505,243,187 | $505,243,187 | $505,243,187 |

**Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 |
| State General Funds | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| Hospital Authorities | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| State Funds Transfers | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 |

**90.1** *Reduce funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($72,078,593) | ($72,078,593) | ($72,078,593) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($145,615,738) | ($145,615,738) | ($145,615,738) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($217,694,331) | ($217,694,331) | ($217,694,331) |

**90.2** *Increase funds for the hold harmless provision in Medicare Part B premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,309,642 | $6,309,642 | $6,309,642 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $12,385,594 | $12,385,594 | $12,385,594 |
| Total Public Funds: | $18,695,236 | $18,695,236 | $18,695,236 |

**90.3** *Increase funds for the Medicare Part D Clawback payment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,463,107 | $6,463,107 | $6,463,107 |

**90.4** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. (H and S:Adjust funds to reflect savings from the temporary 6.2% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase through September 30, 2021)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $81,809,247 | $7,162,502 | $7,162,502 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($81,809,247) | ($7,162,502) | ($7,162,502) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.5** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $21,361,609 | $21,361,609 | $21,361,609 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($21,361,609) | ($21,361,609) | ($21,361,609) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.6** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,763,018) | ($2,763,018) | ($2,763,018) |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.7** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,104,879) | ($3,104,879) | ($3,104,879) |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $3,104,879 | $3,104,879 | $3,104,879 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.8** *Increase funds for a 2% rate increase for skilled nursing centers. (S:Update nursing home reimbursement rates and general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components to reflect 2019 cost reports with 3% inflation)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,932,550 | $11,363,188 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $24,117,450 | $22,914,906 |
| Total Public Funds: | $36,050,000 | $34,278,094 |

**90.9** *Increase funds for skilled nursing centers to update the general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components to current costs. (S:Reflect update on the general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components in 2019 cost reports on 90.8)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,470,204 | $0 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $7,013,796 | $0 |
| Total Public Funds: | $10,484,000 | $0 |

**90.10** *Increase funds for a 10% rate increase for home and community-based service providers. (S:Increase funds and utilize federal funds to reflect the 10% increase in FMAP for home and community-based providers from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,328,540 | $19,593,271 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $51,192,728 | $56,927,997 |
| Total Public Funds: | $76,521,268 | $76,521,268 |

**90.11** *Increase funds for a 3% increase in dental reimbursement rates for 15 select dental codes.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,505 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $61,641 |
| Total Public Funds: | $92,146 |

**90.12** *The department shall evaluate the feasibility of funding portable radiography and accredited mobile imaging services in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, or in the home. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**90.13** *Utilize existing state and enhanced American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 federal funds to provide supplemental quality incentive payments to eligible skilled nursing facilities. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

| **90.100 Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,117,026,826 | $2,083,111,375 | $2,073,367,045 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,911,443,670 | $1,877,528,219 | $1,867,783,889 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 |
| **Nursing Home Provider Fees** | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $39,462,576 | $39,462,576 | $39,462,576 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,111,842,802 | $4,268,813,521 | $4,266,394,091 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $4,109,055,588 | $4,266,026,307 | $4,263,606,877 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,558,501,248 | $6,681,556,516 | $6,669,392,756 |

**Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| Hospital Authorities | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| State Funds Transfers | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 |

**91.1** *Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $132,228,023 | $132,228,023 | $132,228,023 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $267,131,757 | $267,131,757 | $267,131,757 |
| Total Public Funds: | $399,359,780 | $399,359,780 | $399,359,780 |

**91.2** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. (H and S:Adjust funds to reflect savings from the temporary 6.2% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase through September 30, 2021)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $78,944,842 | $47,977,836 | $47,977,836 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($78,944,842) | ($47,977,836) | ($47,977,836) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.3** *Increase funds to restore a one-time reduction from retro rate amendment and risk corridors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $51,097,342 | $51,097,342 | $51,097,342 |

**91.4** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $62,089,929 | $62,089,929 | $62,089,929 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.5** *Reduce funds to reflect a repeal of the Health Insurer Fee (HIF) Moratorium.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($38,545,835) | ($38,545,835) | ($38,545,835) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($78,605,856) | ($78,605,856) | ($78,605,856) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($117,151,691) | ($117,151,691) | ($117,151,691) |

**91.6** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $13,080,620 | $13,080,620 | $13,080,620 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($13,080,620) | ($13,080,620) | ($13,080,620) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.7** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.92% to 76.80%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $678,663 | $678,663 | $678,663 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($678,663) | ($678,663) | ($678,663) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.8** *Replace funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($27,351,143) | ($27,351,143) | ($27,351,143) |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $27,351,143 | $27,351,143 | $27,351,143 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.9** *Increase funds to begin implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $65,460,836 | $65,460,836 | $65,460,836 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $132,007,749 | $132,007,749 | $132,007,749 |
| Total Public Funds: | $197,468,585 | $197,468,585 | $197,468,585 |

**91.10** *Increase funds to increase 18 select primary care and OB/GYN codes to 2020 Medicare levels.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,097,618 | $7,097,618 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $14,345,336 | $14,345,336 |
| Total Public Funds: | $21,442,954 | $21,442,954 |

**91.11** *Increase funds for a 3% increase in dental reimbursement rates for 15 select dental codes.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $84,765 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $171,284 |
| Total Public Funds: | $256,049 |

| **91.100 Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,706,346,927 | $1,682,477,539 | $1,682,562,304 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,240,847,241 | $1,216,977,853 | $1,217,062,618 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $117,870,545 | $117,870,545 | $117,870,545 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $347,629,141 | $347,629,141 | $347,629,141 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,520,142,165 | $3,565,454,507 | $3,565,625,791 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $3,520,142,165 | $3,565,454,507 | $3,565,625,791 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,252,234,255 | $5,273,677,209 | $5,273,933,258 |
| **PeachCare** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 |
| State General Funds | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| State Funds Transfers | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 |
| **92.1** *Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $4,013,032 | $4,013,032 | $4,013,032 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $14,199,875 | $14,199,875 | $14,199,875 |
| Total Public Funds: | $18,212,907 | $18,212,907 | $18,212,907 |

**92.2** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. (H and S:Adjust funds to reflect savings from the temporary 6.2% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase through September 30, 2021)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,671,721 | $4,047,155 | $4,047,155 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | ($4,671,721) | ($4,047,155) | ($4,047,155) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**92.3** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.92% to 76.80%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $775,065 | $775,065 | $775,065 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | ($775,065) | ($775,065) | ($775,065) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**92.4** *Increase funds for a 3% increase in dental reimbursement rates for 15 select dental codes.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,377 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $4,565 |
| Total Public Funds: | $5,942 |

| **92.100 PeachCare** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $76,661,712 | $76,037,146 | $76,038,523 |
| **State General Funds** | $76,661,712 | $76,037,146 | $76,038,523 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $397,618,257 | $398,242,823 | $398,247,388 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | | | $4,565 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $397,618,257 | $398,242,823 | $398,242,823 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $474,431,752 | $474,431,752 | $474,437,694 |
| **State Health Benefit Plan** | | **Continuation Budget** | |

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |

**93.1** *Increase funds for a pilot program for a drug deactivation system that provides a safe disposal of unused prescription and over-the-counter medications. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds for pilot program for drug disposal or deactivation of prescription drugs)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $0 |

**93.2** *Utilize existing funds to begin a pilot program for the use of care coordination and technology in rural areas for patients with chronic medical conditions. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**93.100 State Health Benefit Plan** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $500,000 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $500,000 | $0 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,779,350 | $3,745,279,350 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Board Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| State General Funds | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |

| **94.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Board Administration** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |

| **Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Graduate Medical Education** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| State General Funds | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |

**95.1** *Increase funds to reflect a reduction in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.30% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $245,075 | $245,075 | $245,075 |

**95.2** *Increase funds for 188 new residency slots in primary care medicine.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,580,761 | $2,580,761 | $2,580,761 |

**95.3** *Coordinate with medical education programs to develop a graduate medical education program to address the shortage of medical examiners. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:Increase funds to coordinate with medical education programs to develop graduate medical programs to address the shortage of medical examiners and forensic pathologists)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $250,000 |

**95.4** *Increase funds for the initial planning work for the establishment of a graduate medical education program at Southeast Georgia Health System. (S:Increase funds for the development and implementation of a formal grant program for new graduate medical education programs in Georgia, and report on the grant process and the evaluation of the need for additional graduate medical education throughout the state to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $180,000 | $350,000 |

| **95.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Graduate Medical Education** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,787,190 | $24,967,190 | $25,387,190 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,787,190 | $24,967,190 | $25,387,190 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,787,190 | $24,967,190 | $25,387,190 |

| **Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Mercer School of Medicine Grant** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| State General Funds | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **96.1** *Increase funds for the second year of the seven-year plan for Mercer School of Medicine's medical school campus in Columbus.* | | |
| State General Funds | $5,326,691 | $5,326,691 |
| **96.2** *Increase funds for a medical examiner/forensic pathologist at Mercer School of Medicine.* | | |
| State General Funds | $250,000 | $0 |

| **96.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Mercer School of Medicine Grant** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,881,103 | $30,457,794 | $30,207,794 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,881,103 | $30,457,794 | $30,207,794 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,881,103 | $30,457,794 | $30,207,794 |

| **Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine and affiliated hospitals to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| State General Funds | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |

**97.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine and affiliated hospitals to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Physicians for Rural Areas** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| State General Funds | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |

**98.1** *Increase funds to expand physician loan forgiveness program to include forensic pathology fellowship program at Georgia Bureau of Investigation in partnership with Medical College of Georgia.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000 |

**98.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Physicians for Rural Areas** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,780,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,780,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,780,000 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Undergraduate Medical Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| State General Funds | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |

**99.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Undergraduate Medical Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |

**Georgia Composite Medical Board** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to license qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| State General Funds | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Sales and Services | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 |

**100.100 Georgia Composite Medical Board** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to license qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 |

**Drugs and Narcotics Agency, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| State General Funds | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

**101.100 Drugs and Narcotics Agency, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

***Section 18: Community Supervision, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 |
| State General Funds | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| Sales and Services | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $166,417,855 | $166,417,855 | $165,165,905 |
| **State General Funds** | $166,417,855 | $166,417,855 | $165,165,905 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **Sales and Services** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $166,895,051 | $166,895,051 | $165,643,101 |

**Departmental Administration (DCS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| State General Funds | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |

**102.1** *Develop an electronic monitoring supervision program using innovative 21st century technology on offenders being supervised by the Department of Community Supervision. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**102.100 Departmental Administration (DCS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |

**Field Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve Georgia citizens through effective and efficient offender supervision in communities, while providing opportunities for successful outcomes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 |
| State General Funds | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| Sales and Services | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 |

**103.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $706 | $706 | $706 |

**103.2** *Reduce funds for contracts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($1,251,950) |

**103.100 Field Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve Georgia citizens through effective and efficient offender supervision in communities, while providing opportunities for successful outcomes.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $152,117,342 | $152,117,342 | $150,865,392 |
| **State General Funds** | $152,117,342 | $152,117,342 | $150,865,392 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $152,127,342 | $152,127,342 | $150,875,392 |

**Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a collaboration of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders to develop and execute a systematic reentry plan for Georgia offenders and ensure the delivery of services to reduce recidivism and support the success of returning citizens.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| State General Funds | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |

**104.100 Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a collaboration of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders to develop and execute a systematic reentry plan for Georgia offenders and ensure the delivery of services to reduce recidivism and support the success of returning citizens.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |

**Misdemeanor Probation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of all governmental and private misdemeanor probation providers through inspection and investigation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| State General Funds | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |

**105.100 Misdemeanor Probation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of all governmental and private misdemeanor probation providers through inspection and investigation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| **State General Funds** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |

**Family Violence, Georgia Commission on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the study and evaluation of needs and services relating to family violence in Georgia, develop models for community task forces on family violence, provide training and continuing education on the dynamics of family violence, and develop standards to be used in the certification and regulation of Family Violence Intervention Programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| State General Funds | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| Sales and Services | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 |

**106.100 Family Violence, Georgia Commission on** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the study and evaluation of needs and services relating to family violence in Georgia, develop models for community task forces on family violence, provide training and continuing education on the dynamics of family violence, and develop standards to be used in the certification and regulation of Family Violence Intervention Programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| **State General Funds** | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **Sales and Services** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 |

***Section 19: Corrections, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 |
| State General Funds | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| Sales and Services | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 |

| | Section Total - Final | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **Sales and Services** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,141,357,349 | $1,141,357,349 | $1,141,357,349 |

**County Jail Subsidy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| State General Funds | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

**107.100 County Jail Subsidy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

**Departmental Administration (DOC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| State General Funds | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |

**108.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $897 | $897 | $897 |

**108.2** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**108.100 Departmental Administration (DOC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 |

**Detention Centers** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 |
| State General Funds | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| Sales and Services | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 |

**109.1** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons program to the Detention Centers program due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system for a contract rate increase for residential substance abuse treatment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,016,262 | $3,016,262 | $3,016,262 |

**109.2** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**109.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

| **109.100 Detention Centers** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 |
| **State General Funds** | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $53,310,059 | $53,310,059 | $53,310,059 |

| **Food and Farm Operations** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| State General Funds | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |

**110.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **110.100 Food and Farm Operations** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| **State General Funds** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |

| **Health** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates of the state correctional system.* | | | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 |
| State General Funds | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| Sales and Services | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 |

**111.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,193 | $1,193 | $1,193 |

**111.100 Health** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates of the state correctional system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 |
| **State General Funds** | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $248,052,860 | $248,052,860 | $248,052,860 |

**Offender Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| State General Funds | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Sales and Services | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 |

**112.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**112.100 Offender Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| **State General Funds** | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 |

**Private Prisons** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public safety.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| State General Funds | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |

**113.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**113.100 Private Prisons** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public safety.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| **State General Funds** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |

**State Prisons** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 |
| State General Funds | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| Sales and Services | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 |

**114.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,382 | $9,382 | $9,382 |

**114.2** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons program to the Detention Centers program due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system for a contract rate increase for residential substance abuse treatment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,016,262) | ($3,016,262) | ($3,016,262) |

**114.3** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**114.4** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**114.100 State Prisons** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 |
| **State General Funds** | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $582,299,934 | $582,299,934 | $582,299,934 |

**Transition Centers** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| State General Funds | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

**115.1** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**115.2** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**115.100 Transition Centers** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

***Section 20: Defense, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| State General Funds | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Royalties and Rents | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Sales and Services | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $122,885,232 | $122,885,232 | $122,885,232 |

**Departmental Administration (DOD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| State General Funds | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 |

**116.100 Departmental Administration (DOD)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 |

**Military Readiness** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and maintain facilities for the training of Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force personnel, and to provide an organized militia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| State General Funds | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Royalties and Rents | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Sales and Services | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 |

| **117.100 Military Readiness** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and maintain facilities for the training of Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force personnel, and to provide an organized militia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 |

| **Youth Educational Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| State General Funds | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| Sales and Services | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 |

| **118.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $107 | $107 | $107 |

| **118.100 Youth Educational Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,019,713 | $19,019,713 | $19,019,713 |

***Section 21: Driver Services, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 |
| State General Funds | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| Sales and Services | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $63,127,927 | $66,622,794 | $65,612,340 |
| **State General Funds** | $63,127,927 | $66,622,794 | $65,612,340 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $65,972,048 | $69,466,915 | $68,456,461 |

**Departmental Administration (DDS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| State General Funds | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| Sales and Services | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 |

**119.100 Departmental Administration (DDS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **Sales and Services** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 |

**License Issuance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 |
| State General Funds | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| Sales and Services | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 |

**120.1** *Utilize savings from reduced mainframe usage to fund maintenance and operations for the DRIVES system. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**120.2** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to address high turnover and retain critical positions in customer service centers, the contact center, help desk, central issuance, and records management. (S:Increase funds to raise salary plans by $2,000 for critical positions in customer service centers, the contact center, help desk, central issuance, and records management)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $3,244,867 | $2,234,413 |

**120.3** *Increase funds to provide a voter identification outreach program to facilitate the Georgia I.D. registration process.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $250,000 | $250,000 |

| **120.100 License Issuance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $52,898,165 | $56,393,032 | $55,382,578 |
| **State General Funds** | $52,898,165 | $56,393,032 | $55,382,578 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $54,726,000 | $58,220,867 | $57,210,413 |

| **Regulatory Compliance** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| State General Funds | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| Sales and Services | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 |

**121.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $836 | $836 | $836 |

| **121.100 Regulatory Compliance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $810,624 | $810,624 | $810,624 |
| **State General Funds** | $810,624 | $810,624 | $810,624 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **Sales and Services** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,326,053 | $1,326,053 | $1,326,053 |

***Section 22: Early Care and Learning, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 |
| State General Funds | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $434,956,103 | $440,286,101 | $440,286,101 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,226,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $380,729,868 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 |
| **CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596** | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $907,250,950 | $912,580,948 | $912,580,948 |

**Child Care Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| State General Funds | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 |

**122.1** *Increase funds for the Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) program to provide assistance to low-income families for the cost of childcare.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |

**122.2** *Recognize $606,960,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Child Care and Development Block Grant CFDA 93.575. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**122.3** *Recognize $26,728,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Head Start Coordination CFDA 93.600. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**122.4** *Recognize $970,772,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Child Care Stabilization Grants. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**122.5** *Recognize $17,504,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for an increase in the matching portion of the CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA 93.596. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**122.100 Child Care Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,226,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,226,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 |
| **CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596** | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $320,518,848 | $324,018,848 | $324,018,848 |

**Nutrition Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

**123.100 Nutrition Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

**Pre-Kindergarten Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 |

**124.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $602,706 | $602,706 | $602,706 |

**124.2** *Increase formula funds for training and experience for Pre-K teachers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $1,475,848 | $1,475,848 | $1,475,848 |

**124.3** *Increase funds for Pre-K classroom operations by 2.5%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | | $1,748,849 | $1,748,849 |

**124.4** *Increase funds for one Pre-K Specialist position that was eliminated in FY2021.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | | $81,149 | $81,149 |

**124.100 Pre-Kindergarten Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $380,729,868 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $380,729,868 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $380,904,868 | $382,734,866 | $382,734,866 |

**Quality Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 |

**125.100 Quality Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 |

***Section 23: Economic Development, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 |
| State General Funds | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $31,067,472 | $33,907,146 | $31,483,146 |
| **State General Funds** | $31,067,472 | $33,907,146 | $31,483,146 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $31,726,872 | $34,566,546 | $32,142,546 |

**Departmental Administration (DEcD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| State General Funds | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |

**126.1** *Increase funds for rent to meet actual expenditures.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $155,000 | $155,000 |

**126.100 Departmental Administration (DEcD)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,816,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $4,816,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,816,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 |

**Film, Video, and Music** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| State General Funds | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |

**127.1** *Increase funds for personnel for a music project manager.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 |

**127.100 Film, Video, and Music** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,165,872 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,165,872 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,165,872 |

**Arts, Georgia Council for the** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| State General Funds | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |

**128.100 Arts, Georgia Council for the** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| **State General Funds** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |

**Georgia Council for the Arts - Special Project** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase arts participation and support throughout the state with grants for non-profit arts and cultural organizations through Partner Grants, Project Grants, Education Grants and the 'Grassroots' arts program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| State General Funds | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 |

**129.1** *Recognize $914,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the National Endowment for the Arts Grants CFDA 45.024+. (S:YES)*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**129.100 Georgia Council for the Arts - Special Project** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase arts participation and support throughout the state with grants for non-profit arts and cultural organizations through Partner Grants, Project Grants, Education Grants and the 'Grassroots' arts program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| **State General Funds** | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 |

**Global Commerce** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; and help develop international markets for Georgia*

*products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| State General Funds | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |

**130.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $480 | $480 | $480 |

**130.2** *Increase funds for one project manager position.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $85,860 | $85,860 |

**130.100 Global Commerce** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; and help develop international markets for Georgia products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,438,682 | $9,524,542 | $9,524,542 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,438,682 | $9,524,542 | $9,524,542 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,438,682 | $9,524,542 | $9,524,542 |

**International Relations and Trade** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop international markets for Georgia products and to attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| State General Funds | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |

**131.1** *Increase funds for inflationary costs to existing contracts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $0 | |

**131.100 International Relations and Trade** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop international markets for Georgia products and to attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 | $2,545,794 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 | $2,545,794 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 | $2,545,794 |

**Rural Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote rural economic development opportunities and to recruit, retain and expand businesses in rural communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| State General Funds | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

**132.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,186 | $0 | $0 |

**132.100 Rural Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote rural economic development opportunities and to recruit, retain and expand businesses in rural communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $454,181 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| **State General Funds** | $454,181 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $454,181 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

**Small and Minority Business Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers; and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| State General Funds | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |

**133.100 Small and Minority Business Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers; and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| **State General Funds** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |

**Tourism** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |
| State General Funds | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |

**134.1** *Increase funds to restore funds to the Georgia Historical Society to reflect a 10 percent budget reduction. (S:Increase funds to restore funds for the Georgia Historical Society)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $24,000 | $24,000 | $50,000 |

**134.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to the Georgia World Congress Center Authority for operations. (S:Recognize $2,926,789 in business interruption insurance funds to the Georgia World Congress Center Authority)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,500,000 | $0 |

**134.3** *Recognize $1,142,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for National Endowment for the Humanities Grants CFDA 45.129+. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

| **134.100 Tourism** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,368,545 | $12,868,545 | $10,394,545 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,368,545 | $12,868,545 | $10,394,545 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,368,545 | $12,868,545 | $10,394,545 |

***Section 24: Education, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 |
| State General Funds | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| Sales and Services | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,206,030,732 | $10,213,829,132 | $10,200,988,548 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,206,030,732 | $10,213,829,132 | $10,200,988,548 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,460,854 | $28,211,020 | $28,211,020 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| **Sales and Services** | $13,289,441 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $13,289,441 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,329,974,073 | $12,340,522,639 | $12,327,682,055 |

**Agricultural Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 |
| State General Funds | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 |

**135.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,231 | $36,449 | $36,449 |

**135.2** *Transfer funds from the Agricultural Education program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,643) | ($2,643) | ($2,643) |

**135.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the Area Teacher Program, Extended Day/Year, Young Farmers, and Youth Camps.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $505,727 | $589,272 | $589,272 |

**135.4** *Increase funds for five young farmer positions in Baldwin County, Fulton County, Pickens County, Ware County, and Worth County. (S:Increase funds for one young farmer position in Ware County)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $425,000 | $85,000 |

**135.100 Agricultural Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,219,903 | $11,763,666 | $11,423,666 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,219,903 | $11,763,666 | $11,423,666 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,763,263 | $15,307,026 | $14,967,026 |

**Business and Finance Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| State General Funds | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 |

**136.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,141 | $2,141 | $2,141 |

**136.2** *Transfer funds from the Business and Finance Administration program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($139,007) | ($139,007) | ($139,007) |

| **136.100 Business and Finance Administration** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| **Sales and Services** | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,533,221 | $16,533,221 | $16,533,221 |

**Central Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| State General Funds | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| Sales and Services | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 |

**137.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,715 | $6,715 | $6,715 |

**137.2** *Transfer funds from the Central Office program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($68,941) | ($68,941) | ($68,941) |

**137.100 Central Office** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **Sales and Services** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,902,111 | $28,902,111 | $28,902,111 |

**Charter Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| State General Funds | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 |

**138.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $759 | $759 | $759 |

**138.2** *Transfer funds from the Charter Schools program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,740) | ($6,740) | ($6,740) |

**138.3** *Increase funds for charter facility grants pursuant to HB430 (2017 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |

**138.100 Charter Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,105,609 | $5,105,609 | $5,105,609 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,105,609 | $5,105,609 | $5,105,609 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,580,609 | $28,580,609 | $28,580,609 |

**Communities in Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |
| State General Funds | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |

**139.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to local affiliates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $85,686 | $85,686 | $85,686 |

**139.100 Communities in Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |

**Curriculum Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 |
| State General Funds | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 |

**140.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,785 | $7,785 | $7,785 |

**140.2** *Transfer funds from the Curriculum Development program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($80,586) | ($80,586) | ($80,586) |

**140.3** *Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Curriculum Development program for the Rural Teacher Training Initiative. (S:Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Curriculum Development program for the Rural Teacher Training Initiative. Any training provided for the initiative will be outside of the regular school day in order to not remove teachers from the classroom)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $323,000 | $323,000 |

**140.4** *Increase funds for computer science grants per SB108 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,000,000 |

**140.5** *Increase funds to fund SB48 (2019 Session) screening mandate and a state educational agency dyslexia specialist.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,630,000 |

**140.6** *Increase funds for rural coding equipment in partnership with Georgia Cyber Center.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $240,000 |

**140.100 Curriculum Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,063,153 | $4,386,153 | $7,256,153 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,063,153 | $4,386,153 | $7,256,153 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,867,874 | $7,190,874 | $10,060,874 |

**Federal Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |

**141.1** *Recognize $89,976,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Special Education Grants for States CFDA 84.027 to fund grants to states, preschool, and infants & toddlers. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**141.2** *Recognize $65,585,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools CFDA 84.425R. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**141.100 Federal Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |

**Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 |
| State General Funds | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 |

**142.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

State General Funds $288,590 $288,590 $288,590

**142.2** *Reduce formula funds for enrollment and training and experience decline.*

State General Funds ($3,388,741) ($3,388,911) ($3,388,911)

**142.3** *Transfer funds from the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS) program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

State General Funds ($2,843) ($2,843) ($2,843)

**142.4** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the GNETS grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 |

**142.100 Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $53,366,100 | $53,365,930 | $53,365,930 |
| **State General Funds** | $53,366,100 | $53,365,930 | $53,365,930 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $64,688,902 | $64,688,732 | $64,688,732 |

**Georgia Virtual School** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| State General Funds | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| Sales and Services | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 |

**143.1** *Transfer funds from the Georgia Virtual School program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,452) | ($4,452) | ($4,452) |

**143.100 Georgia Virtual School** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **Sales and Services** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,110,452 | $10,110,452 | $10,110,452 |

**Information Technology Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| State General Funds | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 |

**144.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,921 | $9,921 | $9,921 |

**144.2** *Transfer funds from the Information Technology Services program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($179,738) | ($179,738) | ($179,738) |

**144.3** *Increase funds for a pilot program to provide access to STEM and AP STEM virtual courses to students in rural Georgia without district courses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $75,000 | $25,000 |

**144.100 Information Technology Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,068,455 | $19,143,455 | $19,093,455 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,068,455 | $19,143,455 | $19,093,455 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,477,722 | $19,552,722 | $19,502,722 |

**Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives including: children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |
| State General Funds | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |

**145.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $65,681 | $77,201 | $77,201 |

**145.2** *Reduce formula funds for Sparsity Grants based on enrollment decline. (H and S:Reduce formula funds for Sparsity Grants based on enrollment data)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($44,046) | ($249,472) | ($249,472) |

**145.3** *Reduce formula funds for Residential Treatment Facilities based on attendance. (S:This is the last year that the Senate will not fund Residential Treatment Facilities based on actual attendance data; it is imperative that a new formula is created in order to accurately reflect attendance and funding needs)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($846,116) | ($268,221) | ($482,027) |

**145.4** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to feminine hygiene grants. (H and S:Increase funds for feminine hygiene grants and prioritize grants to school systems that have low property tax wealth and high percentage of economically disadvantaged students)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $420,000 | $950,000 | $950,000 |

**145.5** *Increase funds for a Residential Treatment Facilities' budget analyst/grant manager. (S:Provide funds for half of a position to provide dedicated supervision over the Residential Treatment Facility educational programs and streamline data reporting)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $125,000 | $62,500 |

**145.6** *Reflect $268,221 in federal funds for Residential Treatment Facilities as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | |

| **145.100 Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives including: children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,724,543 | $14,763,532 | $14,487,226 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,724,543 | $14,763,532 | $14,487,226 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,724,543 | $14,763,532 | $14,487,226 |

| **Nutrition** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| State General Funds | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 |

**146.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $862 | $862 | $862 |

**146.2** *Transfer funds from the Nutrition program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($8,732) | ($8,732) | ($8,732) |

**146.3** *Increase funds for school nutrition.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $5,000,000 | $0 |

| **146.100 Nutrition** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,518,235 | $29,518,235 | $24,518,235 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,518,235 | $29,518,235 | $24,518,235 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $782,171,766 | $787,171,766 | $782,171,766 |

| **Preschool Disabilities Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |
| State General Funds | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **147.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $184,132 | $184,132 | $184,132 |
| **147.2** *Reduce formula funds based on enrollment decline.* | | | |
| State General Funds | ($4,887,959) | ($4,943,047) | ($4,943,047) |
| **147.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for grants.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 |

| **147.100 Preschool Disabilities Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,125,078 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $36,125,078 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,125,078 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 |

**Pupil Transportation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems in their efforts to provide safe and efficient transportation for students to and from school and school related activities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |
| State General Funds | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |

**148.1** *Increase funds for transportation grants based on formula growth.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $179,181 | $179,152 | $179,152 |

**148.100 Pupil Transportation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems in their efforts to provide safe and efficient transportation for students to and from school and school related activities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $136,541,271 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 |
| **State General Funds** | $136,541,271 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $136,541,271 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 |

**Quality Basic Education Equalization** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |
| State General Funds | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |

**149.1** *Increase formula funds for Equalization grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $71,919,829 | $71,918,887 | $71,918,887 |

**149.100 Quality Basic Education Equalization** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $797,972,047 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 |
| **State General Funds** | $797,972,047 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $797,972,047 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 |

**Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |
| State General Funds | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |

**150.1** *Adjust formula funds for Local Five Mill Share.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($111,838,943) | ($111,856,190) | ($111,856,190) |

**150.100 Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | ($2,170,746,175) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) |
| **State General Funds** | ($2,170,746,175) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | ($2,170,746,175) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) |

**Quality Basic Education Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |
| State General Funds | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |

**151.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $57,319,574 | $57,348,142 | $57,348,142 |

**151.2** *Reduce funds for formula earnings for the 2021-2022 school year due to declining enrollment. (H and S:Adjust funds for enrollment decline (($110,561,954)) and an increase in training and experience and health insurance ($58,166,829))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($166,085,556) | ($52,395,125) | ($52,395,125) |

**151.3** *Increase formula funds for the State Commission Charter School supplement. (S:Increase formula funds for the State Commission Charter School supplement enrollment growth ($35,678,100) and eliminate State Commission Charter School supplemental funding for system-collaborative state charter schools (($41,029,926)))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $36,239,723 | $35,678,100 | ($5,351,826) |

**151.4** *Increase formula funds for the charter system grant.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $16,803 | $22,323 | $22,323 |

**151.5** *Reduce formula funds for differentiated pay for newly certified math and science teachers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($893,044) | ($863,849) | ($863,849) |

**151.6** *Increase formula funds for training and experience ($96,595,772) and health insurance ($17,021,340). (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $113,617,112 | $0 | $0 |

**151.7** *Maintain current funding and hold harmless for formula reduction for school nurse funding ($1,067,491). (G:YES)(H and S:YES; Maintain current funding and hold harmless for formula reduction for school nurse funding ($1,112,120))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**151.8** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 education. (H and S:Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 education in QBE ($554,905,095) and other grants ($12,641,468))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 |

**151.9** *Increase funds for grants for system-collaborative state charter schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $37,018,645 |

**151.10** *Recognize $4,249,371,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425D. (S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

| **151.100 Quality Basic Education Program** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,160,581,098 | $11,160,156,077 | $11,156,144,796 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,160,581,098 | $11,160,156,077 | $11,156,144,796 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,160,581,098 | $11,160,156,077 | $11,156,144,796 |

| **Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development, technology training, and other shared services.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| State General Funds | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| **152.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $44,861 | $21,071 | $21,071 |
| **152.2** *Reduce formula funds for RESAs based on enrollment decline.* | | | |
| State General Funds | ($337,465) | ($162,941) | ($162,941) |
| **152.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for grants to RESAs.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $889,508 | $889,508 | $889,508 |

| **152.100 Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development, technology training, and other shared services.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,844,912 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,844,912 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,844,912 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 |

**School Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low- performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| State General Funds | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 |

**153.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,691 | $10,691 | $10,691 |

**153.2** *Transfer funds from the School Improvement program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($55,507) | ($55,507) | ($55,507) |

**153.100 School Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low- performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,739,752 | $16,739,752 | $16,739,752 |

**State Charter School Commission Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| Sales and Services | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |

**154.1** *Reflect increased other funds ($2,750,166) for Commission administration associated with increased enrollment in State Charter Schools per O.C.G.A. 20-2-2089(b). (G:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 |

**154.100 State Charter School Commission Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |

**State Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 |
| State General Funds | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| Sales and Services | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 |

**155.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $46,986 | $46,986 | $46,986 |

**155.2** *Increase formula funds for training and experience.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $211,362 | $211,362 | $211,362 |

**155.3** *Transfer funds from the State Schools program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,192) | ($6,192) | ($6,192) |

**155.4** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**155.100 State Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 |
| **State General Funds** | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| **Sales and Services** | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,977,975 | $32,977,975 | $32,977,975 |

**Technology/Career Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 |
| State General Funds | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| Sales and Services | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 |

**156.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,474 | $73,991 | $73,991 |

**156.2** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for Extended Day/Year, Vocational Supervisors, Industry Certification, and Youth Apprenticeship programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $674,030 | $840,924 | $674,030 |

**156.3** *Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($27,754) | ($27,754) | ($27,754) |

**156.4** *Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Curriculum Development program for the Rural Teacher Training Initiative.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($323,000) | ($323,000) |

**156.5** *Reduce funds for unimplemented pilot program.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($250,000) |

| **156.100 Technology/Career Education** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,971,983 | $18,887,394 | $18,470,500 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,971,983 | $18,887,394 | $18,470,500 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| **Sales and Services** | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,317,443 | $70,232,854 | $69,815,960 |

| **Testing** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 |
| State General Funds | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 |

**157.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,327 | $9,327 | $9,327 |

**157.2** *Increase funds ($4,732,747) and recognize rent savings ($633,356) from implementing a remote workforce model to administer Georgia Milestones in accordance with federal requirements. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $5,315,882 | $5,315,882 | ($50,221) |

**157.3** *Increase funds for a pilot program for Computer Science Principles AP exams with a focus on schools and systems with no AP coursework.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $250,000 | $0 |

**157.100 Testing** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $25,249,989 | $25,499,989 | $19,883,886 |
| **State General Funds** | $25,249,989 | $25,499,989 | $19,883,886 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $51,318,246 | $51,568,246 | $45,952,143 |

**Tuition for Multiple Disability Students** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to provide an appropriate program for a multi-disabled student.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |
| State General Funds | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |

**158.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $93,117 | $93,117 | $93,117 |

**158.100 Tuition for Multiple Disability Students** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to provide an appropriate program for a multi-disabled student.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |

**The formula calculation for Quality Basic Education funding assumes a base unit cost of $2,789.65. In addition, all local school system allotments for Quality Basic Education shall be made in accordance with funds appropriated by this Act.**

***Section 25: Employees' Retirement System of Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| State General Funds | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| State Funds Transfers | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| Retirement Payments | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $33,624,665 | $35,224,665 | $35,224,665 |
| **State General Funds** | $33,624,665 | $35,224,665 | $35,224,665 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $62,549,499 | $64,149,499 | $64,149,499 |

**Deferred Compensation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |

**159.100 Deferred Compensation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |

**Georgia Military Pension Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| State General Funds | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |

**160.1** *Increase funds for the actuarially determined employer contribution in accordance with the most recent actuarial report.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $13,382 | $13,382 | $13,382 |

**160.100 Georgia Military Pension Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 |

**Public School Employees Retirement System** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| State General Funds | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |

**161.1** *Increase funds for the actuarially determined employer contribution in accordance with the most recent actuarial report.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $627,000 | $627,000 | $627,000 |

**161.2** *Increase funds for an increase in the PSERS multiplier from $15.50 per year of service to $15.75 per year of service.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,600,000 | $1,600,000 |

**161.100 Public School Employees Retirement System** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,891,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,891,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,891,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 |

**System Administration (ERS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| State General Funds | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| State Funds Transfers | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Retirement Payments | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 |

**162.1** *The Board of Trustees is urged to consider a benefit adjustment for retired state employees in accordance with sound actuary principles. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **162.100 System Administration (ERS)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| **State General Funds** | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 |

**It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed 24.63% for New Plan employees and 19.88% for Old Plan employees. For the GSEPS employees, the employer contribution rate shall not exceed 21.57% for the pension portion of the benefit and 3.0% in employer match contributions for the 401(k) portion of the benefit. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution for Public School Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed $888.52 per member for State Fiscal Year 2022.**

***Section 26: Forestry Commission, State***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 |
| State General Funds | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| Royalties and Rents | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Sales and Services | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| State Funds Transfers | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $35,588,732 | $35,773,368 | $35,769,179 |
| **State General Funds** | $35,588,732 | $35,773,368 | $35,769,179 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $52,052,268 | $52,236,904 | $52,232,715 |

**Commission Administration (SFC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| State General Funds | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| Sales and Services | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 |

**163.1** *Transfer funds from the Forest Management program to the Commission Administration (SFC) program for one position.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $101,806 | $101,806 | $101,806 |

**163.2** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $10,633 | $10,633 |

**163.100 Commission Administration (SFC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,691,915 | $3,702,548 | $3,702,548 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,691,915 | $3,702,548 | $3,702,548 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **Sales and Services** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,323,495 | $4,334,128 | $4,334,128 |

**Forest Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote*

*retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| State General Funds | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| Sales and Services | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| State Funds Transfers | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 |

**164.1** *Transfer funds from the Forest Management program to the Commission Administration (SFC) program for one position.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($101,806) | ($101,806) | ($101,806) |

**164.2** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $24,810 | $24,810 |

**164.100 Forest Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,466,019 | $3,490,829 | $3,490,829 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,466,019 | $3,490,829 | $3,490,829 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,287,902 | $8,312,712 | $8,312,712 |

**Forest Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits, to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 |
| State General Funds | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| Royalties and Rents | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Sales and Services | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 |

**165.1** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $145,004 | $145,004 |

**165.100 Forest Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits, to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,430,798 | $28,575,802 | $28,575,802 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,430,798 | $28,575,802 | $28,575,802 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $38,233,791 | $38,378,795 | $38,378,795 |

**Tree Seedling Nursery** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| Sales and Services | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 |

**166.1** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $4,189 | $0 |

**166.100 Tree Seedling Nursery** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $4,189 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $4,189 | $0 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,207,080 | $1,211,269 | $1,207,080 |

***Section 27: Governor, Office of the***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $58,264,184 | $48,891,194 | $50,361,194 |
| **State General Funds** | $58,264,184 | $48,891,194 | $50,361,194 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $89,882,280 | $80,509,290 | $81,979,290 |

**Governor's Emergency Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |
| State General Funds | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |

**167.1** *Reduce funds to reflect FY2020 base funding level.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) |

**167.100 Governor's Emergency Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 |

**Governor's Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $60,000.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| State General Funds | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |

**168.1** *Recognize $4,654,502,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Georgia:*

*(A) to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;*

*(B) to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the State, territory, or Tribal government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;*

*(C) for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such State, territory, or Tribal government due to the COVID–19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the State, territory, or Tribal government prior to the emergency; or*

*(D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.*

*(S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**168.2** *Recognize $261,682,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund for Georgia to carry out projects to support work, education and health monitoring during COVID-19. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**168.100 Governor's Office** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $60,000.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |

**Planning and Budget, Governor's Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| State General Funds | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |

**169.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

State General Funds $1,037 $1,037 $1,037

**169.2** *Increase funds to establish the Office of Health Strategy and Coordination.*

State General Funds $1,220,000

**169.100 Planning and Budget, Governor's Office of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,690,538 | $9,690,538 | $10,910,538 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,690,538 | $9,690,538 | $10,910,538 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,690,538 | $9,690,538 | $10,910,538 |

**Equal Opportunity, Georgia Commission on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 |
| State General Funds | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $788,527 | $788,527 | $788,527 |

**170.1** *Increase funds for two equal employment compliance officers to investigate additional employment discrimination cases and leverage additional federal funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $113,320 | $113,320 | $113,320 |

**170.100 Equal Opportunity, Georgia Commission on** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $870,847 | $870,847 | $870,847 |
| **State General Funds** | $870,847 | $870,847 | $870,847 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $901,847 | $901,847 | $901,847 |

**Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact for the federal Department of Homeland Security.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| State General Funds | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 |

**171.1** *Recognize $2,679,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Emergency Management Performance Grants CFDA 97.042. (S:YES)*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**171.100 Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact for the federal Department of Homeland Security.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 |

**Professional Standards Commission, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| State General Funds | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 |

**172.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,745 | $1,745 | $1,745 |

**172.2** *Redirect $32,815 in savings from real estate rental costs to modernize IT applications to improve operational and customer service for teachers. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**172.3** *Increase funds for personnel to meet program needs in the Ethics Division and Educator Preparation Division.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $140,720 | $140,720 |

**172.4** *Increase funds for Troops to Teachers. (S:Increase funds for Troops to Teachers and provide minimum standards of instruction for those seeking provisional and alternative certification, which must be completed prior to an alternative or provisional certification employee being assigned to a classroom, unless they are an adjunct instructor)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $197,002 | $197,002 |

**172.100 Professional Standards Commission, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,728,246 | $7,065,968 | $7,065,968 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,728,246 | $7,065,968 | $7,065,968 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,804,304 | $8,142,026 | $8,142,026 |

**Student Achievement, Governor's Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform policy and budget efforts.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |
| State General Funds | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |

**173.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,488 | $2,488 | $2,488 |

**173.2** *Reflect funds for Governor's School Leadership Academy ($1,700,000); Governor's Honors Program ($1,600,000); Growing Readers ($1,500,000); GA Awards ($1,803,000); research and academic audits ($900,175); and personnel and operations ($1,274,262). (H:YES)(S:YES)*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**173.3** *Increase funds for the Growing Readers program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $100,000 | $100,000 |

**173.4** *Increase funds for the Governor's School Leadership Academy.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $150,000 |

**173.5** *Increase funds for a Law Enforcement Teaching Students (LETS) program and leverage matching funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $250,000 |

**173.100 Student Achievement, Governor's Office of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform policy and budget efforts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,779,925 | $9,029,925 | $9,279,925 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,779,925 | $9,029,925 | $9,279,925 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,779,925 | $9,029,925 | $9,279,925 |

**Child Advocate, Office of the** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| State General Funds | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

| **174.100 Child Advocate, Office of the** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| **State General Funds** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

| **Office of the State Inspector General** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| State General Funds | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |

| **175.1** *Increase funds for one vehicle and automation of sexual harassment complaint submissions into case management system.* | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $39,288 | $39,288 |

| **175.100 Office of the State Inspector General** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,351,189 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,351,189 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,351,189 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 |

**The Mansion allowance shall be $60,000.**

***Section 28: Human Services, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 |
| State General Funds | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| Sales and Services | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 |
| State Funds Transfers | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $803,994,896 | $804,946,596 | $816,664,560 |
| **State General Funds** | $803,643,891 | $804,595,591 | $816,313,555 |
| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,049,013,578 | $1,049,013,578 | $1,049,013,578 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $490,827,191 | $490,827,191 | $490,827,191 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $82,792,198 | $82,792,198 | $82,792,198 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604** | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| **Sales and Services** | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,881,441,290 | $1,882,392,990 | $1,894,110,954 |

**Adoptions Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| State General Funds | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 |

**176.1** *Increase funds for caseload growth in adoptions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,517,500 | $4,517,500 | $4,517,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,967,433 | $7,967,433 | $7,967,433 |
| Total Public Funds: | $12,484,933 | $12,484,933 | $12,484,933 |

**176.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $114,265 | $114,265 | $114,265 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | ($114,265) | ($114,265) | ($114,265) |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**176.100 Adoptions Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 |
| **State General Funds** | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $82,875,243 | $82,875,243 | $82,875,243 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,376,593 | $70,376,593 | $70,376,593 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $124,658,938 | $124,658,938 | $124,658,938 |

**After School Care** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |

**177.1** *Increase funds to support community partnerships to stem learning loss due to COVID-19 for K-12 students.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,727,964 |

**177.100 After School Care** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $0 | $4,727,964 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $0 | $4,727,964 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $20,227,964 |

**Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| State General Funds | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 |

**178.1** *Recognize $1,135,678 in marriage and divorce fee collections for the Children's Trust Fund for child abuse and neglect prevention. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**178.2** *Recognize $8,397,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants CFDA 93.590. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**178.100 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 |

**Child Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 |
| State General Funds | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| State Funds Transfers | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 |

**179.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $64 | $64 | $64 |

**179.100 Child Support Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $109,700,100 | $109,700,100 | $109,700,100 |

**Child Welfare Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 |
| State General Funds | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| State Funds Transfers | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 |

**180.1** *Restore funds for contracts for educational services with the Multi-Agency Alliance for Children.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $951,700 | $951,700 |

**180.2** *Increase funds for contracts for vocational training services with Broken Shackle Ranch.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $200,000 |

**180.3** *Increase funds for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) for development and start-up for underserved Echols, Henry and Lowndes Counties.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $65,000 |

**180.4** *Recognize $3,336,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants CFDA 93.669. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

| **180.100 Child Welfare Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $194,072,274 | $195,023,974 | $195,288,974 |
| **State General Funds** | $194,072,274 | $195,023,974 | $195,288,974 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 |
| **TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604** | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $397,390,301 | $398,342,001 | $398,607,001 |

| **Community Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

**181.100 Community Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

**Departmental Administration (DHS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 |
| State General Funds | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| State Funds Transfers | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 |

**182.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $375 | $375 | $375 |

**182.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced-Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.92% to 76.80%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $496,313 | $496,313 | $496,313 |

**182.3** *Increase funds to begin the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,251,485 | $7,251,485 | $7,251,485 |

**182.4** *Recognize $642,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Capital Assistance Programs for Elderly and Disabled Persons CFDA 20.513. (S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

**182.100 Departmental Administration (DHS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 |
| **State General Funds** | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,157,524 | $123,157,524 | $123,157,524 |

**Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| State General Funds | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 |

**183.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $389 | $389 | $389 |

**183.2** *Increase funds for personnel for 13 adult protective services caseworkers to investigate reports of abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation of seniors and adults with disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $973,765 | $973,765 | $973,765 |

**183.3** *Increase funds for personnel for three public guardianship caseworkers to coordinate and monitor all services needed for the health and welfare of guardianship clients.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $231,226 | $231,226 | $231,226 |

**183.4** *Increase funds for personnel for one central intake specialist to support the additional caseworkers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $71,956 | $71,956 | $71,956 |

**183.5** *Recognize $274,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Long Term Care Ombudsman Services CFDA 93.042. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**183.100 Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,499,909 | $27,499,909 | $27,499,909 |

**Elder Community Living Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| State General Funds | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 |

**184.1** *Recognize $12,345,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Aging Supportive & Senior Centers CFDA 93.044. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**184.2** *Recognize $20,365,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Special Programs for Aging-Nutrition Services CFDA 93.045. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**184.3** *Recognize $1,206,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Special Programs for Aging-Disease Prevention and Health Promotion CFDA 93.043. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**184.4** *Recognize $3,812,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for National Family Caregiver Support CFDA 93.052. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**184.98** *Transfer funds and 21 positions from the Elder Support Services program to the Elder Community Living Services program to consolidate program budgets and expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 |
| Total Public Funds: | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 |

**184.100 Elder Community Living Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 |
| **State General Funds** | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $37,667,070 | $37,667,070 | $37,667,070 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,716,727 | $30,716,727 | $30,716,727 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $6,950,343 | $6,950,343 | $6,950,343 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,756,861 | $70,756,861 | $70,756,861 |

**Elder Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older Georgians, so that they may live in their homes and communities, by providing health, employment, nutrition, and other support and education services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| State General Funds | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 |

**185.98** *Transfer funds and 21 positions from the Elder Support Services program to the Elder Community Living Services program to consolidate program budgets and expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,895,576) | ($3,895,576) | ($3,895,576) |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | ($750,000) | ($750,000) | ($750,000) |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | ($5,987,729) | ($5,987,729) | ($5,987,729) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($10,633,305) | ($10,633,305) | ($10,633,305) |

**Energy Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |

**186.1** *Recognize $117,918,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Low Income Energy Assistance CFDA 93.568. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**186.100 Energy Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |

**Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 |

**187.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $398 | $398 | $398 |

**187.2** *Increase funds for Office of State Administrative Hearings (OSAH) adjudication services to reflect a change in billing methodology.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |

**187.3** *Increase funds to begin implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $943,603 | $943,603 | $943,603 |

**187.4** *Recognize $22,004,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Pandemic Emergency Assistance. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**187.100 Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 |
| **State General Funds** | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $320,023,737 | $320,023,737 | $320,023,737 |

**Out-of-Home Care** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 |
| State General Funds | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 |

**188.1** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of Title IV-E funds associated with the October 1, 2021 implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act and the statewide transition to increased family-based placement settings.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,577,151 | $6,577,151 | $6,577,151 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($6,577,151) | ($6,577,151) | ($6,577,151) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**188.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $80,069 | $80,069 | $80,069 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($80,069) | ($80,069) | ($80,069) |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**188.3** *Reduce funds to reflect savings from a reduction in Out-of-Home Care utilization due to a decline in average monthly placements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($14,369,249) | ($14,369,249) | ($14,369,249) |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($2,030,736) | ($2,030,736) | ($2,030,736) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($16,399,985) | ($16,399,985) | ($16,399,985) |

**188.4** *Increase funds to establish a therapeutic foster care program and leverage federal funds.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,700,000 |

| **188.100 Out-of-Home Care** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $274,438,788 | $274,438,788 | $281,138,788 |
| **State General Funds** | $274,438,788 | $274,438,788 | $281,138,788 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $88,272,126 | $88,272,126 | $88,272,126 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $26,921,732 | $26,921,732 | $26,921,732 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $362,710,914 | $362,710,914 | $369,410,914 |

| **Refugee Assistance** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

| **189.100 Refugee Assistance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.* | | | |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

**Residential Child Care Licensing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| State General Funds | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 |

**190.100 Residential Child Care Licensing** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 |

**Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| State General Funds | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 |

| **191.100 Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 |

| **Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 |

| **192.100 Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 |

**Council On Aging** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| State General Funds | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

**193.100 Council On Aging** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| **State General Funds** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

**Family Connection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| State General Funds | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 |

**194.100 Family Connection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 |

| **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| State General Funds | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 |

| **195.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 |

| **Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 |
| State General Funds | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| Sales and Services | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 |

**196.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,130 | $1,130 | $1,130 |

**196.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration** — **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,529,048 | $9,529,048 | $9,529,048 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services** — **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |

**197.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services** — **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for the Blind** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| Sales and Services | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

**198.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for the Blind** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| Sales and Services | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 |

**199.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $105 | $105 | $105 |

**199.2** *Increase funds for Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC) for equipment for disabled individuals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $25,000 |

| **199.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $17,535,165 | $17,535,165 | $17,560,165 |
| **State General Funds** | $17,535,165 | $17,535,165 | $17,560,165 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,243,254 | $87,243,254 | $87,268,254 |

**Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission** **Continuation Budget**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**200.1** *Increase funds to reflect collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |

**200.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| **200.100 Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |

**All Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefit payments are calculated utilizing a factor of 66.0% of the standards of need; such payments shall be made from the date of certification and not from the date of application; and the following maximum benefits and maximum standards of need shall apply:**
**For an assistance group of one, the standard of need is $235, and the maximum monthly amount is $155.**
**For an assistance group of two, the standard of need is $356, and the maximum monthly amount is $235.**

**For an assistance group of three, the standard of need is $424, and the maximum monthly amount is $280.**
**For an assistance group of four, the standard of need is $500, and the maximum monthly amount is $330.**
**For an assistance group of five, the standard of need is $573, and the maximum monthly amount is $378.**
**For an assistance group of six, the standard of need is $621, and the maximum monthly amount is $410.**
**For an assistance group of seven, the standard of need is $672, and the maximum monthly amount is $444.**
**For an assistance group of eight, the standard of need is $713, and the maximum monthly amount is $470.**
**For an assistance group of nine, the standard of need is $751, and the maximum monthly amount is $496.**
**For an assistance group of ten, the standard of need is $804, and the maximum monthly amount is $530.**
**For an assistance group of eleven, the standard of need is $860, and the maximum monthly amount is $568.**
**Provided, the Department of Human Services is authorized to make supplemental payments on these maximum monthly amounts up to the amount that is equal to the minimum hourly wage for clients who are enrolled in subsidized work experience and subsidized employment.**

***Section 29: Insurance, Office of the Commissioner of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 |
| State General Funds | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| State Funds Transfers | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,666,175 | $20,802,081 | $20,963,845 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,666,175 | $20,802,081 | $20,963,845 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,430,569 | $21,566,475 | $21,728,239 |

**Departmental Administration (COI)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and industrial loan transactions and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| State General Funds | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |

**201.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

State General Funds $0

**201.100 Departmental Administration (COI)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |

**Enforcement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, industrial loan, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

**202.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

State General Funds $0

**202.100 Enforcement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| **State General Funds** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

**Fire Safety** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 |
| State General Funds | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| State Funds Transfers | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 |

**203.1** *Replace one-time state funds with other funds for nursing home inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($100,000) | ($100,000) | ($100,000) |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**203.2** *Replace one-time state funds with federal funds for manufactured housing inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($76,963) | ($76,963) | ($76,963) |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $76,963 | $76,963 | $76,963 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**203.3** *Increase funds for two building inspectors.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $135,906 | $135,906 |

**203.4** *Increase funds for personnel for two Safety Fire educators.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $161,764 |

**203.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

**203.100 Fire Safety** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,882,188 | $7,018,094 | $7,179,858 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,882,188 | $7,018,094 | $7,179,858 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,646,582 | $7,782,488 | $7,944,252 |

**Insurance Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| State General Funds | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

**204.100 Insurance Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

**Special Fraud** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| State General Funds | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |

**205.1** *Increase funds for personnel for 15 positions and operations. (S:Increase funds for personnel for 16 positions and operations)*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,424,304 | $2,424,304 | $2,424,304 |

| **205.100 Special Fraud** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 |

***Section 30: Investigation, Georgia Bureau of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 |
| State General Funds | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| Sales and Services | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| State Funds Transfers | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $167,192,958 | $160,270,910 | $163,833,049 |
| **State General Funds** | $167,192,958 | $160,270,910 | $163,833,049 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| **Sales and Services** | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $284,179,971 | $277,257,923 | $280,820,062 |

**Bureau Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| State General Funds | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| State Funds Transfers | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 |

**206.1** *Increase funds for three positions to support the Legal Division and the GBI Gang Task Force.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $270,320 | $270,320 | $270,320 |

**206.100 Bureau Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,665,374 | $8,665,374 | $8,665,374 |

**Criminal Justice Information Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| State General Funds | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| Sales and Services | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 |

**207.100 Criminal Justice Information Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **Sales and Services** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 |

**Forensic Scientific Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms, digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 |
| State General Funds | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| Sales and Services | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 |

**208.1** *Increase funds for the recruitment and retention of medical examiners.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,593,514 | $1,593,514 |

**208.2** *Increase funds to expand a forensic pathology fellowship program with Medical College of Georgia.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $241,529 |

**208.100 Forensic Scientific Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms, digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,841,513 | $41,435,027 | $41,676,556 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,841,513 | $41,435,027 | $41,676,556 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $41,781,884 | $43,375,398 | $43,616,927 |

**Regional Investigative Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 |
| State General Funds | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| Sales and Services | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 |

**209.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $437 | $437 | $437 |

**209.2** *Increase funds to annualize sworn positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,096,121 | $1,096,121 |

**209.100 Regional Investigative Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate*

*and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $48,987,354 | $50,083,475 | $50,083,475 |
| **State General Funds** | $48,987,354 | $50,083,475 | $50,083,475 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| **Sales and Services** | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $52,524,157 | $53,620,278 | $53,620,278 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| State General Funds | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| Sales and Services | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 |

**210.1** *Transfer funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council program to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges program for accountability court grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,006,227) | ($30,006,227) | ($30,006,227) |

**210.2** *Maintain responsibility for managing and administering accountability court grants. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**210.3** *Reduce funds for one-time funding to establish a law enforcement training grant program for state and local law enforcement agencies.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($10,000,000) | ($7,500,000) |

**210.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,303,920 | $14,303,920 | $16,803,920 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,303,920 | $14,303,920 | $16,803,920 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **Sales and Services** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,962,656 | $113,962,656 | $116,462,656 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| State General Funds | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |

**211.1** *Transfer funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council program to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges program for accountability court grants.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,006,227 | $30,006,227 | $30,006,227 |

**211.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide certified domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers with funds so as to provide the necessary services to primary and secondary victims of domestic violence and sexual assault statewide.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |
| State General Funds | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |

**212.1** *Increase funds for grants to local domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $700,000 | $700,000 | $700,000 |

**212.2** *Increase funds to provide a 2% increase to domestic violence shelters. (S:Increase funds to provide a 9% increase to domestic violence shelters)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $238,317 | $1,058,927 |

**212.3** *Increase funds to fully fund two domestic violence shelters partially funded in FY2020.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $0 |

**212.4** *Increase funds for sexual assault centers.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $150,000 |

**212.5** *The Council shall engage stakeholders to evaluate the current funding formula for domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers and study the merits of an updated formula that takes into account many of the factors involved, including but not limited to: number of services provided, number of bed nights provided, area poverty level, service area, and area population, and the Council shall submit a report of their findings to the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees by December 31, 2021. (S:YES)*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

| **212.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide certified domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers with funds so as to provide the necessary services to primary and secondary victims of domestic violence and sexual assault statewide.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,235,923 | $13,624,240 | $14,444,850 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,235,923 | $13,624,240 | $14,444,850 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,235,923 | $13,624,240 | $14,444,850 |

***Section 31: Juvenile Justice, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| State General Funds | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $313,473,088 | $313,473,088 | $312,612,368 |
| **State General Funds** | $313,473,088 | $313,473,088 | $312,612,368 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $322,751,666 | $322,751,666 | $321,890,946 |

**Community Service** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| State General Funds | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 |

**213.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,208 | $1,208 | $1,208 |

| **213.100 Community Service** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 |
| **State General Funds** | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $90,581,710 | $90,581,710 | $90,581,710 |

| **Departmental Administration (DJJ)** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| State General Funds | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |

**214.1** *Develop an electronic monitoring supervision program using innovative 21st century technology on offenders being supervised by the Department of Juvenile Justice. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

| **214.100 Departmental Administration (DJJ)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |

| **Secure Commitment (YDCs)** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| State General Funds | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 |

**215.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $31,257 | $31,257 | $31,257 |

**215.2** *Increase funds for teacher training and experience.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $94,531 | $94,531 | $94,531 |

**215.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for juvenile correctional officers in secure facilities. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**215.4** *Reduce funds for contracts to reflect unused prior year funds and projected expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($451,488) |

| **215.100 Secure Commitment (YDCs)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $79,196,557 | $79,196,557 | $78,745,069 |
| **State General Funds** | $79,196,557 | $79,196,557 | $78,745,069 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $81,311,151 | $81,311,151 | $80,859,663 |

**Secure Detention (RYDCs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the Short Term Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| State General Funds | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 |

**216.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $45,616 | $45,616 | $45,616 |

**216.2** *Increase funds for teacher training and experience.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $132,579 | $132,579 | $132,579 |

**216.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for juvenile correctional officers in secure facilities. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**216.4** *Reduce funds for contracts to reflect unused prior year funds and projected expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($409,232) |

| **216.100 Secure Detention (RYDCs)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the Short Term Program.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $125,241,166 | $125,241,166 | $124,831,934 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,241,166 | $125,241,166 | $124,831,934 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $127,404,637 | $127,404,637 | $126,995,405 |

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| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 |
| State General Funds | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,751,059 | $12,850,517 | $12,949,975 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,751,059 | $12,850,517 | $12,949,975 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $114,238,013 | $114,337,471 | $114,436,929 |

**Departmental Administration (DOL)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| State General Funds | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Sales and Services | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| State Funds Transfers | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 |

**217.100 Departmental Administration (DOL)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 |

**Departmental Administration (DOL) – Special Project** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**218.1** *Add funds for a chief labor officer to be appointed, subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $99,458 | $198,916 |

**218.100 Departmental Administration (DOL) – Special Project** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $99,458 | $198,916 |
| **State General Funds** | $99,458 | $198,916 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $99,458 | $198,916 |

| **Labor Market Information** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |

| **219.100 Labor Market Information** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.* | | | |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |

| **Unemployment Insurance** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| State General Funds | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Sales and Services | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 |

| **220.100 Unemployment Insurance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.* | | | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 |

**Workforce Solutions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| State General Funds | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 |

**221.100 Workforce Solutions** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 |

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| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| State General Funds | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| Sales and Services | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Funds Transfers | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **Sales and Services** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $92,909,980 | $92,909,980 | $92,909,980 |

**Law, Department of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| State General Funds | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| Sales and Services | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Funds Transfers | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 |

**222.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $517 | $517 | $517 |

**222.2** *Increase funds to reflect historical revenues from reimbursements for legal services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $78,100 | $78,100 | $78,100 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 |
| Total Public Funds: | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 |

**222.100 Law, Department of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 |
| **State General Funds** | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **Sales and Services** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,898,154 | $87,898,154 | $87,898,154 |

**Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| State General Funds | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| Sales and Services | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 |

**223.1** *Increase funds to reflect historical revenues from Medicaid fraud investigations.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $35,342 | $35,342 | $35,342 |

**223.100 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 |

**There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Law the sum of $500,000 of the moneys collected in accordance with O.C.G.A. Title 10, Chapter 1, Article 28. The sum of money is appropriated for use by the Department of Law for consumer protection for all the purposes for which such moneys may be appropriated pursuant to Article 28.**

***Section 34: Natural Resources, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 |
| State General Funds | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Royalties and Rents | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| Sales and Services | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $130,649,818 | $130,649,818 | $132,649,818 |
| **State General Funds** | $130,649,818 | $130,649,818 | $132,649,818 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| **Sales and Services** | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $297,692,446 | $297,692,446 | $299,692,446 |

**Coastal Resources** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| State General Funds | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| Royalties and Rents | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 |

**224.100 Coastal Resources** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 |

**Departmental Administration (DNR)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| State General Funds | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| Sales and Services | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 |

**225.100 Departmental Administration (DNR)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **Sales and Services** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 |

**Environmental Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and*

*by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 |
| State General Funds | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| Sales and Services | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 |

**226.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $337 | $337 | $337 |

**226.100 Environmental Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this*

*appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $112,958,123 | $112,958,123 | $112,958,123 |

**Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding through grant and loan opportunities for land conservation, parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| State General Funds | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |

**227.1** *Increase funds for grants and benefits per HB332 and HR238 (2018 Session) to reflect FY2020 collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,705,266 | $4,705,266 | $4,705,266 |

**227.100 Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding through grant and loan opportunities for land conservation, parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 |

**Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| State General Funds | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |

**228.100 Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |

**Law Enforcement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and visitors of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| State General Funds | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 |

**229.100 Law Enforcement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and visitors of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 |

**Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 |
| State General Funds | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| Sales and Services | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 |

**230.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $397 | $397 | $397 |

**230.2** *Increase funds for an outdoor recreational facility.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,000,000 |

| **230.100 Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,825,316 | $12,825,316 | $14,825,316 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,825,316 | $12,825,316 | $14,825,316 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| **Sales and Services** | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $48,421,136 | $48,421,136 | $50,421,136 |

| **Solid Waste Trust Fund** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the scrap tire management activity; to enable emergency, preventative, and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| State General Funds | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |

| **231.100 Solid Waste Trust Fund** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the scrap tire management activity; to enable emergency, preventative, and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |

**Wildlife Resources** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| State General Funds | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Royalties and Rents | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| Sales and Services | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 |

**232.100 Wildlife Resources** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 |

**Provided, that to the extent State Parks and Historic Sites receipts are realized in excess of the amount of such funds contemplated in this Act, the Office of Planning and Budget is authorized to use up to 50 percent of the excess receipts to supplant State funds and the balance may be amended into the budget of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division for the most critical needs of the Division. This provision shall not apply to revenues collected from a state park's parking pass implemented by the Department.**

***Section 35: Pardons and Paroles, State Board of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| State General Funds | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| **State General Funds** | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |

**Board Administration (SBPP)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| State General Funds | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |

| **233.100 Board Administration (SBPP)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |

**Clemency Decisions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Board in exercising its constitutional authority over executive clemency. This includes setting tentative parole dates for offenders in the correctional system and all aspects of parole status of offenders in the community including warrants, violations, commutations, and revocations. The Board coordinates all interstate compact release matters regarding the acceptance and placement of parolees into and from the State of Georgia and administers the pardon process by reviewing all applications and granting or denying these applications based on specific criteria.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| State General Funds | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |

**234.100 Clemency Decisions** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Board in exercising its constitutional authority over executive clemency. This includes setting tentative parole dates for offenders in the correctional system and all aspects of parole status of offenders in the community including warrants, violations, commutations, and revocations. The Board coordinates all interstate compact release matters regarding the acceptance and placement of parolees into and from the State of Georgia and administers the pardon process by reviewing all applications and granting or denying these applications based on specific criteria.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |

**Victim Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement, conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, host victims visitors' days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections, community supervision, and pardons and paroles systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| State General Funds | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |

| **235.100 Victim Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement, conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, host victims visitors' days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections, community supervision, and pardons and paroles systems.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |

***Section 36: Properties Commission, State***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

| **Properties Commission, State** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**236.100 Properties Commission, State** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

***Section 37: Public Defender Council, Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 |
| State General Funds | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $59,525,534 | $61,808,171 | $61,161,427 |
| **State General Funds** | $59,525,534 | $61,808,171 | $61,161,427 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $92,933,834 | $95,216,471 | $94,569,727 |

**Public Defender Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, Central Office, and the administration of the Conflict Division.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 |
| State General Funds | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 |

**237.1** *Increase funds for rent to relocate to the Trinity-Washington Building.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $286,131 | $286,131 | $286,131 |

**237.2** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $18,971 | $18,971 |

**237.100 Public Defender Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, Central Office, and the administration of the Conflict Division.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,121,206 | $8,140,177 | $8,140,177 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,121,206 | $8,140,177 | $8,140,177 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,029,506 | $10,048,477 | $10,048,477 |

**Public Defenders** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12; including providing representation to clients in cases where the Capital Defender or a circuit public defender has a conflict of interest.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| State General Funds | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 |

**238.1** *Increase funds for three Assistant Public Defenders to reflect new judgeships in the Cobb, Flint, and Ogeechee Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2022 per HB786 (2020 Session). (H and S:Increase funds for an assistant public defender to reflect the new judgeship in the Cobb Judicial Circuit starting January 1, 2022, per HB786 (2020 Session))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,703 | $41,901 | $41,901 |

**238.2** *Increase funds for a proposed new judicial circuit in Columbia County.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $377,259 | $1,024,003 | $377,259 |

**238.3** *Increase funds for an assistant public defender to reflect the new judgeship in the Flint Judicial Circuit starting January 1, 2022, per HB786 (2020 Session).*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $41,901 | $41,901 |

**238.4** *Increase funds for an assistant public defender to reflect the new judgeship in the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit starting January 1, 2022, per HB786 (2020 Session).*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $41,901 | $41,901 |

**238.5** *Increase funds for five juvenile assistant public defenders.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $470,500 | $470,500 |

**238.6** *Increase funds for leave payouts.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $400,000 | $400,000 |

**238.7** *Increase funds for personnel for ongoing recruitment and retention of assistant public defenders.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $746,422 | $746,422 |

**238.100 Public Defenders** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12; including providing representation to clients in cases where the Capital Defender or a circuit public defender has a conflict of interest.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $51,404,328 | $53,667,994 | $53,021,250 |
| **State General Funds** | $51,404,328 | $53,667,994 | $53,021,250 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $82,904,328 | $85,167,994 | $84,521,250 |

***Section 38: Public Health, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 |
| State General Funds | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| Sales and Services | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| State Funds Transfers | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $284,908,832 | $287,806,818 | $287,723,927 |
| **State General Funds** | $269,828,215 | $272,726,201 | $272,643,310 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 |
| **Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| **Sales and Services** | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $691,018,453 | $693,916,439 | $693,833,548 |

**Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 |
| State General Funds | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 |

**239.1** *Increase funds to Georgia CORE. (S:Increase funds for Georgia CORE for screening for leading cancers, care coordination and navigation, and prevention education)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $300,000 |

**239.2** *Increase funds for the Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia.*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $240,000 | $365,000 |

**239.3** *Increase funds for feminine hygiene products.*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $200,000 | $200,000 |

**239.4** *Increase funds for a nurse peer assistance program to support nurses recovering from substance use, and report to the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding outcomes by December 1, 2021.*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $75,000 |

**239.100 Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,899,496 | $19,439,496 | $19,839,496 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,042,317 | $12,582,317 | $12,982,317 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,112,277 | $39,652,277 | $40,052,277 |

**Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 |

**240.100 Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 |

**Departmental Administration (DPH)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 |
| State General Funds | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 |

**241.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $653 | $653 | $653 |

**241.2** *Add funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, and a chief data officer to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $857,986 | $857,986 |

| **241.100 Departmental Administration (DPH)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,266,440 | $25,124,426 | $25,124,426 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,134,645 | $24,992,631 | $24,992,631 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,524,296 | $37,382,282 | $37,382,282 |

| **Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the capacity of the state's trauma system.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 |
| State General Funds | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| State Funds Transfers | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 |

**242.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $849 | $849 | $849 |

**242.2** *Increase funds to support Grady Memorial Hospital's efforts to continue the coordination of emergency room use in the 13-county metro Atlanta area.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $506,000 | $506,000 | $506,000 |

**242.100 Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the capacity of the state's trauma system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $29,192,564 | $29,192,564 | $29,192,564 |

**Epidemiology** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 |
| State General Funds | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 |

**243.1** *Add funds for the ongoing maintenance and operations of the new vaccine management system. (S:YES; Recognize federal funds for maintenance and operations of the new vaccine management system)*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,500,000 | $0 |

| **243.100 Epidemiology** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,301,213 | $6,801,213 | $5,301,213 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,185,576 | $6,685,576 | $5,185,576 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,853,806 | $13,353,806 | $11,853,806 |

| **Immunization** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| State General Funds | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 |

| **244.100 Immunization** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 |

**Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 |
| State General Funds | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 |

**245.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,931 | $3,931 | $3,931 |

**245.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,963 | $30,963 | $30,963 |

**245.100 Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $47,431,056 | $47,431,056 | $47,431,056 |

**Infant and Child Health Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| State General Funds | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 |

**246.1** *Increase funds for newborn screening of Krabbe disease.*

State General Funds $1,017,109

**246.2** *Recognize $13,267,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Supplemental Nutrition-Women, Infants & Children CFDA 10.557. (S:YES)*

State General Funds $0

**246.100 Infant and Child Health Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $14,859,827 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $14,859,827 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $278,479,223 |

**Infectious Disease Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 |
| State General Funds | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 |

**247.1** *Increase funds to accurately reflect the reduction of FY2021 vacant positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $144,026 | $144,026 | $144,026 |

**247.2** *Increase funds for the second year of a three-year pilot for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for individuals at risk of HIV pursuant to passage of HB290 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $85,650 | $85,650 | $85,650 |

**247.100 Infectious Disease Control** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $80,148,049 | $80,148,049 | $80,148,049 |

**Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| State General Funds | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| Sales and Services | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 |

**248.1** *Increase funds for body art licensure pursuant to the passage of SB214 (2019 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $173,600 | $173,600 | $173,600 |

**248.100 Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **Sales and Services** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,388,871 | $7,388,871 | $7,388,871 |

**Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| State General Funds | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

| **249.100 Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

| **Vital Records** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| State General Funds | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 |

**250.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $908 | $908 | $908 |

| **250.100 Vital Records** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,807,154 | $4,807,154 | $4,807,154 |

| **Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |

**251.1** *Reduce funds to reflect FY2020 collections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | ($68,772) | ($68,772) | ($68,772) |

**251.100 Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| **Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |

**Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| State General Funds | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |

**252.100 Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |

***Section 39: Public Safety, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| Sales and Services | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| State Funds Transfers | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $184,662,943 | $184,469,533 | $187,979,391 |
| **State General Funds** | $184,662,943 | $184,469,533 | $187,979,391 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| **Sales and Services** | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $245,469,746 | $245,276,336 | $248,786,194 |

**Aviation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |
| State General Funds | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |

**253.1** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,523 | $9,076 |

**253.2** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $22,680 |

**253.100 Aviation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,008,353 | $4,014,876 | $4,040,109 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,008,353 | $4,014,876 | $4,040,109 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,008,353 | $4,014,876 | $4,040,109 |

**Capitol Police Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| Sales and Services | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |

**254.1** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $38,379 | $0 |

**254.2** *Utilize existing funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**254.100 Capitol Police Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $38,379 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $38,379 | $0 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,405,077 | $8,443,456 | $8,405,077 |

**Departmental Administration (DPS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department and administratively attached agencies.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 |
| State General Funds | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| Sales and Services | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 |

**255.1** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.*

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|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,780 |

| **255.100 Departmental Administration (DPS)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department and administratively attached agencies.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,676,566 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,676,566 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,680,076 |

| **Field Offices and Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team, the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 |
| State General Funds | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 |
| Sales and Services | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| State Funds Transfers | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 |

**256.1** *Increase funds for one 75-person trooper school.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,176,833 | $1,567,575 | $3,176,833 |

**256.2** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $390,732 | $582,441 |

**256.3** *Utilize existing funds ($1,011,300) for one-time facility repairs and maintenance for post buildings statewide. (H:YES)(S:NO)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**256.4** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,227,150 |

**256.100 Field Offices and Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team, the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $131,336,869 | $130,118,343 | $133,146,460 |
| **State General Funds** | $131,336,869 | $130,118,343 | $133,146,460 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 |
| **Sales and Services** | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $134,274,703 | $133,056,177 | $136,084,294 |

**Motor Carrier Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 |
| State General Funds | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| Sales and Services | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 |

**257.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $740 | $740 | $740 |

**257.2** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $97,240 | $135,683 |

**257.3** *Increase funds for one-time funds for facility repairs and maintenance for weigh stations and communication towers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $708,000 | $0 |

**257.4** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $128,790 |

**257.100 Motor Carrier Compliance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,340,035 | $16,145,275 | $15,604,508 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,340,035 | $16,145,275 | $15,604,508 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $37,762,106 | $38,567,346 | $38,026,579 |

**Office of Public Safety Officer Support** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide peer counselors and critical incident support services to requesting local and state public entities that employ public safety officers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |
| State General Funds | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |

**258.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $450 | $450 | $450 |

**258.2** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,110 |

**258.3** *Reduce funds for two clinician positions to recognize the use of two contract clinicians.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($145,367) |

| **258.100 Office of Public Safety Officer Support** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide peer counselors and critical incident support services to requesting local and state public entities that employ public safety officers.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,109,877 | $1,109,877 | $989,620 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,109,877 | $1,109,877 | $989,620 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,109,877 | $1,109,877 | $989,620 |

| **Firefighter Standards and Training Council, Georgia** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |
| State General Funds | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |

**259.1** *Increase funds for virtual testing resources for firefighter certification and training.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $150,000 |

| **259.100 Firefighter Standards and Training Council, Georgia** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,332,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,332,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,332,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 |

| **Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, Georgia** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |

**260.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $431 | $431 | $431 |

**260.2** *Increase funds for 20 new computers and software updates.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $18,000 | $18,000 |

**260.3** *Increase funds for personnel for three auditor positions, two investigator positions, one curriculum development position, and one cyber security technician position and operations to strengthen the oversight and investigative mission of the Agency.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $733,666 |

**260.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $55,000 |

**260.100 Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,871,100 | $3,889,100 | $4,677,766 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,871,100 | $3,889,100 | $4,677,766 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,871,100 | $3,889,100 | $4,677,766 |

**Public Safety Training Center, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 |
| State General Funds | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| Sales and Services | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 |

**261.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

State General Funds $247

**261.2** *Increase funds for the School Resource Officer program.*

State General Funds $191,525

**261.3** *Increase funds for recruitment and retention of Georgia Fire Academy instructors.*

State General Funds $49,875

**261.4** *Increase funds to restore one vacant position and for one additional instructor position to provide training for volunteer firefighters.*

State General Funds $199,318

**261.5** *Reduce funds for contracts.*

State General Funds ($150,000)

**261.100 Public Safety Training Center, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,884,528 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,884,528 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 | $22,580,749 |

**Highway Safety, Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 |
| State General Funds | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| Sales and Services | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 |

**262.1** *Increase funds for information technology enhancements for the grant system and remote-in software. (S:Restore funds for operations)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,974 | $52,474 |

**262.100 Highway Safety, Office of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,424,848 | $3,431,822 | $3,477,322 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,424,848 | $3,431,822 | $3,477,322 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **Sales and Services** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,766,938 | $23,773,912 | $23,819,412 |

***Section 40: Public Service Commission***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 |
| State General Funds | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,493,797 | $9,543,797 | $9,543,797 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,493,797 | $9,543,797 | $9,543,797 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,836,897 | $10,886,897 | $10,886,897 |

**Commission Administration (PSC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 |
| State General Funds | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 |

**263.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for legal fees.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $50,000 | $50,000 |

| **263.100 Commission Administration (PSC)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,574,819 | $1,624,819 | $1,624,819 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $1,574,819 | $1,624,819 | $1,624,819 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,658,319 | $1,708,319 | $1,708,319 |

**Facility Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| State General Funds | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 |

**264.100 Facility Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 |

**Utilities Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| State General Funds | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 |

**265.100 Utilities Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 |

***Section 41: Regents, University System of Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 |
| State General Funds | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| Sales and Services | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agency Funds Transfers | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,431,404,157 | $2,448,250,714 | $2,452,701,892 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,431,404,157 | $2,448,250,714 | $2,452,701,892 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 |
| **Record Center Storage Fees** | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,363,276,154 | $8,380,122,711 | $8,384,573,889 |

**Agricultural Experiment Station** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 |
| State General Funds | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 |

**266.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $128,888 | $128,888 | $128,888 |

**266.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($32,484) | ($32,484) | ($32,484) |

**266.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($118,443) | ($118,443) | ($118,443) |

**266.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,851,620 | $2,000,000 |

**266.100 Agricultural Experiment Station** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $42,387,624 | $45,239,244 | $44,387,624 |
| **State General Funds** | $42,387,624 | $45,239,244 | $44,387,624 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,570,279 | $90,421,899 | $89,570,279 |

**Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories Contract** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, disease research, and educational outreach for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| Sales and Services | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**267.100 Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories Contract** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, disease research, and educational outreach for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**Cooperative Extension Service** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 |
| State General Funds | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| Sales and Services | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 |

**268.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $156,882 | $156,882 | $156,882 |

**268.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($49,540) | ($49,540) | ($49,540) |

**268.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($60,657) | ($60,657) | ($60,657) |

**268.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,652,325 | $2,000,000 |

| **268.100 Cooperative Extension Service** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,408,076 | $42,060,401 | $41,408,076 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,408,076 | $42,060,401 | $41,408,076 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $74,036,361 | $76,688,686 | $76,036,361 |

| **Enterprise Innovation Institute** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 |
| State General Funds | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 |

**269.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $14,942 | $14,942 | $14,942 |

**269.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance ($4,150) and retiree health benefits ($1,617).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($5,767) | ($5,767) | ($5,767) |

**269.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($24,136) | ($24,136) | ($24,136) |

**269.4** *Provide that funding and responsibility for Invest Georgia shall remain with the Board of Regents. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**269.5** *Increase funds for the Partnership for Inclusive Innovation (PI2) to fund grants and leverage private dollars.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,500,000 |

**269.6** *Increase funds for the Advanced Technology Development Center (ATDC) services for start-ups and establish an additional satellite location.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $500,000 |

**269.100 Enterprise Innovation Institute** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,444,647 | $9,444,647 | $11,444,647 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,444,647 | $9,444,647 | $11,444,647 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,444,647 | $24,444,647 | $26,444,647 |

**Forestry Cooperative Extension** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 |
| State General Funds | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| Sales and Services | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 |

**270.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,633 | $2,633 | $2,633 |

**270.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,111) | ($1,111) | ($1,111) |

**270.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($11,902) | ($11,902) | ($11,902) |

**270.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,122 | $64,122 |

**270.100 Forestry Cooperative Extension** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $902,218 | $966,340 | $966,340 |
| **State General Funds** | $902,218 | $966,340 | $966,340 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| **Sales and Services** | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,603,206 | $1,667,328 | $1,667,328 |

**Forestry Research** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 |
| State General Funds | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 |

**271.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,891 | $9,891 | $9,891 |

**271.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,881) | ($2,881) | ($2,881) |

**271.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($9,089) | ($9,089) | ($9,089) |

**271.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $198,527 | $198,527 |

| **271.100 Forestry Research** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,664,604 | $2,863,131 | $2,863,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,664,604 | $2,863,131 | $2,863,131 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,143,847 | $14,342,374 | $14,342,374 |

| **Georgia Archives** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| State General Funds | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| Sales and Services | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 |

**272.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,356 | $6,356 | $6,356 |

**272.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($586) | ($586) | ($586) |

| **272.100 Georgia Archives** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| **Sales and Services** | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 |
| **Record Center Storage Fees** | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,277,821 | $5,277,821 | $5,277,821 |

| **Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance cybersecurity technology for private and public industries through unique education, training, research, and practical applications.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 |
| State General Funds | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| Sales and Services | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 |

**273.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,441 | $6,441 | $6,441 |

**273.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,507) | ($1,507) | ($1,507) |

**273.3** *Reduce funds for one-time funding for the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) program.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($75,000) | ($75,000) |

**273.4** *Increase funds for a rural coding program in partnership with the Department of Education.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $945,000 |

**273.100 Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance cybersecurity technology for private and public industries through unique education, training, research, and practical applications.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,351,506 | $5,276,506 | $6,221,506 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,351,506 | $5,276,506 | $6,221,506 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **Sales and Services** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,124,488 | $6,049,488 | $6,994,488 |

**Georgia Research Alliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand research and commercialization capacity in public and private universities in Georgia to launch new companies and create jobs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| State General Funds | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |

**274.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,434 | $1,434 | $1,434 |

**274.2** *Increase funds for an eminent scholar for sickle cell research. (S:Increase funds for one-time funding for an eminent scholar for sickle cell research)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $500,000 |

**274.3** *Increase funds for GRA Venture Fund for grants and start-up loans.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $700,000 |

**274.4** *Increase funds to recruit Academy of Eminent Scholars into research fields with a focus on rural Georgia and historically black colleges and universities.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 |

| **274.100 Georgia Research Alliance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to expand research and commercialization capacity in public and private universities in Georgia to launch new companies and create jobs.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,571,005 | $5,071,005 | $6,271,005 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,571,005 | $5,071,005 | $6,271,005 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,571,005 | $5,071,005 | $6,271,005 |

| **Georgia Tech Research Institute** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 |
| State General Funds | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| Sales and Services | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 |

**275.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $586 | $586 | $586 |

**275.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance ($1,903) and retiree health benefits ($47,569).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($49,472) | ($49,472) | ($49,472) |

**275.3** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $359,041 | $359,041 |

**275.100 Georgia Tech Research Institute** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,441,757 | $5,800,798 | $5,800,798 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,441,757 | $5,800,798 | $5,800,798 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $645,102,764 | $645,461,805 | $645,461,805 |

**Marine Institute** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 |
| State General Funds | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 |

**276.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,226 | $3,226 | $3,226 |

**276.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($733) | ($733) | ($733) |

**276.3** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $71,707 | $71,707 |

**276.100 Marine Institute** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $903,111 | $974,818 | $974,818 |
| **State General Funds** | $903,111 | $974,818 | $974,818 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,389,392 | $1,461,099 | $1,461,099 |

**Marine Resources Extension Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 |
| State General Funds | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 |

**277.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,568 | $4,568 | $4,568 |

**277.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,059) | ($1,059) | ($1,059) |

**277.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,809) | ($6,809) | ($6,809) |

**277.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $83,486 | $83,486 |

**277.100 Marine Resources Extension Center** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,430,970 | $1,514,456 | $1,514,456 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,430,970 | $1,514,456 | $1,514,456 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,970,970 | $3,054,456 | $3,054,456 |

**Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support graduate medical education at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and provide patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| State General Funds | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |

**278.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,627,793 | $1,627,793 |

**278.2** *Increase funds to pursue a partnership with Clark Atlanta University for prostate cancer research.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 |

**278.100 Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support graduate medical education at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and provide patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,702,507 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,702,507 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,702,507 |

**Public Libraries** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 |
| State General Funds | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| Sales and Services | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 |

**279.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,335 | $150,335 | $149,347 |

**279.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($979) | ($979) | ($979) |

**279.3** *Increase funds for the Public Libraries formula based on an increase in the state population.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $345,800 | $345,800 | $47,146 |

**279.4** *Increase funds for materials grants by five cents from $0.35 to $0.40 per capita.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $559,757 | $547,161 |

**279.5** *Recognize $4,333,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Institute for Museum and Library Services Grants CFDA 45.310. (S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

**279.100 Public Libraries** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,400,961 | $39,960,718 | $39,648,480 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,400,961 | $39,960,718 | $39,648,480 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $44,812,265 | $45,372,022 | $45,059,784 |

**Public Service / Special Funding Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided by formula.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |
| State General Funds | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |

**280.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $37,766 | $37,766 | $37,766 |

**280.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($11,431) | ($11,431) | ($11,431) |

**280.3** *Increase funds for operations for the Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $53,733 | $53,733 |

**280.4** *Increase funds for Middle Georgia State University aviation career path program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,500,000 |

**280.100 Public Service / Special Funding Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided by formula.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,777,478 | $21,831,211 | $24,331,211 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,777,478 | $21,831,211 | $24,331,211 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,777,478 | $21,831,211 | $24,331,211 |

**Regents Central Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| State General Funds | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Sales and Services | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 |

**281.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,590 | $11,590 | $11,590 |

**281.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,965) | ($1,965) | ($1,965) |

| **281.100 Regents Central Office** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,180,744 | $11,180,744 | $11,180,744 |
| **Skidaway Institute of Oceanography** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic environments.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| State General Funds | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| Sales and Services | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 |
| **282.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.* | | | |
| State General Funds | $3,963 | $3,963 | $3,963 |
| **282.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.* | | | |
| State General Funds | ($870) | ($870) | ($870) |

| **282.100 Skidaway Institute of Oceanography** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic environments.* | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| **Sales and Services** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,053,152 | $7,053,152 | $7,053,152 |

**Teaching** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 |
| State General Funds | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| Sales and Services | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 |

**283.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,454,929 | $6,454,929 | $6,454,929 |

**283.2** *Increase funds for formula earnings for the 2021-2022 school year to reflect a 0.8% increase in credit hour enrollment ($57,030,983) and a 0.6% increase in square footage ($1,875,267).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $58,906,250 | $58,906,250 | $58,906,250 |

**283.3** *Increase funds for prior-year formula earnings for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect a 1.18% increase in credit hour enrollment ($68,387,021) and a 0.5% increase in square footage ($1,746,489) not funded in the FY2021 budget.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 |

**283.4** *Increase funds to adjust the debt service payback amount for a general obligation debt-funded project at Savannah State University.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $617,328 | $617,328 | $617,328 |

**283.5** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance (($2,174,668)) and increase funds for retiree health benefits ($1,254,517).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($920,151) | ($920,151) | ($920,151) |

**283.6** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) |

**283.7** *Increase funds for year two of a three-year phase-in for increased medical education funding.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $7,776,655 | $7,776,655 |

**283.8** *Recognize $1,209,358,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425F in both the University System and the Technical College System. (S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

| **283.100 Teaching** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,184,816,747 | $2,192,593,402 | $2,192,593,402 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,184,816,747 | $2,192,593,402 | $2,192,593,402 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,328,001,980 | $7,335,778,635 | $7,335,778,635 |

**Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |
| State General Funds | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |

**284.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $13,958 | $13,958 | $13,958 |

**284.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,131) | ($3,131) | ($3,131) |

**284.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,417) | ($1,417) | ($1,417) |

**284.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $162,000 | $162,000 |

**284.100 Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,075,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,075,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,075,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 |

**Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| State General Funds | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 |

**285.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,240 | $2,240 | $2,240 |

**285.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($426) | ($426) | ($426) |

**285.100 Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $483,805 | $483,805 | $483,805 |
| **State General Funds** | $483,805 | $483,805 | $483,805 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,483,805 | $22,483,805 | $22,483,805 |

**Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| State General Funds | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 |

**286.98** *Change the name of the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust program to the Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust program. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**286.100 Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| **State General Funds** | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 |

**Payments to Georgia Military College Junior Military College** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and pooled expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| State General Funds | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |

**287.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $26,159 | $26,159 | $26,159 |

**287.100 Payments to Georgia Military College Junior Military College** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and pooled expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 |

**Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades three through twelve at Georgia Military College's Preparatory School.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |
| State General Funds | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |

**288.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $8,968 | $18,796 | $18,796 |

**288.2** *Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($165,667)) and increase funds for training and experience ($128,355). (H:Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($161,953)) and increase funds for training and experience ($75,604))(S:Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($161,953)) and increase funds for training and experience ($75,604) and address any changes to enrollment in the Amended FY2022 budget)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($37,312) | ($86,349) | ($86,349) |

**288.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 Education.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $217,244 | $217,244 | $217,244 |

**288.100 Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades three through twelve at Georgia Military College's Preparatory School.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,696,788 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,696,788 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,696,788 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 |

**Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| State General Funds | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |

**289.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,403 | $1,403 | $1,403 |

**289.2** *Reduce funds to reflect realignment of focus on K-12 educational programming during COVID-19 pandemic.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($477,639) |

**289.100 Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,756,613 | $13,756,613 | $13,278,974 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,756,613 | $13,756,613 | $13,278,974 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,756,613 | $13,756,613 | $13,278,974 |

***Section 42: Revenue, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 |
| State General Funds | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| Sales and Services | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $196,566,834 | $197,481,909 | $197,396,779 |
| **State General Funds** | $196,133,051 | $197,048,126 | $196,962,996 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $199,872,564 | $200,787,639 | $200,702,509 |

**Departmental Administration (DOR)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| State General Funds | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |

**290.100 Departmental Administration (DOR)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |

**Forestland Protection Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for forestland conservation use property and qualified timberland property to counties, municipalities, and school districts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |
| State General Funds | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |

**291.1** *Increase funds for Forestland Protection Act grant reimbursements to meet projected needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 |

**291.100 Forestland Protection Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for forestland conservation use property and qualified timberland property to counties, municipalities, and school districts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |

**Industry Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 |
| State General Funds | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| Sales and Services | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 |

**292.1** *Increase funds for one advanced auditor and associated expenses, and three contractors to provide regulation of the distribution and sale of vaping products pursuant to SB375 (2020 Session). (H:Increase funds for six tax examiners, three auditors, four criminal investigators, and three call center contractors to regulate the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB375, 2020 Session))(S:Increase funds for six tax examiners, three auditors, three criminal investigators, and three call center contractors to regulate the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB375, 2020 Session))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $210,775 | $963,938 | $878,808 |

**292.100 Industry Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,570,451 | $8,323,614 | $8,238,484 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,136,668 | $7,889,831 | $7,804,701 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **Sales and Services** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,426,485 | $9,179,648 | $9,094,518 |

**Local Government Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| State General Funds | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| Sales and Services | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 |

**293.100 Local Government Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 |

**Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| State General Funds | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

**294.100 Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

**Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| State General Funds | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

**295.100 Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

**Office of Special Investigations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving department efforts; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| State General Funds | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 |

**296.100 Office of Special Investigations** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving department efforts; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 |

**Tax Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| State General Funds | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| Sales and Services | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 |

**297.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $323 | $323 | $323 |

| **297.100 Tax Compliance** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,670,843 | $55,670,843 | $55,670,843 |

| **Tax Policy** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| State General Funds | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |

**298.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $337 | $337 | $337 |

**298.2** *Increase funds for one attorney and one legal secretary to regulate the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB375, 2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $161,912 | $161,912 |

| **298.100 Tax Policy** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,129,836 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $4,129,836 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,129,836 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 |

**Taxpayer Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are processed in accordance with the law; that all returns are reviewed and taxpayer information is recorded accurately; to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration functions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| State General Funds | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 |

**299.100 Taxpayer Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are processed in accordance with the law; that all returns are reviewed and taxpayer information is recorded accurately; to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration functions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 |

***Section 43: Secretary of State***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 |
| State General Funds | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,740,700 | $23,558,342 | $25,013,027 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,740,700 | $23,558,342 | $25,013,027 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,076,052 | $28,893,694 | $30,348,379 |

**Corporations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| Sales and Services | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |

**300.100 Corporations** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |

| **Elections** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| State General Funds | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 |

**301.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $689 | $689 | $689 |

**301.2** *Increase funds to implement overt, covert, and forensic ballot security protocols as outlined in SB62 (2021 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,500,000 |

| **301.100 Elections** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,428,161 | $5,428,161 | $6,928,161 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,428,161 | $5,428,161 | $6,928,161 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,028,161 | $6,028,161 | $7,528,161 |

| **Investigations** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the laws and regulations related to professional licenses, elections, and securities; to investigate complaints; and to conduct inspections of applicants and existing license holders.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| State General Funds | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **302.100 Investigations** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the laws and regulations related to professional licenses, elections, and securities; to investigate complaints; and to conduct inspections of applicants and existing license holders.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |

| **Office Administration (SOS)** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| State General Funds | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| Sales and Services | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 |
| **303.100 Office Administration (SOS)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 |

| **Professional Licensing Boards** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 |
| State General Funds | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| Sales and Services | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 |

**304.1** *Increase funds for two analysts and temporary workers to issue temporary permits to practice nursing for the sole purpose of administering the COVID-19 vaccine pursuant to Executive Order 01.22.21.07.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $150,000 |

| **304.100 Professional Licensing Boards** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,561,551 | $7,711,551 | $7,711,551 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,561,551 | $7,711,551 | $7,711,551 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,961,551 | $8,111,551 | $8,111,551 |

| **Securities** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| State General Funds | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 |

**305.100 Securities** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| **State General Funds** | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 |

**Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide access to low THC oil for registered Georgia patients by regulating the production, transport, and sale of low THC oil; to develop a network of low THC oil; and to study the use, efficacy, and best practices of low THC oil use in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| State General Funds | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |

**306.1** *Increase funds for one attorney, one POST-certified investigator, three licensing technicians, IT contracts, and other expenses. (S:Increase funds for one attorney, one POST-certified investigator, two licensing technicians, IT contracts, and other expenses)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $667,642 | $622,327 |

**306.100 Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide access to low THC oil for registered Georgia patients by regulating the production, transport, and sale of low THC oil; to develop a network of low THC oil; and to study the use, efficacy, and best practices of low THC oil use in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $225,000 | $892,642 | $847,327 |
| **State General Funds** | $225,000 | $892,642 | $847,327 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $225,000 | $892,642 | $847,327 |

**Real Estate Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal Act.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| State General Funds | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 |

**307.100 Real Estate Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal Act.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 |

***Section 44: Student Finance Commission and Authority, Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 |
| State General Funds | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Sales and Services | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,064,389,717 | $1,055,716,949 | $1,054,984,449 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,958,454 | $119,115,684 | $118,383,184 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $938,431,263 | $936,601,265 | $936,601,265 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,831,383 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | | | $548,529 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | | | $548,529 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,074,417,880 | $1,065,745,112 | $1,065,561,141 |

**Commission Administration (GSFC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| Sales and Services | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 |

**308.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $3,579 | $3,579 | $3,579 |

**308.100 Commission Administration (GSFC) Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,871,535 | $9,871,535 | $9,871,535 |

| **Dual Enrollment** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |
| State General Funds | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |

**309.1** *Reduce funds for updated projections.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($7,035,270) | ($7,035,270) |

| **309.100 Dual Enrollment** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $89,836,976 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 |
| **State General Funds** | $89,836,976 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $89,836,976 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 |

| **Engineer Scholarship** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus) and retain those students as engineers in the State.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |
| State General Funds | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |

**310.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds to meet the projected need)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $192,500 | $0 |

| **310.100 Engineer Scholarship** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus) and retain those students as engineers in the State.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 |
| **State General Funds** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 |

**Georgia Military College Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| State General Funds | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |

**311.100 Georgia Military College Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |

**HERO Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| State General Funds | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

**312.100 HERO Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

**HOPE GED** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this program is to encourage Georgia's General Educational Development (GED) recipients to pursue education beyond the high school level at an eligible postsecondary institution located in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |

**313.100 HOPE GED** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this program is to encourage Georgia's General Educational Development (GED) recipients to pursue education beyond the high school level at an eligible postsecondary institution located in Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |

**HOPE Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |

**314.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for HOPE Grants. (S:Increase funds to meet the projected need and address any additional needs in the Amended FY2022 budget)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $7,259,713 | $5,429,715 | $5,429,715 |

**314.100 HOPE Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $73,701,433 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $73,701,433 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $73,701,433 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 |

**HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |

**315.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for the HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $444,864 | $444,864 | $444,864 |

**315.2** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for Zell Miller Scholarship students attending private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $166,809 | $166,809 | $166,809 |

**315.100 HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 |

**HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |

**316.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for the HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $2,333,025 | $2,333,025 | $2,333,025 |

**316.2** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for Zell Miller Scholarship students attending public postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $5,555,973 | $5,555,973 | $5,555,973 |

**316.100 HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 |

**Low Interest Loans** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college or technical college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 |

**317.100 Low Interest Loans** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college or technical college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to*

*work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 |

**North Georgia Military Scholarship Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend the University of North Georgia, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| State General Funds | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

**318.100 North Georgia Military Scholarship Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend the University of North Georgia, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

**North Georgia ROTC Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend the University of North Georgia and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| State General Funds | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |

**319.100 North Georgia ROTC Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend the University of North Georgia and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |

**Public Safety Memorial Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public or private postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| State General Funds | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |

**320.1** *Utilize existing donation funds for program expenditures.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($540,000) |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $548,529 |
| Total Public Funds: | $8,529 |

**320.100 Public Safety Memorial Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public or private postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $0 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | | | $548,529 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | | | $548,529 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | | | $548,529 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $548,529 |

| **REACH Georgia Scholarship** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| State General Funds | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **321.100 REACH Georgia Scholarship** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

| **Service Cancelable Loans** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide service cancelable loans as authorized in statute including programs for large animal veterinarians and Georgia National Guard members.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| State General Funds | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **322.100 Service Cancelable Loans** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide service cancelable loans as authorized in statute including programs for large animal veterinarians and Georgia National Guard members.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |

**Tuition Equalization Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| State General Funds | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 |

**323.100 Tuition Equalization Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 |

**Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| State General Funds | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |

**324.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $689 | $689 | $689 |

**324.2** *Reduce funds for rent to reflect transition to a telework model.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($15,899) | ($15,899) | ($15,899) |

**324.3** *Reflect $115,000 in other funds for operations for the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Coordinator position. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**324.100 Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 |
| **State General Funds** | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 |

***Section 45: Teachers Retirement System***

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| State General Funds | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| State Funds Transfers | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| Retirement Payments | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,712,180 | $43,712,180 | $43,712,180 |

**Local/Floor COLA** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |

**325.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the declining population of teachers who qualify for benefits.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($35,721) | ($35,721) | ($35,721) |

**325.100 Local/Floor COLA** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |

**System Administration (TRS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| State Funds Transfers | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| Retirement Payments | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

**326.100 System Administration (TRS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Retirement Payments** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

**It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Teachers Retirement System shall not exceed 19.81% for State Fiscal Year 2022.**

***Section 46: Technical College System of Georgia***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 |
| State General Funds | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| Sales and Services | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $344,086,940 | $343,936,940 | $345,436,940 |
| **State General Funds** | $344,086,940 | $343,936,940 | $345,436,940 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| **Sales and Services** | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $951,292,048 | $951,142,048 | $952,642,048 |

**Adult Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of GED preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| State General Funds | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| Sales and Services | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| State Funds Transfers | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 |

**327.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $31,712 | $31,712 | $31,712 |

**327.99** ***SAC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high*

*school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

***House**: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

***Governor**: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**327.100 Adult Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,381,285 | $43,381,285 | $43,381,285 |

**Departmental Administration (TCSG)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| State General Funds | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| Sales and Services | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 |

**328.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,411 | $6,411 | $6,411 |

**328.100 Departmental Administration (TCSG)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,436,676 | $7,436,676 | $7,436,676 |

**Economic Development and Customized Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide customized services for existing businesses in the state.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| State General Funds | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| Sales and Services | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 |

**329.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,141 | $3,141 | $3,141 |

| **329.100 Economic Development and Customized Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide customized services for existing businesses in the state.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **Sales and Services** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,617,937 | $30,617,937 | $30,617,937 |

| **Governor's Office of Workforce Development** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| Sales and Services | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 |

**330.100 Governor's Office of Workforce Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 |

**Quick Start** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| State General Funds | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| Sales and Services | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 |

**331.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $18,607 | $18,607 | $18,607 |

**331.100 Quick Start** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,284,364 | $10,284,364 | $10,284,364 |

**Technical Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 |
| State General Funds | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| Sales and Services | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 |

**332.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $704,156 | $704,156 | $704,156 |

**332.2** *Increase funds for formula earnings for the 2021-2022 school year to reflect a 1.6% increase in credit hour enrollment ($4,286,542) and a 3.5% increase in square footage ($1,798,130).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,084,672 | $6,084,672 | $6,084,672 |

**332.3** *Increase funds for prior-year formula earnings for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect a 1.5% increase in credit hour enrollment ($3,706,709) and a 0.3% decrease in square footage (($193,018)) not funded in the original FY2021 budget.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 |

**332.4** *Eliminate funds for the Rural Technical Worker Pilot Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($150,000) | ($150,000) |

**332.5** *Increase funds for the Technical College System of Georgia High School Diploma program pursuant to SB204 (2021 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,500,000 |

**332.6** *Recognize $1,209,358,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425F in both the University System and the Technical College System. (S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 |

**332.100 Technical Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $308,138,592 | $307,988,592 | $309,488,592 |
| **State General Funds** | $308,138,592 | $307,988,592 | $309,488,592 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| **Sales and Services** | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $736,418,454 | $736,268,454 | $737,768,454 |

***Section 47: Transportation, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 |
| State General Funds | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| Sales and Services | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,944,402,069 | $1,952,090,517 | $1,952,165,517 |
| **State General Funds** | $110,180,029 | $117,868,477 | $112,943,477 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $1,834,222,040 | $1,834,222,040 | $1,839,222,040 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| **Sales and Services** | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,650,153,680 | $3,657,842,128 | $3,657,917,128 |

**Capital Construction Projects** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| Sales and Services | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 |

**333.1** *Increase funds for construction projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $99,434,198 | $157,634,733 | $162,134,733 |

**333.2** *Utilize existing funds ($10,000,000) to improve freight efficiency and track safety by addressing various infrastructure issues. (G:YES)(H and S:YES; Utilize existing state funds ($6,000,000) and federal funds ($4,000,000) to improve freight efficiency and truck safety by addressing various infrastructure issues)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**333.3** *Utilize existing funds ($10,000,000) for broadband and rural development initiatives to enhance broadband access in underserved areas and promote safety and innovation on rural roadways. (G:YES)(H and S:YES; Utilize existing state funds ($6,000,000) and federal funds ($4,000,000) for broadband and rural development initiatives to enhance broadband access in underserved areas and promote safety and innovation on rural roadways)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**333.4** *Utilize existing funds ($500,000) for road safety improvements. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**333.100 Capital Construction Projects** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $839,378,878 | $897,579,413 | $902,079,413 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $839,378,878 | $897,579,413 | $902,079,413 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| **Sales and Services** | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,757,132,007 | $1,815,332,542 | $1,819,832,542 |

**Capital Maintenance Projects** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| Sales and Services | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 |

**334.1** *Increase funds for additional resurfacing. (H and S:Reduce funds and recognize $67,129,790 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $45,382,254 | ($21,747,536) | ($21,747,536) |

**334.100 Capital Maintenance Projects** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $127,329,790 | $60,200,000 | $60,200,000 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $127,329,790 | $60,200,000 | $60,200,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **Sales and Services** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $409,280,364 | $342,150,574 | $342,150,574 |

**Program Delivery Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| Sales and Services | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 |

**335.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $5,500,000 | $5,500,000 | $5,500,000 |

**335.98** *Change the name of the Construction Administration program to the Program Delivery Administration program to more accurately align with program purpose. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**335.100 Program Delivery Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $159,744,329 | $159,744,329 | $159,744,329 |

**Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 |

**336.100 Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 |

**Departmental Administration (DOT)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| Sales and Services | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 |

**337.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |

**337.100 Departmental Administration (DOT)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **Sales and Services** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $83,531,918 | $83,531,918 | $83,531,918 |

**Intermodal** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| Sales and Services | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 |

**338.1** *Increase funds to recognize additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) for Athens-Clarke County Transit ($1,000,000) and other transit projects ($638,448). (S:Increase funds to recognize additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) for transit projects)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,638,448 | $638,448 |

**338.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding from additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) to Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority for the rehabilitation of the Bankhead Station to support a regional economic project.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,000,000 | $0 |

**338.3** *Increase funds for security improvements for state-owned rail line facilities.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**338.4** *Increase funds for one-time funding for contract with consultant to assist in development of freight and logistics plan in conjunction with the Georgia Commission on Freight and Logistics.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 |

**338.5** *Increase funds for Airport Aid.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 |

**338.6** *Increase funds for state railroad clearing.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $75,000 |

**338.7** *Recognize Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) funds available for Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority ($33,524,951) and Athens-Clarke County ($366,722). (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**338.8** *Recognize $1,558,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Federal Transit Grants for Rural Areas CFDA 20.509+. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

| **338.100 Intermodal** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,981,122 | $29,669,570 | $24,744,570 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,981,122 | $29,669,570 | $24,744,570 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $115,624,723 | $123,313,171 | $118,388,171 |

| **Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing projects through the state-funded Construction-Local Road Assistance program.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |

**339.1** *Increase funds for local maintenance and improvement grants to reflect 10% of projected motor fuel revenues.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $21,619,760 | $21,619,760 | $21,619,760 |

| **339.100 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing projects through the state-funded Construction-Local Road Assistance program.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 |

**Local Road Assistance Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 |

**340.100 Local Road Assistance Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 |

**Planning** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and financing of transportation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 |

**341.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for a strategy development initiative for regional transportation planning.*

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|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $500,000 |

**341.100 Planning** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and financing of transportation.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,857,098 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,857,098 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,629,893 |

**Routine Maintenance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| Sales and Services | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 |

**342.1** *Increase funds for maintenance service agreements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 |

**342.100 Routine Maintenance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 |

**Traffic Management and Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| Sales and Services | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 |

**343.100 Traffic Management and Control** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **Sales and Services** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 |

**Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**344.1** *Recognize additional revenue ($7,000,000) from HB105 (2020 Session) for transit purposes to replace HB170 (2015 Session) fee revenues to be allocated for other eligible expenditures in transportation. (S:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**344.98** *Transfer funds and the Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority program from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Transportation as an attached agency pursuant to HB511 (2020 Session).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

| **344.100 Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

| **Payments to the State Road and Tollway Authority** | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments and other finance instruments and for operations.* | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 |
| State General Funds | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 |

**345.1** *Reduce funds to reflect a reduction in debt service requirements.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($38,485,117) | ($38,485,117) | ($38,485,117) |

**345.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to establish the Financing Strategy for Tolling Resilience (FSTR) Guaranteed Revenue Bond (GRB) Debt Service Reserve Fund to strategically restructure debt obligations to leverage favorable interest rates and provide flexibility for future projects. (S:Increase funds for one-time funding to establish the Financing Strategy for Tolling Resilience (FSTR) Guaranteed Revenue Bond (GRB) Debt Service Reserve Fund to strategically restructure debt obligations to leverage favorable interest rates and provide flexibility for future projects authorized under legal parameters of Section 47 of this Act)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $38,800,000 | $38,800,000 | $38,800,000 |

**345.3** *Reduce funds and replace motor fuel funds for operations of the Northwest Corridor and I-75 South new managed lanes and I-85 land extension with guaranteed revenue bond funds leveraged through the FSTR initiative.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) |

**345.4** *Increase funds for the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB).*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $3,140,322 | $3,140,322 |

**345.5** *Increase funds to meet Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) bond debt requirements.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $5,788,933 | $5,788,933 |

| **345.100 Payments to the State Road and Tollway Authority** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments and other finance instruments and for operations.* | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $79,137,735 | $88,066,990 | $88,066,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $3,763,273 | $12,692,528 | $12,692,528 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $214,137,735 | $223,066,990 | $223,066,990 |

**It is the intent of this General Assembly that the following provisions apply:**
**a.) In order to meet the requirements for projects on the Interstate System, the Office of Planning and Budget is hereby authorized and directed to give advanced budgetary authorization for letting and execution of Interstate Highway Contracts not to exceed the amount of Motor Fuel Tax Revenues actually paid into the Office of the State Treasurer, attached agency of the Department of Administrative Services.**
**b.) Programs financed by Motor Fuel Tax Funds may be adjusted for additional appropriation or balances brought forward from previous years with prior approval by the Office of Planning and Budget.**
**c.) The Fiscal Officers of the State are hereby directed as of July 1st of each fiscal year to determine the collection of Motor Fuel Tax in the immediately preceding year less refunds, rebates and collection costs and enter this amount as being the appropriation payable in lieu of the Motor Fuel Tax Funds appropriated in this Bill, in the event such collections, less refunds, rebates and collection costs, exceed such Motor Fuel Tax Appropriation.**
**d.) Functions financed with General Fund appropriations shall be accounted for separately and shall be in addition to appropriations of Motor Fuel Tax revenues required under Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI, Subsection (b) of the State Constitution.**
**e.) Bus rental income may be retained to operate, maintain and upgrade department-owned buses.**
**f.) From State Motor Fuel Funds, $38,800,000 is specially appropriated for payment into the "State of Georgia Guaranteed Revenue Debt Common Reserve Fund". The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize the guarantee by the State of the issuance of revenue obligations of the State Road and Tollway Authority for the construction and improvements to roads and**

**bridges including related planning, engineering and land acquisition expenses, and for the defeasance of existing outstanding debt of the State Road and Tollway Authority, through the issuance of not more than $567,000,000 in principal amount of Guaranteed Revenue Debt in which the amount of the highest annual debt service shall not exceed the amount of this appropriation. The General Assembly has determined that the obligation will be self-liquidating over the life of the issue.**

***Section 48: Veterans Service, Department of***

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|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 |
| State General Funds | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Sales and Services | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $49,379,212 | $49,379,212 | $49,379,212 |

**Departmental Administration (DVS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| State General Funds | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |

**346.100 Departmental Administration (DVS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |

**Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| State General Funds | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 |

**347.1** *Increase funds for one grounds maintenance technician at the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Milledgeville.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $42,131 | $42,131 | $42,131 |

**347.100 Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $751,988 | $751,988 | $751,988 |
| **State General Funds** | $751,988 | $751,988 | $751,988 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,079,884 | $1,079,884 | $1,079,884 |

**Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 |
| State General Funds | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Sales and Services | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 |

**348.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $39,869 | $39,869 | $39,869 |

**348.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for renovations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,182,047) | ($1,182,047) | ($1,182,047) |

**348.100 Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $38,376,315 | $38,376,315 | $38,376,315 |

**Veterans Benefits** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| State General Funds | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 |

**349.100 Veterans Benefits** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 |

***Section 49: Workers' Compensation, State Board of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| State General Funds | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| Sales and Services | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **Sales and Services** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,480,063 | $19,480,063 | $19,480,063 |

**Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| State General Funds | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| Sales and Services | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 |

**350.100 Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 |

**Board Administration (SBWC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| State General Funds | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| Sales and Services | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 |

**351.1** *Eliminate funds to eliminate the payment to the Office of State Treasurer.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,912,185) | ($1,912,185) | ($1,912,185) |

**351.100 Board Administration (SBWC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **Sales and Services** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,134,699 | $6,134,699 | $6,134,699 |

***Section 50: State of Georgia General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 |
| State General Funds | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,208,308,263 | $1,195,735,509 | $1,200,744,253 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,082,493,346 | $1,069,920,592 | $1,079,929,336 |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $125,814,917 | $125,814,917 | $120,814,917 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,226,282,822 | $1,213,710,068 | $1,218,718,812 |

| **General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - Issued** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 |
| State General Funds | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 |

**352.1** *Transfer funds from GO Bonds New program to GO Bonds Issued program to reflect the issuance of new bonds.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |

**352.2** *Reduce funds for debt service to reflect savings associated with favorable rates received in recent bond sales.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($227,941,449) | ($227,941,449) | ($227,941,449) |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($4,769,747) | ($4,769,747) | ($4,769,747) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($232,711,196) | ($232,711,196) | ($232,711,196) |

**352.3** *Increase funds for debt service. (H and S:Reduce funds for debt service to reflect prepayment in the Amended FY2021 budget (HB80, 2021 Session))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,479,860 | ($6,530,550) | ($5,993,975) |

**352.4** *Replace funds for road and bridge projects.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $19,489,506 | $19,489,506 | $19,489,506 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($19,489,506) | ($19,489,506) | ($19,489,506) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.5** *Replace funds for debt service on bridge bonds and transfer savings to the OneGeorgia Authority to establish the Rural Communities Innovation Fund.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,995,757) | ($30,995,757) | ($30,995,757) |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $30,995,757 | $30,995,757 | $30,995,757 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.6** *Redirect $3,495,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2020 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB31, Bond #355.101) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.7** *Redirect $160,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2020 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth (HB31, Bond #355.103) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.8** *Redirect $775,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2019 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB684, Bond #2) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.9** *Redirect $2,220,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2018 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth (HB44, Bond #348.103) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.10** *Redirect $350,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2018 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB44, Bond #348.102) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.11** *Redirect $560,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2016 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB76, Bond #355.101) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.12** *Redirect $300,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2015 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth (HB744, Bond #3) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.13** *Redirect $255,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2015 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB744, Bond #2) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.14** *Redirect $220,000 in 20-year issued bonds from FY2017 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB751, Bond #1) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.15** *Redirect $12,500 in 20-year issued bonds from FY2017 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB751, Bond #2) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.16** *Redirect $4,217,500 in 20-year issued bonds from FY2015 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB744, Bond #1) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.17** *Replace funds.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $5,000,000 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($5,000,000) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 |

| **352.100 General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - Issued** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,114,880,030 | $1,096,869,620 | $1,097,406,195 |
| **State General Funds** | $997,625,113 | $979,614,703 | $985,151,278 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $117,254,917 | $117,254,917 | $112,254,917 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |

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|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,132,854,589 | $1,114,844,179 | $1,115,380,754 |

| **General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - New** | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| State General Funds | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |

## Total Debt Service

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *5 year at 5.07%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $25,050,207 | $28,063,035 | $28,036,424 |
| *10 year at 5.52%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $2,656,000 | $265,600 | $265,600 |
| *20 year at 5.77%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $37,879,284 | $40,792,252 | $41,642,688 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $46,439,284 | $49,352,252 | $50,202,688 |
| *20 year at 6.5%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $19,282,742 | $21,185,002 | $24,833,346 |
| *Total Amount* | | | |
| State General Funds | $84,868,233 | $90,305,889 | $94,778,058 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $93,428,233 | $98,865,889 | $103,338,058 |

## Total Principal Amount

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *5 year at 5.07%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $108,255,000 | $121,275,000 | $121,160,000 |
| *10 year at 5.52%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $20,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| *20 year at 5.77%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $442,515,000 | $476,545,000 | $486,480,000 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $542,515,000 | $576,545,000 | $586,480,000 |
| *20 year at 6.5%* | | | |
| State General Funds | $212,365,000 | $233,315,000 | $273,495,000 |
| *Total Amount* | | | |
| State General Funds | $783,135,000 | $833,135,000 | $883,135,000 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $883,135,000 | $933,135,000 | $983,135,000 |

**353.1** *Transfer funds from GO Bonds New program to GO Bonds Issued program to reflect the issuance of new bonds.*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($120,076,560) | ($120,076,560) | ($120,076,560) |

| **353.100 General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - New** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.101 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $106,125,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (H and S:Provide $106,125,000 in 20-year bonds for the Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $9,084,300 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through**

**the issuance of not more than $106,125,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,123,248 | $9,084,300 | $9,084,300 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.102 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $9,270,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance for local school construction, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $793,512 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $9,270,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $793,512 | $793,512 | $793,512 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.103 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $9,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth for local school construction, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $770,400 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $9,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $770,400 | $770,400 | $770,400 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.104 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $0 in principal for 10 years at 5.52%: Purchase school buses, statewide. (H and S:NO; Reflect funding of $40,154,400 to purchase 520 new school buses in Amended FY2021 budget (HB80, 2021 Session))

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,656,000 | $0 | $0 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.105 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $10,165,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase career, technical, and agricultural education equipment, statewide. (H and S:Provide $10,165,000 in 5-year bonds to purchase career and technical education equipment, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $2,352,181 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $10,165,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,840,435 | $2,352,181 | $2,352,181 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.106 BOND:** State Schools: $3,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund major repairs and renovations for state schools, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $256,800 | $256,800 | $256,800 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.107 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $2,260,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase agricultural education equipment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $522,964 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,260,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $522,964 | $522,964 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.108 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for construction industry certification programs, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $115,700 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $115,700 | $115,700 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.109 BOND:** DOE Locations Statewide: $5,770,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund renovation and addition to Mobley Hall at the Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Covington, Newton County. [Taxable Bond] (S:Provide $5,770,000 in 20-year bonds for renovation and addition to Mobley Hall at the Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Covington, Newton County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $523,916 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than**

**$5,770,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $261,958 $523,916

**Education, Department of**

**353.110 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $2,000,000 in principal for 10 years at 5.52%: Fund incentive to purchase alternative fuel school buses and study the future feasibility of a fully electric school bus fleet.

**From State General Funds, $265,600 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.**

State General Funds $265,600 $265,600

**Education, Department of**

**353.111 BOND:** DOE Locations Statewide: $900,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund renovation of Cabin 6 and Cabin 10 at the Camp John Hope Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Fort Valley, Macon County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $81,720 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $81,720

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.201 BOND:** Regents: $55,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major repairs and renovations, statewide. (S:Provide $55,000,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major repairs and renovations, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $4,708,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $55,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $5,992,000 $5,992,000 $4,708,000

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.202 BOND:** University of Georgia: $5,700,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Interdisciplinary STEM Research Building II, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,318,980 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,318,980 | $1,318,980 | $1,318,980 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.203 BOND:** University of North Georgia: $3,200,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Mike Cottrell College of Business, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, Lumpkin County.

**From State General Funds, $740,480 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $740,480 | $740,480 | $740,480 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.204 BOND:** Fort Valley State University: $12,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for Academic Renovation and Campus Infrastructure, Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, Peach County.

**From State General Funds, $1,044,320 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,044,320 | $1,044,320 | $1,044,320 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.205 BOND:** Valdosta State University: $12,400,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Performing Arts Center, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Lowndes County.

**From State General Funds, $1,061,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,061,440 | $1,061,440 | $1,061,440 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.206 BOND:** University of Georgia: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design, construction, and equipment for the Multidisciplinary Greenhouse Complex, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $454,000 | $454,000 | $454,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.207 BOND:** Kennesaw State University: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction, and equipment for the Crawford Lab (Building E) renovation, Kennesaw State University, Marietta, Cobb County.

**From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $428,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.208 BOND:** Georgia Southern University: $36,700,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Bulloch County. (H:Provide $32,230,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of the Jack and Ruth Ann Hill Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Bulloch County)(S:Provide $36,700,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of the Jack and Ruth Ann Hill Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Bulloch County)

**From State General Funds, $3,141,520 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $36,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,046,888 | $2,758,888 | $3,141,520 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.209 BOND:** University of Georgia: $1,700,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for the renovation and modernization of Science Hill, Phase I (Building 1001), University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $393,380 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $393,380 | $393,380 | $393,380 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.210 BOND:** University of Georgia: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design and construction for Science Hill Modernization - Infrastructure Upgrades, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $454,000 | $454,000 | $454,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.211 BOND:** Atlanta Metropolitan State College: $3,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for energy efficiency and infrastructure upgrades, Atlanta Metropolitan State College, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $273,920 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction,**

**development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $273,920 | $273,920 | $273,920 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.212 BOND:** Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College: $11,800,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for Ag Facilities enhancement, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Tifton, Tift County.

**From State General Funds, $1,010,080 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $11,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,010,080 | $1,010,080 | $1,010,080 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.213 BOND:** University of Georgia: $21,700,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction for Poultry Science Complex Phase I, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,970,360 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $21,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,970,360 | $1,970,360 | $1,970,360 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.214 BOND:** University of West Georgia: $26,300,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Humanities Building renovations and infrastructure, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Carroll County.

**From State General Funds, $2,251,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance**

**of not more than $26,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,251,280 | $2,251,280 | $2,251,280 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.215 BOND:** Georgia Highlands College: $2,400,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for Floyd Campus HVAC Infrastructure, Georgia Highlands College, Rome, Floyd County.

**From State General Funds, $205,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $205,440 | $205,440 | $205,440 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.216 BOND:** Savannah State University: $4,050,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction, and equipment for Campuswide HVAC and Access Control Infrastructure, Savannah State University, Savannah, Chatham County. (H and S:Provide $4,050,000 in 20-year bonds to design, construct, and equip campus-wide HVAC and access control infrastructure, Savannah State University, Savannah, Chatham County)

**From State General Funds, $346,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,050,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $235,400 | $346,680 | $346,680 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.217 BOND:** Albany State University: $7,600,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Nursing and Health Science Simulation Lab Facility, Albany State University, Albany, Dougherty County.

**From State General Funds, $650,560 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,600,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $650,560 | $650,560 | $650,560 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.218 BOND:** Georgia Research Alliance: $5,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment and fund GRA research and development infrastructure, Georgia Research Alliance, multiple locations. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,157,000 | $1,157,000 | $1,157,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.219 BOND:** Georgia Military College: $250,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of the Parham Hall expansion, Georgia Military College, Milledgeville, Baldwin County.

**From State General Funds, $21,400 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Military College by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $250,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $21,400 | $21,400 | $21,400 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.220 BOND:** Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission: $750,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Purchase generators for the field transmission towers, Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $68,100 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $68,100 | $68,100 | $68,100 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.221 BOND:** Georgia State University: $3,100,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Convocation Center, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $717,340 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $717,340 | $717,340 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.222 BOND:** Georgia State University: $2,950,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of construction of the Research Tower - Research Center, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $682,630 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,950,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $682,630 | $682,630 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.223 BOND:** Georgia Gwinnett College: $3,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of Gateway Building and Infrastructure, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County. (S:Provide $3,500,000 in 5-year bonds for design of Gateway Building and Infrastructure, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County)

**From State General Funds, $809,900 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $404,950 | $809,900 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.224 BOND:** Augusta University: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund Christenberry Field House renovations, Augusta University, Augusta, Richmond County. (S:Provide $5,000,000 in 20-year bonds for Christenberry Field House renovations, Augusta University, Augusta, Richmond County)

**From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $214,000 | $428,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.225 BOND:** Dalton State College: $8,300,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of the Bandy Gymnasium renovations, Dalton State College, Dalton, Whitfield County. (S:Provide $8,300,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of the Bandy Gymnasium renovations, Dalton State College, Dalton, Whitfield County)

**From State General Funds, $710,480 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $8,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $355,240 | $710,480 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.226 BOND:** College of Coastal Georgia: $1,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund planning, design and construction for the Andrews Center renovation, College of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick, Glynn County.

**From State General Funds, $128,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $128,400 | $128,400 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.227 BOND:** Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission: $450,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund remote work cyber security upgrades and enhancements, Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $104,130 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $450,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $104,130 | $104,130 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.228 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $2,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for major repair and renovations, Georgia Public Library Service, statewide. (S:Provide $2,000,000 in 20-year bonds for design and construction for major repair and renovations, Georgia Public Library Service, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $85,600 | $171,200 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.229 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $210,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Centralhatchee Public Library expansion, Centralhatchee, Heard County.

**From State General Funds, $17,976 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $210,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $17,976 | $17,976 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.230 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $1,730,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Braselton Branch Library addition, Braselton, Jackson County.

**From State General Funds, $148,088 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,730,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $148,088 $148,088

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.231 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $3,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Vidalia Toombs County Library addition, Vidalia, Toombs County. (S:Provide $3,000,000 in 20-years bonds for design, construction and equipment for the consolidation of and the addition to the Vidalia Toombs County Library and the Ladson Genealogical Library, Vidalia, Toombs County)

**From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $85,600 $256,800

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.232 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $1,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the South Columbus Public Library addition, Columbus, Muscogee County.

**From State General Funds, $85,600 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $85,600 $85,600

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.233 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $900,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund renovation of Thomas County Public Library, Thomasville, Thomas County.

**From State General Funds, $77,040 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $900,000**

**in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $77,040

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.234 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $1,900,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for expansion of the Gritters Library, Cobb County Library System, Marietta, Cobb County.

**From State General Funds, $162,640 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $162,640

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.235 BOND:** University of North Georgia: $1,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of the Cumming Academic Building Addition Cumming Campus, University of North Georgia, Cumming, Forsyth County.

**From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

State General Funds $231,400

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.251 BOND:** Technical College Multi-Projects: $23,900,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund facility major repairs and renovations, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $2,170,120 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $23,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $2,170,120 $2,170,120 $2,170,120

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.252 BOND:** Technical College Multi-Projects: $10,300,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for refresh, statewide. [Taxable Bond] (H and S:Provide $10,300,000 in 5-year bonds for equipment refresh, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $2,383,420 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,314,000 | $2,383,420 | $2,383,420 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.253 BOND:** Gwinnett Technical College: $6,200,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for Building 100 renovation and addition, Gwinnett Technical College, Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,434,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,434,680 | $1,434,680 | $1,434,680 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.254 BOND:** Chattahoochee Technical College: $26,800,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction for the Aviation Training Academy, Chattahoochee Technical College, Dallas, Paulding County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $2,433,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $26,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,433,440 | $2,433,440 | $2,433,440 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.255 BOND:** Athens Technical College: $13,085,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction for Industrial Systems Technology Building, Athens Technical College, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,188,118 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $13,085,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,188,118 | $1,188,118 | $1,188,118 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.256 BOND:** Albany Technical College: $770,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for Diesel Equipment and Auto Collision Demonstration Center, Albany Technical College, Albany, Dougherty County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $178,178 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $770,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $178,178 | $178,178 | $178,178 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.257 BOND:** Savannah Technical College: $3,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design and construction for the Culinary Institute renovation, Savannah Technical College, Savannah, Chatham County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $317,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $317,800 | $317,800 | $317,800 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.258 BOND:** North Georgia Technical College: $5,620,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Dr. Mark A. Ivester Center for Living and Learning, North Georgia Technical College, Clarkesville, Habersham County. [Taxable Bond] (S:Provide

$5,620,000 in 20-year bonds for design, construction and equipment for the Dr. Mark A. Ivester Center for Living and Learning, North Georgia Technical College, Clarkesville, Habersham County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $510,296 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,620,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $255,148 | $510,296 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.259 BOND:** Southern Regional Technical College: $2,270,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of the Technical and Industrial Education Building, Southern Regional Technical College, Moultrie, Colquitt County. [Taxable Bond] (S:Provide $2,270,000 in 5-year bonds for design of the Technical and Industrial Education Building, Southern Regional Technical College, Moultrie, Colquitt County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $525,278 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,270,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $262,639 | $525,278 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.260 BOND:** Technical College Multi-Projects: $9,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of College and Career Academies, statewide. [Taxable Bond] (S:Provide $9,000,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of College and Career Academies, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $817,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $408,600 | $817,200 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.261 BOND:** Georgia Piedmont Technical College: $2,885,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Lithonia, DeKalb County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $261,958 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,885,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $261,958

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.262 BOND:** Atlanta Technical College: $1,600,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Atlanta Technical College, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $145,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,600,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $145,280

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.263 BOND:** Wiregrass Georgia Technical College: $1,100,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Wiregrass Technical College, Douglas, Coffee County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $99,880 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,100,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $99,880

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.264 BOND:** Coastal Pines Technical College: $1,750,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of the new construction at Coastal Pines Technical College, Brunswick, Glynn County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $404,950 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development,**

**extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

State General Funds $404,950

**Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of**

**353.301 BOND:** DBHDD Multi-projects: $2,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major improvements and renovations, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $214,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $214,000 $214,000 $214,000

**Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of**

**353.302 BOND:** DBHDD Multi-projects: $2,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund facility repairs and sustainment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

State General Funds $578,500 $578,500 $578,500

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

**353.331 BOND:** Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency Multi-Projects: $4,305,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund facility repair and sustainment, statewide. (H and S:Provide $4,305,000 in 20-year bonds for facility repairs and sustainment, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $390,894 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,305,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $368,508 | $390,894 | $390,894 |

**Public Health, Department of**

**353.341 BOND:** Public Health Multi-Projects: $435,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund improvements and renovations to public health district office buildings and labs, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $100,659 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Health by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $435,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $100,659 | $100,659 |

**Veterans Service, Department of**

**353.351 BOND:** Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home, Milledgeville: $2,035,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase new furniture, fixtures, and equipment, Milledgeville, Baldwin County.

**From State General Funds, $470,899 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Veterans Service by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,035,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $470,899 | $470,899 | $470,899 |

**Corrections, Department of**

**353.371 BOND:** GDC multi-projects: $15,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund emergency repairs, sustainment, and equipment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $3,471,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $15,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $3,471,000 | $3,471,000 | $3,471,000 |

**Corrections, Department of**

**353.372 BOND:** GDC multi-projects: $15,625,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund security and systems improvements, various, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $3,615,625 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $15,625,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $3,615,625 | $3,615,625 | $3,615,625 |

**Corrections, Department of**

**353.373 BOND:** GDC multi-projects: $14,965,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund major repair, renovations, and improvements, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $1,281,004 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $14,965,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,281,004 | $1,281,004 | $1,281,004 |

**Defense, Department of**

**353.391 BOND:** Defense Multi-projects: $12,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund site improvements and renovations to six Readiness Centers, statewide. (H and S:Provide $12,000,000 in 20-year bonds for site improvements and renovations to Readiness Centers in Tifton, Tift County; Thomasville, Thomas County; Glennville, Tattnall County; Canton, Cherokee County; Elberton, Elbert County; and Hinesville, Liberty County)

**From State General Funds, $1,027,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 |

**Defense, Department of**

**353.392 BOND:** National Guard Armories: $4,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facilities maintenance and repairs, match federal funds, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $342,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension,**

**enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $342,400 | $342,400 | $342,400 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.401 BOND:** Coastal Regional Crime Lab: $750,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase CT scan equipment for medical examiner's office, Pooler, Chatham County.

**From State General Funds, $173,550 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $173,550 | $173,550 | $173,550 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.402 BOND:** GBI Multi-Projects: $550,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for Region One Calhoun Investigative Office and Special Operations Garage, Calhoun, Gordon County.

**From State General Funds, $127,270 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $550,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $127,270 | $127,270 | $127,270 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.403 BOND:** GBI Multi-Projects: $1,300,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major repairs and renovations, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $111,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more**

**than $1,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $111,280 | $111,280 | $111,280 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.404 BOND:** GBI Multi-Projects: $1,345,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Division of Forensic Sciences Laboratories, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $311,233 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,345,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $311,233 | $311,233 | $311,233 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.411 BOND:** DJJ Multi-Projects: $3,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund facility repairs and sustainment at various locations, statewide. (H:NO)(S:Fund facility repairs and sustainment at various locations, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $694,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $694,200 | $0 | $694,200 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.412 BOND:** Muscogee Youth Development Campus: $13,725,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for the Muscogee Youth Development Campus (YDC) 56 bed housing unit, Columbus, Muscogee County.

**From State General Funds, $1,174,860 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $13,725,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,174,860 | $1,174,860 | $1,174,860 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.413 BOND:** Augusta State Youth Development Campus: $900,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of academic building at the Augusta Youth Development Campus, Augusta, Richmond County.

**From State General Funds, $208,260 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $208,260 | $208,260 | $208,260 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.414 BOND:** Augusta State Youth Development Campus: $11,725,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for the Augusta Youth Development Campus 56 bed housing unit, Augusta, Richmond County.

**From State General Funds, $1,003,660 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $11,725,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,003,660 | $1,003,660 | $1,003,660 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.415 BOND:** Judge Thomas Jefferson Loftiss II Regional Youth Detention Center: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for site improvements of the Loftiss Regional Youth Detention Center (RYDC) due to DBHDD closure, Thomasville, Thomas County.

**From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $428,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.416 BOND:** DJJ Multi-Projects: $1,160,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase weapon and contraband detection equipment for nine facilities, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $268,424 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,160,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $268,424 | $268,424 | $268,424 |

**Public Safety, Department of**

**353.431 BOND:** DPS Headquarters: $56,410,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for new headquarters building and demolition of current building, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $4,828,696 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $56,410,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $4,828,696 | $4,828,696 | $4,828,696 |

**Public Safety, Department of**

**353.432 BOND:** DPS Multi-Projects: $775,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment to upgrade helicopter systems, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $179,335 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $775,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $179,335 | $179,335 | $179,335 |

**Public Safety, Department of**

**353.433 BOND:** Patrol Posts Various: $655,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of three new communication towers, various, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $56,068 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $655,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $56,068 | $56,068 | $56,068 |

**Building Authority, Georgia**

**353.501 BOND:** GBA multi-projects: $2,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for renovation of the existing Judicial Building, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $578,500 | $578,500 | $578,500 |

**Building Authority, Georgia**

**353.502 BOND:** GBA multi-projects: $1,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund renovations of Old Judicial Building and State Capitol, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $128,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | | | $128,400 |

**Driver Services, Department of**

**353.511 BOND:** Department of Driver Services - Multi-Projects: $580,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund installation of security cameras and generators, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $134,212 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension,**

**enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $580,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

State General Funds $134,212 $134,212 $134,212

**Driver Services, Department of**

**353.512 BOND:** Department of Driver Services - Multi-Projects: $1,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction and equipment for a new Commercial Driver License (CDL) testing pad and carousel, Hazlehurst, Jeff Davis County.

**From State General Funds, $102,720 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $102,720

**Driver Services, Department of**

**353.513 BOND:** Department of Driver Services - Multi-Projects: $600,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of a new Customer Service Center, Rome, Floyd County.

**From State General Funds, $51,360 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $600,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

State General Funds $51,360

**Financing and Investment Commission, Georgia State**

**353.521 BOND:** GSFIC-Multi-Projects: $10,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund construction for repairs and renovations of state-owned facilities, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $2,314,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance**

**of not more than $10,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,314,000 | $2,314,000 | $2,314,000 |

**General Assembly, Georgia**

**353.531 BOND:** Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices: $1,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund upgrade to the Legislative Management System. (S:Provide $1,500,000 in 5-years bonds for upgrade to the Legislative Management System)

**From State General Funds, $347,100 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia General Assembly by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $173,550 | $347,100 |

**Environmental Finance Authority, Georgia**

**353.581 BOND:** Local Government Infrastructure: $12,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund Federal State Revolving Fund Match, Clean Water and Drinking Water Loan Programs, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $1,027,200 is specifically appropriated for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority for the purpose of financing loans to counties, municipal corporations, political subdivisions, local authorities, and other local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems or for regional or multijurisdictional solid waste recycling or solid waste facilities or systems, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 |

**Agriculture, Department of**

**353.591 BOND:** Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority: $630,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund equipment, and facility major improvements and renovations, Perry, Houston County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $57,204 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Agriculture for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $630,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $57,204 | $57,204 | $57,204 |

**Agriculture, Department of**

**353.592 BOND:** State Farmers' Markets: $1,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund facility repairs and sustainment for farmers' markets, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $231,400 | $231,400 |

**Forestry Commission, State**

**353.601 BOND:** Forestry Equipment: $690,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase replacement fire fighting equipment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $159,666 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $690,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $159,666 | $159,666 | $159,666 |

**Forestry Commission, State**

**353.602 BOND:** Forestry Buildings: $950,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund planning, design, construction, and equipment for Pierce unit, Patterson, Pierce County.

**From State General Funds, $81,320 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $950,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $81,320 | $81,320 | $81,320 |

**Natural Resources, Department of**

**353.611 BOND:** DNR multi-projects: $17,115,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major improvements and renovations, statewide. (H:Provide $12,400,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major improvements and renovations, statewide)(S:Provide $17,115,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major improvements and renovations, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $1,465,044 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $17,115,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $684,800 | $1,061,440 | $1,465,044 |

**Natural Resources, Department of**

**353.612 BOND:** Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority: $21,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund Lake Lanier Islands Conference Center, Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, statewide. [Taxable Bond] (H:Provide $9,500,000 in 5-year bonds for Lake Lanier Islands Conference Center, Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, statewide [Taxable Bond])(S:Provide $21,000,000 in 20-year bonds for Lake Lanier Islands Conference Center, Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $1,906,800 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $21,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,388,400 | $2,198,300 | $1,906,800 |

**Soil and Water Conservation Commission, State**

**353.621 BOND:** Soil & Water Conservation Watershed: $1,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund rehabilitation and maintenance, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $85,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Soil and Water Conservation Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $85,600 | $85,600 | $85,600 |

**Economic Development, Department of**

**353.631 BOND:** Savannah Convention Center: $90,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund expansion of the State Convention Center, Savannah, Chatham County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $8,172,000 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Savannah-Georgia Convention Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $90,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $8,172,000 | $8,172,000 | $8,172,000 |

**Economic Development, Department of**

**353.632 BOND:** Georgia World Congress Center: $12,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund Georgia World Congress Center roof repairs, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,089,600 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,089,600 | $1,089,600 | $1,089,600 |

**Stone Mountain Memorial Association**

**353.641 BOND:** Stone Mountain Memorial Association: $3,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of Campground Phase 2 Renovation at Stone Mountain Park, Stone Mountain, DeKalb County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $317,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Stone Mountain Memorial Association by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $317,800 | $317,800 |

**Jekyll Island-State Park Authority**

**353.651 BOND:** Jekyll Island: $2,950,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design and construction of campground expansion, Jekyll Island, Glynn County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $267,860 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Jekyll Island-State Park Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,950,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $267,860 | | $267,860 |

**Transportation, Department of**

**353.671 BOND:** Roads and Bridges: $100,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund repair, replacement, and renovation of bridges, statewide. (H and S:Provide $100,000,000 in 20-year bonds for repair, replacement, and renovation of road and bridges, statewide)

**From State Motor Fuel Funds, $8,560,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $100,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State Motor Fuel Funds | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 |

**Transportation, Department of**

**353.672 BOND:** Rail Lines: $12,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund upgrade of shortline railroads to Class II rail. [Taxable Bond] (H:Provide $10,000,000 in 20-year bonds to upgrade state-owned shortline railroads to Class II standards to help reduce truck traffic on state highways. Fund $2,950,000 for Georgia Southwestern Railroad to upgrade track and bridges between Cuthbert and Lynn and $7,050,000 for Heart of Georgia Railroad to upgrade bridges and track between Preston and Vidalia, as referenced in the Department of Transportation priority list [Taxable Bond])(S:Provide $12,500,000 in 20-year bonds to upgrade state-owned shortline railroads to Class II standards to help reduce truck traffic on state highways. Fund $2,950,000 for Georgia Southwestern Railroad to upgrade track and bridges between Cuthbert and Lynn, $7,050,000 for Heart of Georgia Railroad to upgrade bridges and track between Preston and Vidalia, and $2,500,000 for Chattooga and Chickamauga Railway to upgrade bridges and track between Lyerly and Rossville, as referenced in the Department of Transportation priority list [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $1,135,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $908,000 | $908,000 | $1,135,000 |

***Section 51: General Obligation Bonds Repealed, Revised, or Reinstated***
**Reserved.**

***Section 52: Salary Adjustments***
**Reserved.**

***Section 53: Refunds***
**In addition to all other appropriations, there is hereby appropriated, as needed, a specific sum of money equal to each refund authorized by law, which is required to make refunds of taxes and other monies collected in error, farmer gasoline tax refunds, and any other refunds specifically authorized by law.**

***Section 54: Leases***
**In accordance with the requirements of Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I(a) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, as amended, there is hereby appropriated payable to each department, agency, or institution of the State sums sufficient to satisfy the payments required to be made in each year under existing lease contracts between any department, agency, or institution of the State and any authority created and activated at the time of the effective date of the aforesaid constitutional provision, as amended, or appropriated for the State Fiscal Year addressed within this Act. If for any reason any of the sums herein provided under any other provision of this Act are insufficient to make the required payments in full, then there shall be taken from other funds appropriated to the department, agency, or institution involved an amount sufficient to satisfy such deficiency in full, and the lease payment shall constitute a first charge on all such appropriations.**

***Section 55: Budgetary Control and Interpretation***
**The appropriations in this Act consist of the amount stated in the right-most column, for each line at the lowest level of detail for the fund source categories, "Total State Funds" and "Total Federal Funds," under a caption beginning with a program or special project number that has a 100 or a higher number after the decimal and a program or special project name. In each case, such appropriation is associated with the immediately preceding program or special project name, number, and statement of program or special project purpose. The program or special project purpose is stated immediately below the program or special project name. For authorizations for general obligation debt in Section 50, the indented, bold-faced paragraphs following each Bond number are the lowest level of detail and constitute appropriations in accordance with Article VII, Section IV, Paragraph III(a)(1) of the Georgia Constitution. The caption above the Bond number, the light-faced text immediately following the Bond number before the bold-faced text, and the light-faced after the boldfaced text are information only.**

**Similarly, text in a group of lines that has a number less than 100 after the decimal (01 through 99) is not part of a statement of purpose but constitutes information as to how the appropriation was derived. Amounts in the columns other than the right-most column are for informational purposes only. The summary and lowest level of detail for the fund source categories "Total Agency Funds" and "Total IntraState Governmental Transfers," are for informational purposes only. The blocks of text and numerals immediately following the section header and beginning with the phrases, "Section Total - Continuation" and "Section Totals - Final" are for informational purposes only. Sections 51, 52, 53, and 54 contain, constitute, or amend appropriations.**

***Section 56: Flex***
**Notwithstanding any other statement of purpose, the purpose of each appropriation of federal funds or other funds shall be the stated purpose or any other lawful purpose consistent with the fund source and the general law powers of the budget unit.**

**In the preceding sentence, "Federal Funds" means any federal funding source, whether specifically identified or not specifically identified; "Other Funds" means all other fund sources except State Funds or Federal Funds, including without limitation Intra-State Government Transfers. This paragraph shall not permit an agency to include within its flex the appropriations for an agency attached to it for administrative purposes.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid," "Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled," and "PeachCare" programs of the Department of Community Health, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "Capital Construction Projects," "Capital Maintenance Projects," and "Local Road Assistance Administration" programs of the Department of Transportation, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "HOPE GED," "HOPE Grant," "HOPE Scholarships – Private Schools," and "HOPE Scholarships – Public Schools" programs of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the four programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

***Part II: Effective Date***
**This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.**

***Part III: Repeal Conflicting Laws***
**All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.**

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

HB 81, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Tillery of the 19th moved that HB 81 be immediately transmitted to the House.

On the motion, there was no objection, and HB 81 was immediately transmitted.

HB 451. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Knight of the 130th, Carson of the 46th and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to provide for the optional determination by a taxpayer of the fair market value applicable to inventory for which a level 1 freeport exemption

is sought for certain taxable years; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Mullis of the 53rd.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 451:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to provide for the optional determination by a taxpayer of the fair market value applicable to inventory for which a level 1 freeport exemption is sought for certain taxable years; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, is amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 48-5-48.1, relating to tangible personal property inventory exemption, application, failure to file application as waiver of exemption, denials, and notice of renewals, to read as follows:

"(f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, for a taxpayer that claimed an exemption for the 2020 taxable year for finished goods inventory described within paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Code Section 48-5-48.2, the taxpayer shall have the option to determine the fair market value of eligible finished goods inventory for which such exemption is applicable and sought for the 2021 taxable year based on either the fair market value of applicable inventory as of January 1, 2020, or the fair market value of applicable inventory as of January 1, 2021."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute,

was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 451, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

SR 190. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Lucas of the 26th, Robertson of the 29th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A RESOLUTION urging Congress to allow individuals to retain the right to use their image and likeness and shield them from copyright infringement; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |

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|---|---|---|
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

SR 190, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HB 395. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Corbett of the 174th, Lumsden of the 12th, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professional counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists, so as to revise certain licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Professional Counselors Licensure Compact"; to authorize the Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists to administer the compact in this state; to authorize the board to conduct national background checks; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |

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| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 395, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 154. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Rich of the 97th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children, including foster children and adopted children; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 154:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children, including foster children and adopted children; to allow for notice by certified mail in certain adoption proceedings; to revise a provision relating to the surrender of a mother's parental rights; to revise a provision relating to the results of a search of the

putative father registry; to include certain provisions in adoption petitions; to revise provisions relating to appointment of an agent for a petitioner; to revise provisions relating to required criminal history records checks of petitioners; to revise provisions relating to petitioners who are nonresidents of Georgia; to provide for an additional unlawful inducement with respect to adoptions; to provide for restitution; to prohibit certain adoption facilitators; to revise various adoption related forms with respect to revocation periods; to amend Code Section 29-4-10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to petition for appointment of guardian and requirements for petition, so as to provide for the appointment of a guardian for a minor who is in the custody of the Division of Family and Children Services when the minor becomes an adult; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Code Section 19-8-2, relating to jurisdiction and venue of adoption proceedings, as follows:

"(3) When a child has been placed for adoption with an individual who is a resident of another state in compliance with Chapter 4 of Title 39, relating to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children~~,~~; with an individual who is a resident of another state to which the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children does not apply; or with an individual who is a resident of another country, such petition shall be filed in:

(A) The court of the county where the child was born, or resides, or was residing at the time of placement;

(B) The court of the county in which is located any child-placing agency having legal custody of the child; or

(C) Superior Court of Fulton County."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 19-8-3, relating to who may petition to adopt a child, as follows:

"19-8-3.

(a) Any individual may petition to adopt a child if he or she:

(1) Is at least ~~25~~ 21 years of age or is married and living with his or her spouse~~, or is at least 21 years of age and is a relative of the child~~;

(2) Is at least ten years older than the child, except such ten-year requirement shall not apply when the petitioner is a stepparent or relative and the petition is filed pursuant to Code Section 19-8-6 or 19-8-7;

(3)(A) Is a bona fide resident of this state at the filing of the petition for adoption; or (B) Is ~~is~~ a bona fide resident of the receiving state when the adoptee was either born in this state or is a resident of this state at the time of his or her placement for adoption, and was placed in compliance with Chapter 4 of Title 39, relating to the Interstate

Compact on the Placement of Children. For purposes of this paragraph, a nonresident of Georgia is deemed to have complied with the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children if the compact does not apply as defined in Article VIII of the Compact or if the individual is a resident of another country; and

(4) Is financially, physically, and mentally able to have permanent custody of the child.

(b) If an individual seeking to adopt a child is married, the petition for adoption shall be filed in the name of both spouses; provided, however, that, when the child is or was the stepchild of the party seeking to adopt, such petition shall be filed by the stepparent alone."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (j) of Code Section 19-8-5, relating to third party adoption by party who is not stepparent or relative of child, as follows:

"(j) A petition for adoption pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ this Code section shall be filed within 60 days from the date the surrender of rights is executed; provided, however, that for good cause shown the court may waive the 60 day requirement. If the petition for adoption is not filed within the time period specified by this subsection and the court does not waive the 60 day requirement or if the proceedings resulting from such petition are not concluded with an order granting such petition, then the surrender of rights shall operate as follows according to the election made in such surrender by the parent or guardian of the child:

(1) In favor of such parent or guardian, with the express stipulation that neither this nor any other provision of the surrender of rights shall be deemed to impair the validity, absolute finality, or totality of such surrender under any other circumstance, once the revocation period has elapsed;

(2) In favor of the child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency designated in the surrender of rights, if any; or

(3) If the parent or guardian is not designated and no child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency is designated in the surrender of rights, or if the designated child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency declines to accept the child for placement for adoption, in favor of the department for placement for adoption pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-4."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 19-8-9, relating to revocation of surrender of rights, time limit, and effect of voluntary surrender of rights by legal mother, as follows:

"19-8-9.

(a) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of Code Section 9-10-12 which authorizes the use of certified mail, an individual signing a surrender of rights pursuant to Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7 shall have the right to revoke such surrender by written notice delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery within four days after signing such surrender; and such surrender document shall not be valid

unless it so states. The four-day revocation period shall be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date the surrender of rights is executed; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which such surrender may be revoked shall be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. After the four-day period, a surrender of rights cannot be revoked. Notwithstanding subsection (a) of Code Section 9-10-12 which authorizes the use of certified mail, the notice of revocation of a surrender of rights shall be delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery to the address designated in the surrender document. If delivered in person, it shall be delivered to the address shown in the surrender document not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. If mailed by registered mail or delivered by statutory overnight delivery, it shall be addressed to the address shown in the surrender document and submitted to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day.

(b) If a legal mother has either voluntarily and in writing surrendered all of her parental rights pursuant to Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7 or pursuant to the corresponding provisions of the laws of another state, and has not revoked her surrender ~~within the four-day period after signing as permitted by subsection (a) of this Code section~~ as allowed by applicable law, or has had her parental rights involuntarily terminated by a court of competent jurisdiction, she shall have no right or authority to sign a voluntary acknowledgment of paternity pursuant to Code Section 19-7-46.1 or consent to the granting of a petition for legitimation filed pursuant to Code Section 19-7-22 regarding the same child."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 19-8-10, relating to when surrender or termination of parental rights of living parent not required, service on parents in such cases, and involuntary termination of rights, as follows:

"(c)(1) Whenever it is alleged by any petitioner that surrender or termination of rights of a living parent is not a prerequisite to the granting of a petition for adoption of a child of such parent in accordance with subsection (a) or (b) of this Code section, such parent shall be personally served with a conformed copy of the adoption petition, together with a copy of the court's order thereon specified in Code Section 19-8-14, or, if personal service cannot be perfected, ~~notwithstanding subsection (a) of Code Section 9-10-12 which authorizes the use of certified mail,~~ by certified mail or registered mail, return receipt requested, or statutory overnight delivery, one-day service not required, at his or her last known address. If service cannot be made by these methods, such parent shall be given notice by publication once a week for three weeks in the official organ of the county where such petition has been filed and of the county of his or her last known address. In the interest of time, publication may be initiated simultaneously with efforts to perfect service personally, by certified mail or registered mail, or by statutory overnight delivery. The court shall continue to have the inherent authority to

determine the sufficiency of service. A parent who receives notification pursuant to this paragraph shall not be a party to the adoption and shall have no obligation to file an answer, but shall have the right to appear in the pending adoption proceeding and show cause why such parent's rights to the child who is the subject of the proceeding should not be terminated by that adoption. Notice shall be deemed to have been received on the earliest date:

(A) Personal service is perfected;

(B) Of delivery shown on the return receipt of certified mail or registered mail or proof of delivery by statutory overnight delivery; or

(C) Of the last publication.

(2) No prior order of court shall be required to publish notice pursuant to this Code section; provided, however, that before publication may be relied upon as a means of service, it shall be averred that, after diligent efforts, service could not be perfected personally, by certified mail, by registered mail, or by statutory overnight delivery."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 19-8-11, relating to petitioning superior court to terminate rights of one parent or guardian of child and service of process, as follows:

"(b)(1) Whenever a petition to terminate parental rights is filed pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the parent whose rights the petitioner is seeking to terminate shall be personally served with a conformed copy of the petition to terminate parental rights and a copy of the court's order setting forth the date upon which such petition shall be considered or, if personal service cannot be perfected, ~~notwithstanding subsection (a) of Code Section 9-10-12 which authorizes the use of certified mail,~~ by certified mail or registered mail, return receipt requested, or statutory overnight delivery, one-day service not required, at his or her last known address. If service cannot be made by these methods, such parent shall be given notice by publication once a week for three weeks in the official organ of the county where such petition has been filed and of the county of his or her last known address. In the interest of time, publication may be initiated simultaneously with efforts to perfect service personally, by certified mail or registered mail, or by statutory overnight delivery. The court shall continue to have the inherent authority to determine the sufficiency of service. A parent who receives notification pursuant to this paragraph shall not be a party to the adoption and shall have no obligation to file an answer, but shall have the right to appear in the pending termination of parental rights proceeding and show cause why such parent's rights to the child who is the subject of the proceeding should not be terminated. Notice shall be deemed to have been received on the earliest date:

(A) Personal service is perfected;

(B) Of delivery shown on the return receipt of certified mail or registered mail or proof of delivery by statutory overnight delivery; or

(C) Of the last publication.

(2) No prior order of court shall be required to publish notice pursuant to this Code

section; provided, however, that before publication may be relied upon as a means of service, it shall be averred that, after diligent efforts, service could not be perfected personally, by certified mail, by registered mail, or by statutory overnight delivery."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (c), (d), and (i) of Code Section 19-8-12, relating to notice to biological father, procedure when identity or location of father not known, effect of order terminating biological father's rights, legitimation of child by father, and rights of mother, as follows:

"(c)(1) Notification provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section shall be given to a biological father who is not a legal father by the following methods:

(A) ~~Notwithstanding subsection (a) of Code Section 9-10-12 which authorizes the use of certified mail~~, Certified mail or registered mail, return receipt requested, or statutory overnight delivery, one-day service not required, at his last known address, which notice shall be deemed received upon the date of delivery shown on the return or delivery receipt;

(B) Personal service, which notice shall be deemed received when personal service is perfected; or

(C) Publication once a week for three weeks in the official organ of the county where the adoption petition has been filed and of the county of his last known address, which notice shall be deemed received upon the date of the last publication.

(2) If feasible, the methods specified in subparagraph (A) or (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be used before publication; provided, however, that in the interest of time, publication may be initiated simultaneously with efforts to perfect service personally, by certified mail or registered mail, or by statutory overnight delivery.

(3) No prior order of court shall be required to publish notice pursuant to this Code section; provided, however, that before publication may be relied upon as a means of service, it shall be averred that, after diligent efforts, service could not be perfected personally, by certified mail or registered mail, or by statutory overnight delivery.

(d)(1) When the rights of a parent or guardian of a child have been surrendered or terminated in accordance with ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-4 or the child does not have a living parent or guardian, the department, child-placing agency, or out-of-state licensed agency may file, under the authority of this paragraph, a petition to terminate a biological father's rights to the child with the superior court of the county of the child's domicile, of the county where the child was born, of the county in which is located the principal office of the child-placing agency having legal custody of the child, or of the county in which is located the office of the department having legal custody of the child.

(2) When the rights of a parent or guardian of a child have been surrendered in accordance with ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7, the child does not have a living parent or guardian, a consent to adopt has been executed pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-6, or the petitioner is seeking to involuntarily terminate parental rights pursuant to Code Section 19-8-10, the

petitioner shall file, under the authority of this paragraph, with the superior court of the county of the child's domicile or of the county where the child was born a motion, if a petition for adoption of the child has previously been filed with the court, or a petition to terminate a biological father's rights to the child.

(3) When a petition or motion is filed pursuant to paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection, the court shall, within 30 days from the date of receipt of the notice required by subsection (b) of this Code section or, when no notice is required to be given, from the date of such filing, conduct a hearing in chambers to determine the facts in the matter.

(4) Unless the identity of a biological father is known to the petitioner, department, child-placing agency, or out-of-state licensed agency or to the attorney for such individual or entity such that he is entitled to notice of the proceedings as provided in this Code section, when the petitioner provides a certificate from the putative father registry stating that there is no registrant identified on the putative father registry acknowledging paternity of the child or indicating possible paternity of the child for a period beginning no later than two years immediately prior to the child's date of birth, then it shall be rebuttably presumed that an unnamed biological father who is not a legal father is not entitled to notice of the proceedings. Absent evidence rebutting the presumption, then no further inquiry or notice shall be required by the court and the court shall enter an order terminating the rights of such unnamed biological father to the child."

"(i) If the child is legitimated by his or her biological father and in the adoption proceeding the petition for adoption is revoked with prejudice or denied by the court, then a SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION executed by a legal mother pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, or 19-8-7 shall be dissolved by operation of law and her parental rights shall be restored to her. The fact that a legal mother executed a SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION, now dissolved, shall not be admissible as evidence against a legal mother in any proceeding against her."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a), (g), and (h) of Code Section 19-8-13, relating to petition, filing and contents, financial disclosures, attorney's affidavit, and redaction of certain information unnecessary, and by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(a) The petition for adoption, duly verified, together with one conformed copy thereof, shall be filed with the clerk of the superior court having jurisdiction and shall conform to the following guidelines:

(1) The petition for adoption shall set forth:

(A) The name, age, date and place of birth, marital status, and place of residence of each petitioner;

(B) The name by which the child is to be known should the adoption ultimately be completed;

(C) The sex, date and place of birth, and citizenship or immigration status of the

child, and if the child is neither a United States citizen nor a lawful permanent resident of the United States on the date such petition is filed, the petitioner shall explain how such child will be able to obtain lawful permanent resident status;

(D) The date and circumstances of the placement of the child with each petitioner;

(E) Whether the child is possessed of any property and, if so, a full and complete description thereof;

(F) Whether the child has one or both parents or his or her biological father who is not a legal father living;

(G) Whether the child has a guardian and, if so, the name of the guardian and the name of the court that appointed such guardian;

(H) Whether the child has a legal custodian and, if so, the name of the legal custodian and the name of the court that appointed such custodian; and

(I) Whether each petitioner or his or her attorney is aware of any other adoption proceeding pending to date, in this or any other state or country, regarding the child who is the subject of the proceeding that is not fully disclosed in such petition and whether each petitioner or his or her attorney is aware of any individual who has or claims to have physical custody of or visitation rights with the child who is the subject of the proceeding whose name and address and whose custody or visitation rights are not fully disclosed in such petition. Each petitioner and his or her attorney shall have a continuing duty to inform the court of any proceeding in this or any other state or country that could affect the adoption proceeding or the legal custody of or visitation with the child who is the subject of the proceeding;

(2) When the adoption is pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-4, the following shall be provided or attached to the petition for adoption or its absence explained when the petition for adoption is filed:

(A) If the adoption is pursuant to:

(i) Paragraph (1) of such ~~Code section~~ subsection, a copy of the written voluntary surrender of rights of each parent or guardian specified in subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-4 and a copy of the written acknowledgment of surrender of rights specified in subsection (f) of Code Section 19-8-4; or

(ii) Paragraph (2) of such ~~Code section~~ subsection, a certified copy of the order entered by a court of competent jurisdiction terminating parental rights of the parent and committing the child to the department, child-placing agency, or out-of-state licensed agency;

(B) A copy of the affidavits specified in subsections (g) and (h) of Code Section 19-8-4;

(C) An original affidavit from the department or a child-placing agency stating that all of the requirements of Code Sections 19-8-4 and 19-8-12 have been complied with and that the child is legally available for adoption or, in the case of a placement by an out-of-state licensed agency, that the comparable provisions dealing with the termination of parental rights of the parents and of a biological father who is not a legal father of the child have been complied with under the laws of the state or country in which the out-of-state licensed agency is licensed and that the child is legally

available for adoption thereunder;

(D) The original written consent of the department, child-placing agency, or out-of-state licensed agency to the adoption;

(E) Uncertified copies of appropriate certificates or forms verifying the allegations contained in such petition as to guardianship of the child, including, but not limited to, the marriage of each petitioner, the death of each parent in lieu of a surrender of his or her parental rights, and compliance with Chapter 4 of Title 39, relating to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children; and

(F) A completed form containing background information regarding the child, as required by the adoption unit of the department, or an equivalent medical and social history background form;

(3) When the adoption is pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-5, the following shall be provided or attached to the petition for adoption or its absence explained when the petition for adoption is filed:

(A) The original written voluntary surrender of rights of each parent, biological father who is not a legal father, or guardian specified in subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-5;

(B) The original written acknowledgment of surrender of rights specified in subsection (f) of Code Section 19-8-5;

(C) The original affidavits specified in subsections (g) and (h) of Code Section 19-8-5;

(D) A copy of the appropriate form verifying the allegation of compliance with Code Section 19-8-12 and the original certification evidencing the search of the putative father registry;

(E) The original accounting required by subsection (c) of this Code section;

(F) Uncertified copies of appropriate certificates or forms verifying the allegations contained in such petition as to guardianship of the child, including, but not limited to, the marriage of each petitioner, the death of each parent in lieu of a surrender of his or her parental rights, and compliance with Chapter 4 of Title 39, relating to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children;

(G) A completed form containing background information regarding the child, as required by the adoption unit of the department, or an equivalent medical and social history background form; and

(H) A copy of the home study report;

(4) When the adoption is pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-6, the following shall be provided or attached to the petition for adoption or its absence explained when the petition for adoption is filed:

(A) The original written voluntary surrender of rights of each parent, biological father who is not a legal father, or guardian specified in subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-6;

(B) The original written acknowledgment of surrender of rights specified in subsection (f) of Code Section 19-8-6;

(C) The original affidavits specified in subsections (g) and (h) of Code Section 19-8-

6;

(D) The original consent specified in subsection (j) of Code Section 19-8-6;

(E) A copy of the appropriate form verifying the allegation of compliance with Code Section 19-8-12 and the original certification evidencing the search of the putative father registry;

(F) Uncertified copies of appropriate certificates or forms verifying the allegations contained in such petition as to guardianship of the child, including, but not limited to, the birth of the child, the marriage of each petitioner, and the death of each parent in lieu of a surrender of his or her parental rights; and

(G) A completed form containing background information regarding the child, as required by the adoption unit of the department, or an equivalent medical and social history background form;

(5) When the adoption is pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-7, the following shall be provided or attached to the petition for adoption or its absence explained when the petition for adoption is filed:

(A) The original written voluntary surrender of rights of each parent or biological father who is not a legal father specified in subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-7;

(B) The original written acknowledgment of surrender of rights specified in subsection (f) of Code Section 19-8-7;

(C) The original affidavits specified in subsections (g) and (h) of Code Section 19-8-7;

(D) A copy of the appropriate form verifying the allegation of compliance with Code Section 19-8-12 and the original certification evidencing the search of the putative father registry;

(E) Uncertified copies of appropriate certificates or forms verifying allegations contained in the petition as to guardianship or custody of the child and the birth of the child, including, but not limited to, the marriage of each petitioner, the death of each parent in lieu of a surrender of his or her parental rights, and compliance with Chapter 4 of Title 39, relating to the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children; and

(F) A completed form containing background information regarding the child, as required by the adoption unit of the department, or an equivalent medical and social history background form;

(6)(A) When the adoption is pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-8, the following shall be provided or attached to the petition for adoption when the petition for adoption is filed:

(i) A copy of the child's passport page showing an immediate relative immigrant visa or Hague Convention immigrant visa obtained to grant the child entry into the United States as a result of a full and final adoption in the foreign country; and

(ii) A copy along with an English translation of the child's birth certificate or registration.

(B) Because the issuance of an immediate relative immigrant visa or Hague Convention immigrant visa by the United States Department of State in the child's passport is prima-facie evidence that all parental rights have been terminated and that

the child is legally available for adoption, it shall not be necessary to file any documents related to the surrender or termination of the parental rights of the child's parents or comply with Code Section 19-8-12 regarding the rights of a biological father who is not a legal father when the petition for adoption is filed pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-8.

(C) When the adoption is pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 19-8-8, the following shall be provided or attached to the petition for adoption when the petition for adoption is filed:

(i) A copy along with an English translation of the final decree or order of guardianship from the foreign country;

(ii) Copies of all postplacement reports, if required by the foreign country that entered the guardianship decree or order;

(iii) Authorization to proceed with adoption if specifically required by the decree or order entered by the court or administrative agency in the foreign country;

(iv) A copy of the child's passport page showing an immediate relative immigrant visa or Hague Convention immigrant visa obtained to grant the child entry into the United States in order to finalize his or her adoption; and

(v) A copy along with an English translation of the child's birth certificate or registration;

(7) When Code Section 19-8-10 is applicable, parental rights need not be surrendered or terminated prior to the filing of the petition for adoption; but the petitioner shall, in lieu of obtaining and attaching those otherwise required surrenders of rights, acknowledgments, and affidavits, allege facts in the petition for adoption demonstrating the applicability of subsection (a) or (b), or both, of Code Section 19-8-10 and shall also allege compliance with subsection (c) of Code Section 19-8-10; ~~and~~

(8) When Code Section 19-8-11 is applicable, the petitioner shall allege facts in the petition demonstrating the applicability of paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-11 and shall also allege compliance with subsection (b) of Code Section 19-8-11; and

~~(8)~~(9) If the petition for adoption is filed in a county other than that of the petitioner's residence, the reason therefor shall be set forth in such petition."

"(g) Notwithstanding Code Sections 19-8-5 and 19-8-7 and this Code section which require obtaining and attaching a written voluntary surrender of rights and acknowledgment thereof and affidavits of a legal mother and a representative of the petitioner or of the individual signing such surrender, when the adoption is sought under ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-5 or 19-8-7 following the termination of parental rights and the placement of the child by the juvenile court pursuant to Code Section 15-11-321 or pursuant to the corresponding provisions of the laws of another state, obtaining and attaching to the petition for adoption a certified copy of the order terminating parental rights of the parent shall take the place of obtaining and attaching those otherwise required surrenders of rights, acknowledgments, and affidavits.

(h)(1) A petition for adoption regarding a child who has a living biological father who is not a legal father and who has not surrendered his rights to the child shall include a

certificate from the putative father registry disclosing the name, address, and social security number of any registrant acknowledging paternity of the child pursuant to subparagraph (d)(2)(A) of Code Section 19-11-9 or indicating the possibility of paternity of such child pursuant to subparagraph (d)(2)(B) of Code Section 19-11-9 for a period beginning no later than two years immediately prior to the child's date of birth. Such certificate shall indicate the results of a search of the registry on or after the earliest of the following:

(A) The date of a legal mother's surrender of parental rights;

(B) The date of entry of the court order terminating a legal mother's parental rights; ~~or~~

(C) The date of a legal mother's consent to adoption pursuant to Code Section 19-8-6; or

(D) The date of filing of the petition for adoption, in which case the certificate may be filed as an amendment to the petition for adoption.

(2) Such certificate shall include a statement that the registry is current as of the earliest date listed in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, or as of a specified date that is later than the earliest such date.

(3) When a legal mother of the child who is the subject of the proceeding identifies her husband as the biological father of the child and he has executed a surrender of his parental rights in favor of the petitioner, the petitioner shall obtain a certificate from the putative father registry and submit it with the petition for adoption to confirm that no male other than the legal mother's husband has expressed an interest in the child or to identify a registrant other than the legal mother's husband who shall be notified pursuant to Code Section 19-8-12."

"(j) A petition for the adoption of a child is an in rem proceeding and it shall be entitled 'In the interest of [insert name at birth of the child to be adopted], a child.', except upon appeal, in which event the anonymity of a child shall be preserved by use of appropriate initials. The petition shall be in writing."

**SECTION 9.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 19-8-14, relating to timing of adoption hearing, record retention, and clerk's duties, as follows:

"(d) In those cases where the court is required to appoint an agent pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-16 to conduct an investigation and make a written report and recommendation to the court, it shall be the petitioner's responsibility to request that the court appoint the agent if the court does not do so sua sponte. Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (c) of this Code section, it shall be the petitioner's responsibility to request that the court hear the petition for adoption on a date that allows sufficient time for fulfillment of the notice requirements of Code Sections 19-8-10 and 19-8-12 and for receipt of the agent's written report and recommendation prior to the hearing, when applicable."

**SECTION 10.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 19-8-16, relating to investigation by court-appointed agent and criminal history records check for adoption petitioners, as follows:

"19-8-16.

(a) Prior to the date set by the court for a hearing on the petition for adoption, it shall be the duty of the agent appointed by the court to verify the allegations in the petition for adoption, to make a complete and thorough investigation of the entire matter, including any specific issue the court requests to be investigated, and to report its findings and recommendations in writing to the court where the petition for adoption was filed. The petitioner may assist the court by providing names of qualified individuals or agencies to serve as the court's agent. The agent may be the department, a child-placing agency, an evaluator, or an individual who the court determines is qualified to conduct the required investigation. The agent appointed by the court shall also provide the petitioner or his or her attorney with a copy of its report. If for any reason the agent appointed by the court finds itself unable to make or arrange for the proper investigation and report, it shall be the duty of the agent to notify the court immediately, or at least within 20 days after receipt of the request for investigation service, that it is unable to make the report and investigation, so that the court may take such other steps as in its discretion are necessary to have the investigation and report prepared. The investigation required by this Code section shall be in addition to the requirement of a home study in the case of a petition for adoption filed pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-5.

(b) If the petition for adoption has been filed pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-6 or 19-8-7, the court shall be authorized but shall not be required to appoint an agent to make an investigation pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section; provided, however, that a home study shall not be required.

(c)(1) If the petition for adoption has been filed pursuant to Code Section 19-8-8, the appointment of an agent to make an investigation and render a report pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall not be required.

(2) If the petition for adoption has been filed pursuant to Code Section 19-8-4 and the department or child-placing agency has consented to the adoption, the appointment of an agent to make an investigation and render a report pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall not be required.

(d) The court shall require the petitioner to submit to a criminal history records check except when the petitioner is brought pursuant to either Code Section 19-8-8 or Code Section 19-8-21. The petitioner shall submit his or her fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center with the appropriate fee. The center shall promptly transmit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and shall obtain an appropriate report. The Georgia Crime Information Center shall also promptly conduct a search of its records and any records to which it has access. The center shall notify the court in writing of the presence or absence of any criminal record from the state fingerprint records check. In those cases when the petitioner has submitted a fingerprint based criminal history report that includes the results of a records search of

both the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to the department, child-placing agency, or evaluator as part of the home study and such results are dated within 12 months of filing of the petition for adoption and are included in the home study report filed with or otherwise made available to the court, such results shall satisfy the requirements of this subsection. Because the court shall not be authorized to share the results of the fingerprint records check with the agent appointed by the court pursuant to subsection (a) or (e) of this Code section, the court shall determine the acceptability of the petitioner's criminal history, inform the petitioner or his or her attorney at least five days prior to the final hearing on the petition for adoption if the court will require additional evidence with respect to the petitioner's criminal history or if the court is inclined to deny such petition because of such criminal history, and afford the petitioner or his or her attorney an opportunity to present evidence as to why the petitioner's criminal history should not be grounds for denial of such petition.

(e) The court shall require the petitioner to reimburse the agent appointed by the court, including the department, for the full cost of conducting the investigation and preparing its report. Such cost shall not exceed $250.00 unless specifically authorized by the court, provided that the court shall furnish the petitioner or his or her attorney with written notice of the name of the agent that the court intends to appoint and the amount of any increased costs, together with a request to agree to pay such increased costs. If the petitioner does not agree to pay the increased costs, then the petitioner shall have an opportunity to present to the court information regarding other persons that are qualified to conduct the investigation and render the report to the court and the cost of their services, and the court shall appoint the person that is qualified to conduct the investigation and render the report to the court at the lowest cost to the petitioner."

**SECTION 11.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 19-8-18, relating to hearing, district attorney to be directed to review inducement violations, decree of adoption, factors considered in determining best interests of child, and disposition of child on denial of petition, as follows:

"(a)(1) Upon the date appointed by the court for a hearing of the petition for adoption or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached for a hearing, the court shall proceed to a full hearing on such petition and the examination of the parties at interest in chambers, under oath, with the right of continuing the hearing and examinations from time to time as the nature of the case may require. The court at such times shall give consideration to the investigation report to the court provided for in Code Section 19-8-16 and the recommendations contained in such report. <u>There shall be a presumption that a petitioner who is a nonresident of Georgia should be granted the opportunity to appear via electronic means in lieu of physical presence before the court if his or her petition is uncontested, especially if appearing in person would cause hardship to the petitioner. In all other cases, the</u> ~~The~~ court may in its discretion allow the petitioner or any witness to appear via electronic means in lieu of requiring his or her physical presence before the court.

(2) The court shall examine the petition for adoption and the affidavit specified in subsection (g) of Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7, as appropriate, to determine whether Code Section 19-8-12 is applicable. If the court determines that Code Section 19-8-12 is applicable to the petition for adoption, it shall:

(A) Determine that an appropriate order has previously been entered;

(B) Enter an order consistent with Code Section 19-8-12; or

(C) Continue the hearing until Code Section 19-8-12 is complied with.

(3) If the adoption petition is filed pursuant to ~~subsection (a) of~~ Code Section 19-8-5, the court shall examine the financial disclosures required under subsections (c) and (d) of Code Section 19-8-13 and make such further examination of each petitioner and his or her attorney as the court deems appropriate in order to make a determination as to whether there is cause to believe that Code Section 19-8-24 has been violated with regard to the inducement, as such term is defined in Code Section 19-8-24, of the placement of the child for adoption. Should the court determine that further inquiry is in order, the court shall direct the district attorney for the county to review the matter further and to take such appropriate action as the district attorney in his or her discretion deems appropriate.

(b)(1) If the petition for adoption was filed pursuant to Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7, the court shall enter a decree of adoption naming the child as prayed for in such petition; terminating all of the rights of each living parent, guardian, and legal custodian of the child, other than the spouse of the petitioner in the case of a stepparent adoption pursuant to Code Section 19-8-6; granting the permanent custody of the child to each petitioner; and declaring the child to be the adopted child of each petitioner if the court is satisfied that:

(A) Each living parent or guardian of the child has surrendered or had terminated all of his or her rights to the child in the manner provided by law or that each petitioner has complied with the notice requirements of subsection (c) of Code Section 19-8-10 and satisfied his or her burden of proof under Code Section 19-8-10 or that the spouse has consented to the petitioner's adoption of the child as required by Code Section 19-8-6;

(B) Each petitioner is capable of assuming responsibility for the care, supervision, training, and education of the child;

(C) The child is suitable for adoption in a private family home; and

(D) The adoption requested is in the best interests of the child.

(2) When Code Section 19-8-10 has been relied upon by any petitioner for the termination of rights of a living parent, the court shall include in the decree of adoption appropriate findings of fact and conclusions of law relating to the termination of rights of such living parent and the court's determination that the adoption is in the child's best interests.

(3) When the child was born in a country other than the United States, the court shall examine the evidence submitted ~~and~~ in order to determine ~~that~~ whether sufficient evidence has been proffered to show that the child ~~will be able to obtain~~ has a viable path to lawful permanent resident status, if not already obtained~~, before the court shall~~

~~have authority to determine~~. The court shall consider the evidence when making a determination if it is in the best interests of the child to grant the petition for adoption.

(4) If there is an existing visitation order pursuant to Code Section 19-7-3 in favor of a family member, the court shall have the authority to continue or discontinue such visitation rights in the adoption order as it deems is in the best interests of the child."

**SECTION 12.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (d), (e), and (g) of Code Section 19-8-24, relating to advertising restrictions and requirements, "inducements" defined, unlawful inducements, penalties, exemption for personal communications, and civil actions, as follows:

"(d)(1) It shall be unlawful for an individual to knowingly accept expenses as set forth in subparagraph (c)(1)(C) or (c)(1)(D) of this Code section for the adoption of her child or unborn child if she knows or should have known that she is not pregnant or is not a legal mother.

(2) It shall be unlawful for an individual to knowingly accept expenses as set forth in subparagraph (c)(1)(C) or (c)(1)(D) of this Code section from an adoption agency or an attorney without disclosing that he or she is receiving such expenses from another adoption agency or attorney in an effort to allow for the adoption of the same child or unborn child.

(3) It shall be unlawful for an individual to knowingly make false representations in order to obtain expenses as set forth in subparagraph (c)(1)(C) or (c)(1)(D) of this Code section.

(4) It shall be unlawful for an individual to make false representations as to the existence of a pregnancy or the intention to place a child for adoption when such individual knows or should have known that the person purported to be pregnant is not pregnant or that the person purported to be offering the child for adoption has no intention of placing the child for adoption, and such representations cause another to expend financial resources or take other specific steps, including, but not limited to, travel or retaining the services of an attorney, agency or social worker, toward adoption of a child in reasonable reliance on such representations.

(e) Any person who violates this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed $10,000.00, imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years, or both and shall further be subject to a court order requiring such person to make restitution to a victim harmed by such person's violation."

"(g)(1) Any child-placing agency or individual who is seeking to adopt or seeking to place a child for adoption who is damaged by a violation of this Code section may file a civil action to recover damages, treble damages, reasonable attorney's fees, and expenses of litigation.

(2) Any individual who is seeking to adopt or seeking to place a child for adoption who is damaged by a violation of this Code section may file a civil action in tort, provided that such individual would have an existing tort claim under Georgia law."

**SECTION 13.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a) through (g) of Code Section 19-8-26, relating to forms, as follows:

"(a) The surrender of rights by a parent or guardian pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-4 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'SURRENDER OF RIGHTS
FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION

NOTICE TO PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

This is an important legal document and by signing it, you are surrendering all of your rights to the child identified in this document, so as to place the child for adoption. Understand that you are signing this document under oath and that if you knowingly and willfully make a false statement in this document you will be guilty of the crime of false swearing. As explained below in paragraph 5, you have the right to revoke this surrender within four days from the date you sign it.

_____

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, _____ (name of parent or guardian) who, after having been sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1.

I, the undersigned, being mindful that my (male) (female) [circle one] child, born _____ (name of child) on _____ (birthdate of child) at ____:____ (A.M.) (P.M.) [circle one], should receive the benefits and advantages of a good home, to the end that (she) (he) [circle one] may be fitted for the requirements of life, consent to this surrender of my parental rights.

2.

I, the undersigned, _____ (relationship to child) of the aforesaid child, do hereby surrender my rights to the child to _____ (name of child-placing agency, out-of-state licensed agency, or Department of Human Services, as applicable) and promise not to interfere in the management of the child in any respect whatever; and, in consideration of the benefits guaranteed by _____ (name of child-placing agency, out-of-state licensed agency, or Department of Human Services, as applicable) in providing for the child, I do relinquish all rights to the child named in this document, it being my

wish, intent, and purpose to relinquish absolutely all parental control over the child. Furthermore, I hereby agree that the _____ (name of child-placing agency, out-of-state licensed agency, or Department of Human Services, as applicable) may seek for the child a legal adoption by such individual or individuals as may be chosen by the _____ (name of child-placing agency, out-of-state licensed agency, or Department of Human Services, as applicable) or its authorized agents, without further notice to me. I do, furthermore, expressly waive any other notice or service in any of the legal proceedings for the adoption of the child.

3.

I understand that under Georgia law an agent appointed by the court is required to conduct an investigation and render a report to the court in connection with the legal proceeding for the legal adoption of the child, and I hereby agree to cooperate fully with such agent in the conduct of its investigation.

4.

I understand that I will receive a copy of this document after the witness and I have signed it and it has been notarized.

5.

I understand that under Georgia law I have the unconditional right to a four-day revocation period. I understand I may only revoke this surrender by giving written notice, delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery, to _____ (name and address of child-placing agency, out-of-state licensed agency, or Department of Human Services, as applicable) within four days from the date of signing this document. I understand that certified mail cannot be used for mail delivery of the notice to revoke this surrender. I understand that the four days will be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date I sign this document; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which this surrender may be revoked will be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. I understand that, if I deliver the notice to revoke this surrender in person, it must be delivered to _____ (name and address) not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day; provided, however, that if I mail the notice by registered mail or have it delivered by statutory overnight delivery, I must address it to the address shown in the surrender document and submit it to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. I understand that I CANNOT revoke this surrender after that time.

6.

I understand that if I am not a resident of this state that I am agreeing to be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Georgia for any action filed in connection with the adoption of the child. I agree to be bound by a decree of adoption rendered as a result of this surrender of my parental rights.

7.

Furthermore, I hereby certify that I have not been subjected to any duress or undue pressure in the execution of this document and I am signing it freely and voluntarily.

This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
(Parent or guardian)

_____
Adult witness

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this _____
day of _____, ____.

_____
Notary Public (SEAL)
My commission expires: _____.'

(b) The notice to revoke a surrender of rights pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 19-8-9 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'NOTICE TO REVOKE SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/
FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION

I, the undersigned, executed a (SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION) (PRE-BIRTH SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION) [circle one] as to the child identified in the surrender of rights document on _____ (date). My relationship to the (child) (unborn child) [circle one] is that I am the (mother) (father) (alleged biological father) (guardian) [circle one].

*(Complete this paragraph if the child has been born.)* This notice to revoke my surrender of rights applies to the (female) (male) [circle one] child born _____ (name of child) on _____ (birthdate of child).

I now wish to exercise my right to revoke my surrender of rights.

I understand that for my revocation of surrender to be effective I must:

A. Deliver the original of this document in person to the address designated in the surrender of rights document no later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern

daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day of the revocation period specified in the surrender of rights document;

**OR**

B. Mail the original of this document by registered mail or by statutory overnight delivery to the address designated in the surrender of rights document no later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day of the revocation period specified in the surrender of rights document.

This _____day of _____,____.

_____
(Parent, guardian, or alleged biological father)

_____
(Printed name)

_____
Adult witness'

(c) The surrender of rights by a parent or guardian pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-5 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'SURRENDER OF RIGHTS
FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION

NOTICE TO PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

This is an important legal document and by signing it, you are surrendering all of your rights to the child identified in this document, so as to place the child for adoption. Understand that you are signing this document under oath and that if you knowingly and willfully make a false statement in this document you will be guilty of the crime of false swearing. As explained below in paragraph 8, you have the right to revoke this surrender within four days from the date you sign it.

_____

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, _____ (name of parent or guardian) who, after having been sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1.

I, the undersigned, being mindful that my (male) (female) [circle one] child, born _____ (name of child) on _____ (birthdate of child) at ____:____ (A.M.) (P.M.) [circle one], should receive the benefits and advantages of a good home, to the end that (she) (he) [circle one] may be fitted for the requirements of life, consent to this surrender of my parental rights.

2.

I, the undersigned, _____ (relationship to child) of the aforesaid child, do hereby surrender my rights to the child to _____ (name, surname not required, of each individual to whom surrender is made), PROVIDED that each such individual is named as petitioner in a petition for adoption of the child filed in accordance with Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated within 60 days from the date that I sign this document. Furthermore, I promise not to interfere in the management of the child in any respect whatever; and, in consideration of the benefits guaranteed by _____ (name, surname not required, of each individual to whom surrender is made) in providing for the child, I do relinquish all rights to the child named in this document, it being my wish, intent, and purpose to relinquish absolutely all parental control over the child.

3.

It is also my wish, intent, and purpose that if each such individual identified in paragraph 2 is not named as petitioner in a petition for adoption within the 60 day period, other than for justifiable good cause, or, if said petition for adoption is filed within 60 days but the adoption proceeding is dismissed with prejudice or otherwise concluded without an order declaring the child to be the adopted child of each such individual, then I do hereby surrender my rights to the child as follows:

Indicate your choice by signing ONE of the following statements (you may choose statement A, B, or C):

A. _____ (Signature) I wish the child returned to me, as provided by subsection (j) of Code Section 19-8-5, and I expressly acknowledge that this provision applies only to the limited circumstance that the child is not adopted by the individual or individuals designated in this document and further that this provision does not impair the validity, absolute finality, or totality of this surrender under any circumstance other than the failure of the designated individual or individuals to adopt the child and that no other provision of this surrender impairs the validity, absolute finality, or totality of this surrender once the four-day revocation period has elapsed;

**OR**

B. _____ (Signature) I surrender the child to _____ (name of child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency), as provided in subsection (j) of Code Section 19-8-5, for placement for adoption. I understand that if the child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency declines to accept the child for placement for adoption, this surrender will be in favor of the Department of Human Services for placement for adoption and _____ (name of child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency) or the Department of Human Services may petition the superior court for custody of the child in accordance with the terms of this surrender;

**OR**

C. _____ (Signature) I surrender the child to the Department of Human Services, as provided by subsection (j) of Code Section 19-8-5, for placement for adoption; and the Department of Human Services may petition the superior court for custody of the child in accordance with the terms of this surrender.

4.

I hereby agree that the child is to be adopted by each individual named in paragraph 2 or by any other individual as may be chosen by _____ (name of child-placing agency or out-of-state licensed agency) or the Department of Human Services and I do expressly waive any other notice or service in any of the legal proceedings for the adoption of the child.

5.

I understand that under Georgia law an evaluator is required to conduct and provide to the court a home study and make recommendations to the court regarding the qualification of each individual named in paragraph 2 to adopt the child concerning the circumstances of placement of the child for adoption.

6.

I understand that under Georgia law an agent appointed by the court is required to conduct an investigation and render a report to the court in connection with the legal proceeding for the legal adoption of the child, and I hereby agree to cooperate fully with such agent in the conduct of its investigation.

7.

I understand that I will receive a copy of this document after the witness and I have

signed it and it has been notarized.

8.

I understand that under Georgia law I have the unconditional right to a four-day revocation period. I understand I may only revoke this surrender by giving written notice, delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery, to _____ (name and address of each individual to whom surrender is made or his or her agent) within four days from the date of signing this document. I understand that certified mail cannot be used for mail delivery of the notice to revoke this surrender. I understand that the four days will be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date I sign this document; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which this surrender may be revoked will be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. I understand that, if I deliver the notice to revoke this surrender in person, it must be delivered to _____ (name and address) not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day; provided, however, that if I mail the notice by registered mail or have it delivered by statutory overnight delivery, I must address it to the address shown in the surrender document and submit it to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. I understand that I CANNOT revoke this surrender after that time.

9.

I understand that if I am not a resident of this state that I am agreeing to be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Georgia for any action filed in connection with the adoption of the child. I agree to be bound by a decree of adoption rendered as a result of this surrender of my parental rights.

10.

Furthermore, I hereby certify that I have not been subjected to any duress or undue pressure in the execution of this document and I am signing it freely and voluntarily.

This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____

(Parent or guardian)

_____

Adult witness

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this _____

day of _____, ____.

_____

Notary Public (SEAL)

My commission expires: _____.'

(d) The surrender of rights by a biological father who is not a legal father of the child pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'SURRENDER OF RIGHTS
FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION

NOTICE TO ALLEGED BIOLOGICAL FATHER:

This is an important legal document and by signing it you are surrendering all of your rights to the child identified in this document. Understand that you are signing this document under oath and that if you knowingly and willfully make a false statement in this document you will be guilty of the crime of false swearing. As explained below in paragraph 4, you have the right to revoke this surrender within four days from the date you sign it.

_____

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, _____ (name of alleged biological father) who, after having been sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1.

I, the undersigned, alleged biological father of a (male) (female) [circle one] child, born _____ (name of child) to _____ (name of legal mother) on _____ (birthdate of child) at ____:____ (A.M.) (P.M.) [circle one], being mindful that the child should receive the benefits and advantages of a good home, to the end that (she) (he) [circle one] may be fitted for the requirements of life, consent to this surrender of my rights. I, the undersigned, do hereby surrender my rights to the child. I promise not to interfere in the management of the child in any respect whatever; and, in consideration of the benefits provided to the child through adoption, I do relinquish all rights to the child named in this document, it being my wish, intent, and purpose to relinquish absolutely all control over the child.

2.

I hereby agree that the child is to be adopted and I do expressly waive any other notice or service in any of the legal proceedings for the adoption of the child. I understand that under Georgia law an agent appointed by the court is required to

conduct an investigation and render a report to the court in connection with the legal proceeding for the legal adoption of the child, and I hereby agree to cooperate fully with such agent in the conduct of its investigation.

3.

I understand that I will receive a copy of this document after the witness and I have signed it and it has been notarized.

4.

I understand that under Georgia law I have the unconditional right to a four-day revocation period. I understand I may only revoke this surrender by giving written notice, delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery, to _____ (name and address of child-placing agency representative, out-of-state licensed agency representative, Department of Human Services representative, individual to whom surrender is made or his or her agent, or petitioner's representative, as applicable) within four days from the date of signing this document. I understand that certified mail cannot be used for mail delivery of the notice to revoke this surrender. I understand that the four days will be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date I sign this document; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which this surrender may be revoked will be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. I understand that, if I deliver the notice to revoke this surrender in person, it must be delivered to _____ (name and address) not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day; provided, however, that if I mail the notice by registered mail or have it delivered by statutory overnight delivery, I must address it to the address shown in the surrender document and submit it to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. I understand that I CANNOT revoke this surrender after that time.

5.

I understand that if I am not a resident of this state that I am agreeing to be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Georgia for any action filed in connection with the adoption of the child. I agree to be bound by a decree of adoption rendered as a result of this surrender of my parental rights.

6.

Furthermore, I hereby certify that I have not been subjected to any duress or undue pressure in the execution of this document and I am signing it freely and voluntarily.

This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
(Alleged biological father)

_____
Adult witness

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this _____
day of _____, ____.

_____
Notary public (SEAL)
My commission expires: _____.'

(e) The surrender of rights by a parent or guardian pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-6 or 19-8-7 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'SURRENDER OF RIGHTS
FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION

NOTICE TO PARENT OR GUARDIAN:

This is an important legal document and by signing it, you are surrendering all of your rights to the child identified in this document, so as to place the child for adoption. Understand that you are signing this document under oath and that if you knowingly and willfully make a false statement in this document you will be guilty of the crime of false swearing. As explained below in paragraph 6, you have the right to revoke this surrender within four days from the date you sign it.

_____

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, _____ (name of parent or guardian) who, after having been sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1.

I, the undersigned, being mindful that my (male) (female) [circle one] child, born _____ (name of child) on _____ (birthdate of child) at ____:____ (A.M.) (P.M.) [circle one], should receive the benefits and advantages of a good home, to the end that (she) (he) [circle one] may be fitted for the requirements of life, consent to this surrender of my parental rights.

2.

I, the undersigned, _____ (relationship to child) of the aforesaid child, do hereby surrender my rights to the child to _____ (name of each individual to whom surrender is made) and promise not to interfere in the management of the child in any respect whatever; and, in consideration of the benefits guaranteed by _____ (name of each individual to whom surrender is made) in providing for the child, I do relinquish all rights to the child named in this document, it being my wish, intent, and purpose to relinquish absolutely all parental control over the child.

3.

I hereby agree that _____ (name of each individual to whom surrender is made) may initiate legal proceedings for the legal adoption of the child without further notice to me. I do, furthermore, expressly waive any other notice or service in any of the legal proceedings for the adoption of the child.

4.

I understand that under Georgia law an agent may be appointed by the court to conduct an investigation and render a report to the court in connection with the legal proceeding for the legal adoption of the child, and I hereby agree to cooperate fully with such agent in the conduct of its investigation.

5.

I understand that I will receive a copy of this document after the witness and I have signed it and it has been notarized.

6.

I understand that under Georgia law I have the unconditional right to a four-day revocation period. I understand I may only revoke this surrender by giving written notice, delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery, to _____ (name and address of each individual to whom surrender is made or petitioner's representative, as applicable) within four days from the date of signing this document. I understand that certified mail cannot be used for mail delivery of the notice to revoke this surrender. I understand that the four days will be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date I sign this document; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which this surrender may be revoked will be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. I understand that, if I deliver the notice to revoke my surrender in person, it must be delivered to _____(name and address) not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time,

whichever is applicable, on the fourth day; provided, however, that if I mail the notice by registered mail or have it delivered by statutory overnight delivery, I must address it to the address shown in the surrender document and submit it to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. I understand that I CANNOT revoke this surrender after that time.

7.

I understand that if I am not a resident of this state that I am agreeing to be subject to the jurisdiction of the courts of Georgia for any action filed in connection with the adoption of the child. I agree to be bound by a decree of adoption rendered as a result of this surrender of my parental rights.

8.

Furthermore, I hereby certify that I have not been subjected to any duress or undue pressure in the execution of this document and I am signing it freely and voluntarily.

This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
(Parent or guardian)

_____
Adult witness

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this _____
day of _____, ____.

_____
Notary public (SEAL)
My commission expires: _____.'

(f) The pre-birth surrender of rights by a biological father who is not a legal father of the child pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection (e) of Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, or 19-8-7 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'PRE-BIRTH SURRENDER OF RIGHTS
FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION

NOTICE TO ALLEGED BIOLOGICAL FATHER:

This is an important legal document and by signing it, you are surrendering any and all of your rights to the child identified in this document, so as to place the child for adoption. You have the right to wait to execute a ~~PRE-BIRTH~~ SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION after the child is born, but by signing

this document, you are electing to surrender your rights prior to the birth of this child. Understand that you are signing this document under oath and that if you knowingly and willfully make a false statement in this document you will be guilty of the crime of false swearing. As explained below in paragraph 6, you have the right to revoke this pre-birth surrender within four days from the date you sign it.

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STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, _____ (name of alleged biological father) who, after having been sworn, deposes and says as follows:

1.

I, the undersigned, understand that I have been named by _____, the biological mother of the child expected to be born in _____ (city) _____ (county) _____ (state) on or about the _____ day of _____ (month), _____ (year), as the biological father or possible biological father of her child. I further understand that the biological mother wishes to place this child for adoption.

2.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the child has not been born as of the date I am signing this pre-birth surrender; however, if in fact the child has been born, this surrender shall have the same effect as if it were a surrender executed following the birth of the child.

3.

I understand that by signing this document I am not admitting that I am the biological father of this child, but if I am, I hereby agree that adoption is in this child's best interest. I consent to adoption of this child by any individual chosen by the child's legal mother or by any public or private agency that places children without further notice to me. I expressly waive any other notice or service in any of the legal proceedings for the adoption of the child. I understand that I have the option to wait until after the child is born to execute a surrender of my rights (with a corresponding four-day right of revocation) and, further, that by executing this document I am electing instead to surrender my rights before the child's birth.

4.

I understand that signing this document does not fully and finally terminate my rights and responsibilities until an order from a court of competent jurisdiction

terminating my rights or a final order of adoption is entered. I understand that if the child is not adopted after I sign this document, legal proceedings can be brought to establish paternity, and I may become liable for financial obligations related to the birth and support of this child.

5.

I understand that I will receive a copy of this document after the witness and I have signed it and it has been notarized.

6.

I understand that under Georgia law I have the unconditional right to a four-day revocation period. I understand that I may only revoke this pre-birth surrender by giving written notice, delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory overnight delivery, to _____ (name and address of child-placing agency representative, out-of-state licensed agency representative, Department of Human Services representative, individual to whom surrender is made or his or her agent, or petitioner's representative, as applicable) within four days from the date of signing this document. I understand that certified mail cannot be used for mail delivery of the notice to revoke this pre-birth surrender. I understand that the four days will be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date I sign this document; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which this surrender may be revoked will be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. I understand that, if I deliver the notice to revoke this surrender in person, it must be delivered to _____ (name and address) not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day; provided, however, that if I mail the notice by registered mail or have it delivered by statutory overnight delivery, I must address it to the address shown in the surrender document and submit it to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. I understand that I CANNOT revoke this surrender after that time.

7.

If prior to my signing this pre-birth surrender I have registered on Georgia's putative father registry then, if I do not revoke this surrender within the time permitted, I waive the notice I would be entitled to receive pursuant to Code Section 19-8-12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated because of my registration on the putative father registry.

8.

I understand that if I am not a resident of this state that I am agreeing to be subject

to the jurisdiction of the courts of Georgia for any action filed in connection with the adoption of the child. I agree to be bound by a decree of adoption rendered as a result of this surrender of my parental rights.

9.

Furthermore, I hereby certify that I have not been subjected to any duress or undue pressure in the execution of this document and I am signing it freely and voluntarily.

This _____day of _____, _____.

_____
(Alleged biological father)

_____
Adult witness

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this _____
day of _____, ____.

_____
Notary public (SEAL)
My commission expires: _____.'

(g) The acknowledgment of surrender of rights pursuant to subsection (f) of Code Section 19-8-4, 19-8-5, 19-8-6, or 19-8-7 shall conform substantially to the following form:

'ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SURRENDER
OF RIGHTS

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned officer duly authorized to administer oaths, _____ (name of parent, guardian, or alleged biological father) who, after having been sworn, deposes and says as follows:

(A) That I have read the accompanying (PRE-BIRTH SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION) (SURRENDER OF RIGHTS/FINAL RELEASE FOR ADOPTION) [circle one] relating to the child born _____ (name of child), a (male) (female) [circle one] on _____ (birthdate of child);

(B) That I understand that this is a full, final, and complete surrender, release, and termination of all of my rights to the child;

(C) That I have ~~chosen to retain~~ the unconditional right to revoke the surrender by giving written notice, delivered in person or mailed by registered mail or statutory

overnight delivery, to _____ (name and address of child-placing agency or its representative, out-of-state licensed agency or its representative, Department of Human Services or its representative, individual to whom surrender is made or his or her agent, or petitioner's representative, as applicable) within four days from the date of signing the surrender and that after such four-day revocation period I shall have no right to revoke the surrender. I understand that certified mail cannot be used for mail delivery of the notice to revoke the surrender of my rights. I understand that, if I deliver the notice to revoke my surrender in person, it must be delivered to _____ (name and address) not later than 5:00 P.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day; provided, however, that if I mail the notice by registered mail or have it delivered by statutory overnight delivery, I must address it to the address shown in the surrender document and submit it to the United States Postal Service or to the statutory overnight delivery carrier not later than 12:00 Midnight eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable, on the fourth day. I understand that the four days will be counted consecutively beginning with the day immediately following the date I signed the surrender; provided, however, that, if the fourth day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, then the last day on which the surrender may be revoked will be the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday;

(D) That I have read the accompanying surrender of rights and received a copy thereof;

(E) That any and all questions regarding the effect of such surrender and its provisions have been satisfactorily explained to me;

(F) That I have been given an opportunity to consult with an attorney of my choice before signing the surrender of my rights; and

(G) That the surrender of my rights has been knowingly, intentionally, freely, and voluntarily made by me.

This _____ day of _____, ____.

_____
(Parent, guardian, or alleged biological father)

_____
Adult witness

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this _____
day of _____, ____.

_____
Notary public (SEAL)

My commission expires: _____.'"

**SECTION 14.**

Code Section 29-4-10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to petition for appointment of guardian and requirements for petition, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(d) Within six months prior to the date a minor in the custody of the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services reaches 18 years of age, the Division of Family and Children Services may file a petition for the appointment of a guardian for the minor when that minor becomes an adult, in accordance with the provisions of this article, to take effect on or after the date the minor reaches 18 years of age."

**SECTION 15.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 154, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 168. By Representatives Petrea of the 166th, Stephens of the 164th, Williamson of the 115th, Fleming of the 121st, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 42-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to confidentiality of information supplied by inmates, penalties for breach, classified nature of department investigation reports, confidentiality of certain identifying information, and custodians of records, so as to provide that certain information within inmate files of the Department of Corrections shall not be classified as confidential state secrets when requested by the district attorney for purposes of responding to proposed actions of the State Board of Pardons and Paroles; to provide for a definition; to provide for an exception; to provide for nondisclosure; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | E Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 40, nays 11.

HB 168, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 210. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd, Rhodes of the 120th and Ridley of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certificates of title to motor vehicles, so as to exempt certain vehicles from the recording of odometer readings upon certificates of title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 25th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| E Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 210, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Orrock of the 36th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has disagreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Tillery of the 19th asked unanimous consent that the Senate insist on its substitute to HB 81.

The consent was granted, and the Senate insisted on its substitute to HB 81.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 4. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Robertson of the 29th, Rhett of the 33rd, Burke of the 11th and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 26 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drug abuse treatment and education programs, so as to prohibit patient brokering; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for enforcement; to provide for venue; to provide for reasonable expenses; to provide for cumulative actions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to provide that excessive, fraudulent, or high-tech drug testing of certain individuals is considered a fraudulent insurance act; to provide for investigation by the Commissioner of Insurance; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 4:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 5 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drug abuse treatment and education programs, so as to prohibit patient brokering; to provide for definitions; to provide for exceptions; to provide for penalties; to provide for enforcement; to provide for venue; to provide for reasonable expenses; to provide for cumulative actions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance, so as to provide that excessive, fraudulent, or high-tech drug testing of certain individuals is considered a fraudulent insurance act; to provide for investigation by the Commissioner of Insurance; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 5 of Title 26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drug abuse treatment and education programs, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 3

26-5-80.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Health care provider' means:

(A) Any person licensed under Chapter 9, 10A, 11, 11A, 26, 28, 30, 33, 34, 35, 39, or 44 of Title 43 or any hospital, nursing home, home health agency, institution, or medical facility licensed or defined under Chapter 7 of Title 31. Such term shall also include any corporation, professional corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, authority, or other entity composed of such health care providers; and

(B) A substance abuse provider.

(2) 'Health care provider network entity' means a corporation, professional corporation, partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or authority owned or operated by two or more health care providers and organized for the purpose of entering into agreements with health insurers, health care purchasing groups, Medicaid, or Medicare.

(3) 'Health insurer' means an accident and sickness insurer, health care corporation, health maintenance organization, or provider sponsored health care corporation or any similar entity regulated by the Commissioner of Insurance.

(4) 'Recovery residence' means a residential dwelling unit, or other form of group housing, that is offered or advertised through any means, including oral, written, electronic, or printed means, by any person or entity as a residence that provides a peer supported, alcohol-free, and drug-free living environment.

(5) 'Substance abuse provider' means:

(A) Any state owned or state operated hospital, community mental health center, or other facility utilized for the diagnosis, care, treatment, or hospitalization of persons who are alcoholics, drug dependent individuals, or drug abusers, and any other hospital or facility within the State of Georgia approved for such purposes by the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities;

(B) Any community service provider contracting with any state or local entity to furnish mental health, developmental disability, and addictive disease services;

(C) Any drug abuse treatment and education program and narcotic treatment program licensed under this chapter; and

(D) Any recovery residence.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, including any substance abuse provider, to:

(1) Pay or offer to pay any remuneration, including, but not limited to, a commission, benefit, bonus, rebate, kickback, or bribe, directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind, or engage in any split-fee arrangement, in any form, to induce the referral of a patient or patronage to or from a substance abuse provider;

(2) Solicit or receive any remuneration, including, but not limited to, a commission, benefit, bonus, rebate, kickback, or bribe, directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind, or engage in any split-fee arrangement, in any form, in return for the referral of a patient or patronage to or from a substance abuse provider;

(3) Solicit or receive any remuneration, including, but not limited to, a commission,

benefit, bonus, rebate, kickback, or bribe, directly or indirectly, in cash or in kind, or engage in any split-fee arrangement, in any form, in return for the acceptance or acknowledgment of treatment from a substance abuse provider; or

(4) Aid, abet, advise, or otherwise participate in the conduct prohibited by paragraphs (1) through (3) of this subsection.

(c) This Code section shall not apply to:

(1) Any discount, payment, waiver of payment, or payment practice not prohibited by 42 U.S.C. Section 1320a-7b(b) or its corresponding federal regulations regardless as to whether such discount, payment, waiver of payment, or payment practice involves a federal healthcare program; or any fraternal benefit society providing health benefits to its members as authorized pursuant to Chapter 15 of Title 33;

(2) Any payment, compensation, or financial arrangement within a group practice as defined in Code Section 43-1B-3, provided that such payment, compensation, or arrangement is not to or from persons who are not members of the group practice;

(3) Payments to a health care provider for professional services;

(4) Commissions, fees, or other remuneration lawfully paid to insurance agents as provided under Title 33;

(5) Payments by a health insurer that reimburses, provides, offers to provide, or administers health, mental health, or substance abuse goods or services under a health benefit plan;

(6) Payments to or by a health care provider or a health care provider network entity that has contracted with a health insurer, a health care purchasing group, or the Medicare or Medicaid program to provide health care, mental health, or substance abuse goods or services under a health benefit plan when such payments are for goods or services under the plan; provided, however, that nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to affect whether a health care provider network entity is an insurer required to be licensed under Title 33;

(7) Insurance advertising gifts lawfully permitted under Code Section 33-6-4; or

(8) Payments by a substance abuse provider to a health care, mental health, or substance abuse information service that provides information upon request and without charge to consumers about providers of health care goods or services to enable consumers to select appropriate health care providers, provided that such information service:

(A) Does not attempt through its standard questions for solicitation of consumer criteria or through any other means to steer or lead a consumer to select or consider selection of a particular health care provider;

(B) Does not provide or represent itself as providing diagnostic or counseling services or assessments of illness or injury and does not make any promises of cure or guarantees of treatment;

(C) Does not provide or arrange for transportation of a consumer to or from the location of a health care provider; and

(D) Charges and collects fees from a health care provider participating in its services that are set in advance, are consistent with the fair market value for those information services, and are not based on the potential value of a patient or patients to a health

care provider or of the goods or services provided by the health care provider.

(d)(1) Any person, including an officer, partner, agent, attorney, or other representative of a firm, joint venture, partnership, business trust, syndicate, corporation, or other business entity, who violates any provision of this Code section, when the prohibited conduct involves fewer than ten patients, commits a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 12 months and by a fine of not more than $1,000.00 per violation.

(2) Any person, including an officer, partner, agent, attorney, or other representative of a firm, joint venture, partnership, business trust, syndicate, corporation, or other business entity, who violates any provision of this Code section, when the prohibited conduct involves ten or more patients but fewer than 20 patients, commits a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than five years and by a fine of not more than $100,000.00 per violation.

(3) Any person, including an officer, partner, agent, attorney, or other representative of a firm, joint venture, partnership, business trust, syndicate, corporation, or other business entity, who violates any provision of this Code section, when the prohibited conduct involves 20 or more patients, commits a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ten years and by a fine of not more than $500,000.00 per violation.

(e) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the Attorney General or district attorney of the judicial circuit in which any part of the violation occurred may maintain an action for injunctive relief or other process to enforce the provisions of this Code section.

(f) For prosecutions under this Code section, venue shall be proper in any county in this state where any act was committed in furtherance of the unlawful conduct.

(g) The party bringing an action under this Code section may recover reasonable expenses in obtaining injunctive relief, including, but not limited to, investigative costs, court costs, reasonable attorney's fees, witness costs, and deposition expenses.

(h) The provisions of this Code section are in addition to any other civil, administrative, or criminal actions provided by law and may be imposed against both corporate and individual defendants."

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 1 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-1-16.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'High-tech drug testing' means testing an individual's specimen for more than one substance and billing and receiving payment separately for each substance tested.

(2) 'Person' means an individual, any person who provides coverage under Code Section 33-1-14, and any owner, manager, medical practitioner, employee, or other party involved in a fraudulent insurance act prohibited by this Code section.

(b)(1) For purposes of this Code section, a person commits a fraudulent insurance act if he or she knowingly and with intent to defraud, presents, causes to be presented, or prepares with knowledge or belief that it will be presented, any billing for excessive testing, fraudulent testing, or high-tech drug testing in the treatment of the elderly, the disabled, or any individual affected by pain, substance abuse, addiction, or any related disorder, to or by an insurer, broker, or any agent thereof, or directly or indirectly to an insured or uninsured patient.

(2) Such billing as provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(A) Upcoding that results in billing for more expensive services or procedures than were actually provided or performed;

(B) For patients undergoing drug abuse treatment, unbundling of such billing whereby a drug test from a single sample that detects a variety of narcotics is separated into multiple tests and billed separately;

(C) Billing an individual for multiple copayment amounts;

(D) Billing for drug testing that was not performed; and

(E) Billing for an excessive number of drug tests that are found to be medically unnecessary for the treatment.

(c) If, by his or her own inquiries or as a result of information received, the Commissioner has reason to believe that a person has engaged in or is engaging in a fraudulent insurance act under this Code section, the Commissioner shall have all the powers and duties pursuant to Code Section 33-1-16 to investigate such matter.

(d) A natural person convicted of a violation of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 12 months, by a fine of not more than $1,000.00 per violation, or both.

(e) This Code section shall not supersede any investigation audit which involves fraud, willful misrepresentation, or abuse under Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 or any other statutory provisions which authorize investigation relating to insurance."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 4.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 4.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 5. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Au of the 48th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide patient protection measures for patients undergoing sedation in certain settings; to provide for patients under conscious sedation in dental settings and for dental procedures in medispas; to provide for patients under varying levels of sedation in physician offices and medispas; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 5:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide patient protection measures for patients undergoing sedation in certain settings; to provide for patients under conscious sedation in dental settings and for dental procedures in medispas; to require certain training by dental assistants and dental

hygienists relating to the performance of phlebotomy and venipuncture procedures; to provide for patients under varying levels of sedation in physician offices and medispas; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended in Article 1 of Chapter 11, relating to general provisions relative to dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants, by revising Code Section 43-11-21, relating to conscious sedation, as follows:

"43-11-21.

(a) No dentist licensed and practicing in the State of Georgia shall administer either single or multiple pharmacologic agents by oral, parenteral, enteral, transdermal, or transmucosal route that renders a patient to a state of conscious sedation as defined in Code Section 43-11-1, unless such dentist has been issued a permit by the board under the conditions specified therefor in this Code section. The dentist shall ensure that the pharmacologic agents and methods used to administer such agents shall include a margin of safety so that loss of consciousness of the patient is unlikely. This Code section shall not restrict the use of nitrous oxide or pharmacological agents that do not render a patient to a state of conscious sedation. Such permit shall be subject to biennial renewal at the time the dentist is required to renew that dentist's license to practice dentistry. It shall be the responsibility of the dentist to provide such information as the board may require and to pay the separate initial issuance and renewal fees for the permit as may be established by the board.

(b) No dentist shall be issued a permit under this Code section unless the board has received satisfactory evidence that such dentist:

(1) Has received formal training in the use of conscious sedation at an institution accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association (ADA), its successor agency, or other board approved organization and is certified by such organization as competent in the administration of pharmacologic agents for conscious sedation and the handling of emergencies relating to conscious sedation. Such certification shall specify the type, number of hours, and length of training. The minimum didactic hours, patient contact hours, and number of patients sedated under supervision shall be established by rule or regulation of the board;

(2) Utilizes a properly equipped facility for the administration of conscious sedation, including physical plant and equipment, which has been evaluated and certified by an on-site examination; and

(3) Has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the board or any designee thereof proficiency in administering sedative techniques in the dentist's office on a patient or patients in a safe and effective manner.

(c) In enforcing the provisions of this Code section, the board is authorized to designate qualified persons to perform the on-site examinations and is further authorized to provide by rule or regulation for standards for physical plant, equipment, and personnel to be utilized in the induction of conscious sedation.

(d) The board or its appointed designee may, upon reasonable notice, make on-site inspections of the facility, equipment, and personnel of a dentist issued a permit under this Code section to determine if the standards of paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section are being maintained.

(e)(1) The board may, upon proper application, grant a provisional permit to administer conscious sedation to any dentist who meets the requirements of paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(2) A provisional permit issued under this subsection shall expire six months after its issuance or upon the board's determination by site visit that the requirements of paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (b) of this Code section have not been met, whichever occurs earlier. The provisional permit may be renewed once, at the discretion of the board, for a period not to exceed six months following the original expiration date.

(f) A dentist holding a current, valid permit to administer general anesthesia as provided in this chapter shall not be required to obtain a permit under this Code section in order to administer conscious sedation.

(g) A permit issued under this Code section may be revoked or not renewed if the board determines that the dentist holding such permit no longer meets any requirement of subsection (b) of this Code section. The board shall provide notice and opportunity for hearing under Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' in any case in which it revokes or refuses to renew a permit, provided that summary action regarding such permit shall be authorized under Code Section 50-13-18.

(h)(1) Any person who administers conscious sedation in this state in a dental facility or during the practice of dentistry in a medispa, without a license to practice dentistry from the board, shall be deemed to be engaged in the unlawful practice of dentistry and subject to the provisions of subsection (e) of Code Section 43-11-2 and Code Section 43-11-50. As used in this paragraph, the term 'medispa' means a facility that offers a range of services for the purpose of improving an individual's well-being or appearance, including medical and surgical procedures such as liposuction, laser procedures, intense pulsed light, and injection of cosmetic filling agents and neurotoxins, in a nontraditional setting.

(2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent a physician licensed in this state from administering conscious sedation or to deem a physician licensed in this state to be engaged in the unlawful practice of dentistry.

(3) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to expand the scope of the practice of dentistry.

~~(h)~~(i)(1) This Code section shall not prohibit a person who is duly licensed to practice medicine in this state and who is a member of the anesthesiology staff of an institution classified as a hospital and issued a permit as an institution under Code Section 31-7-1 from administering conscious sedation in a dental facility, except that such

anesthesiologist shall remain on the premises of the dental facility until any patient given conscious sedation by such anesthesiologist is stabilized and has regained consciousness.

(2) This Code section shall not prohibit a person who is duly licensed as a certified registered nurse anesthetist in this state from administering conscious sedation in a dental facility nor deem a certified registered nurse anesthetist to be engaged in the unlawful practice of dentistry, provided that such sedation is administered under the direction and responsibility of a dentist duly permitted under this Code section and that such nurse anesthetist shall remain on the premises of the dental facility until any patient given conscious sedation by such nurse anesthetist is stabilized and has regained consciousness.

(3) This Code section shall not prohibit a person who is duly licensed as a physician assistant in this state who has completed an anesthesiologist assistant program approved by the Georgia Composite Medical Board from administering conscious sedation nor deem such physician assistant to be engaged in the unlawful practice of dentistry, pursuant to their job description as approved by the Georgia Composite Medical Board, provided that such sedation is administered under the direction and responsibility of an anesthesiologist permitted under this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to Article 1 of Chapter 11, relating to general provisions relative to dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants, to read as follows:

"43-11-23.

(a) A dental assistant or licensed dental hygienist performing phlebotomy and venipuncture procedures shall be required to complete board approved training in phlebotomy, intravenous access, infection control, the handling of any medical or dental emergencies associated with such procedures, and any other safety related topics required by the board.

(b) A dental assistant or licensed dental hygienist assisting a licensed dentist during the lawful administration of conscious sedation under Code Section 43-11-21 or general anesthesia under Code Section 43-11-21.1 shall complete board approved training on the applicable procedures, protocols, patient monitoring techniques, equipment, and any other safety related topics required by the board. A dental assistant or licensed dental hygienist performing phlebotomy and venipuncture procedures while assisting the supervising dentist pursuant to this subsection shall also complete the training requirements contained in subsection (a) of this Code section.

(c) The procedures authorized in subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section shall only be performed under the direct supervision of a licensed dentist.

(d) A licensed dentist shall not delegate to a dental assistant or a dental hygienist the administration of any medication or drugs given to a patient through phlebotomy and venipuncture procedures."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Article 2 of Chapter 34, relating to the "Medical Practice Act of the State of Georgia," by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-34-47.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Deep sedation/analgesia' means a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which the patient cannot be easily aroused but can respond purposefully following repeated or painful stimulation.

(2) 'General anesthesia' means a state of unconsciousness intentionally produced by anesthetic agents, with absence of pain sensation over the entire body, in which the patient's protective airway reflexes may be impaired and the patient may be unable to maintain a patent natural airway. Sedation that progresses to the point at which the patient's protective airway reflexes are impaired and the patient is unable to maintain a patent natural airway is considered general anesthesia.

(3) 'Medispa' means a facility that offers a range of services for the purpose of improving an individual's well-being or appearance, including medical and surgical procedures such as liposuction, laser procedures, intense pulsed light, and injection of cosmetic filling agents and neurotoxins, in a nontraditional setting.

(4) 'Minimal sedation' means a drug-induced state during which the patient responds normally to verbal commands.

(5) 'Moderate sedation/analgesia' means a drug-induced depression of consciousness during which the patient responds purposefully to verbal commands, either alone or accompanied by tactile stimulation.

(6) 'Office based surgery' means any surgery or invasive medical procedure requiring sedation, when performed in a location other than a hospital, hospital associated surgical center, or an ambulatory surgical facility, including, but not limited to, physicians' offices and medispas.

(7) 'Rescue' means an intervention by a practitioner proficient in airway management and advanced life support to correct adverse physiologic consequences of the deeper-than-intended level of sedation and to return the patient to the originally intended level of sedation.

(8) 'Sedation' means minimal sedation, moderate sedation/analgesia, deep sedation/analgesia, or general anesthesia. This term shall not include local infiltration.

(b) No later than December 31, 2021, the board shall establish rules and regulations for the administration of sedation and rescue in office based surgeries to establish consistent standards, ensure continuing competency, and promote patient safety. Such rules and regulations shall include requirements on:

(1) A properly equipped and maintained facility to ensure patient safety, which may be demonstrated by appropriate accreditation or certification;

(2) Competency of the physician using sedation in the absence of an anesthesiologist or certified registered nurse anesthetist, including education and relevant training;

(3) Sedation assessment and management;

(4) Separation of surgical and sedation monitoring functions;

(5) Emergency care and transfer protocols in the event of a complication or emergency;
(6) Maintenance of complete and accurate medical records relating specifically to the sedation of the patient;
(7) Appropriate training and education in the safe and effective performance of all office based surgical procedures performed;
(8) Reporting of adverse events to the board; and
(9) Truth in advertising regarding the credentials, education, and training of the individuals administering sedation.

(c) Any physician administering sedation during office based surgery shall be subject to the rules and regulations established by the board pursuant to this Code section.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this Code section, any person who administers sedation during office based surgery in this state without a license to practice medicine from the board shall be deemed to be engaged in the unlawful practice of medicine and subject to the provisions of Code Sections 43-34-39 and 43-34-42.

(e)(1) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent a dentist licensed in this state with a permit issued by the Georgia Board of Dentistry pursuant to Code Section 43-11-21 from administering conscious sedation in a dental facility or during the practice of dentistry in a medispa or to deem a dentist licensed in this state to be engaged in the unlawful practice of medicine.

(2) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent a certified registered nurse anesthetist licensed in this state from administering conscious sedation or anesthesia pursuant to Code Section 43-26-11.1, subsection (h) of Code Section 43-11-21, or paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of Code Section 43-11-21.1 or to deem a certified registered nurse anesthetist licensed in this state to be engaged in the unlawful practice of medicine.

(3) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent a physician assistant licensed in this state who has completed a board approved anesthesiologist assistant program from administering conscious sedation or anesthesia or to deem such physician assistant to be engaged in the unlawful practice of medicine."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 5.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 52, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 5.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 32. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Robertson of the 29th, Burke of the 11th, Albers of the 56th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-18-72 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to when public disclosure not required, so as to exempt certain personal records of state and federal employees from public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 32:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Titles 43 and 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses and state government, respectively, so as to exempt certain personal records from public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended in Code Section 43-1-2, relating to appointment and general powers of division director, members and meetings of professional licensing boards, examination standards, roster of licensees, and funding, by revising subsection (k) as follows:

"(k) The division director shall prepare and maintain a roster containing the names and addresses of all current licensees for each of the various professional licensing boards. A copy of this roster, except for home addresses of licensees, shall be available to any person upon request at a fee prescribed by the division director sufficient to cover the cost of printing and distribution. The following shall be treated as confidential and need not be disclosed without the approval of the professional licensing board to which application is made:

(1) Applications and other personal information, including home addresses, submitted by applicants, except to the applicant, staff, and the board;

(2) Information, favorable or unfavorable, submitted by a reference source concerning an applicant, except to the staff and the board;

(3) Examination questions and other examination materials, except to the staff and the board; and

(4) The deliberations of the board with respect to an application, an examination, a complaint, an investigation, or a disciplinary proceeding, except as may be contained in official board minutes."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, is amended in Code Section 50-18-72, relating to when public disclosure not required, by revising paragraph (21) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(21) Records concerning public employees that reveal the public employee's home address, home telephone number, personal mobile or wireless telephone number, day and month of birth, social security number, insurance ~~or~~ information, medical information, mother's birth name, credit card information, debit card information, bank account information, account number, utility account number, password used to access his or her account, financial data ~~or~~ and information other than compensation by a government agency, unlisted telephone number if so designated in a public record, and the identity of the public employee's immediate family members or dependents. This paragraph shall not apply to public records that do not specifically identify public employees or their jobs, titles, or offices. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term 'public employee' means any officer, employee, or former employee of:

(A) The State of Georgia or its agencies, departments, or commissions;

(B) Any county or municipality or its agencies, departments, or commissions;

(C) Other political subdivisions of this state;

(D) Teachers in public and charter schools and nonpublic schools; ~~or~~

(E) Early care and education programs administered through the Department of Early Care and Learning; or
(F) The federal government or its agencies, departments, or commissions;"

**SECTION 3.**
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Brass of the 28th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 32.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 52, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 32.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 159. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Burke of the 11th, Ginn of the 47th and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 159:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 and Chapter 1 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education and identification and regulation of motor vehicles, respectively, so as to revise a provision relating to student transportation; to authorize local boards of education to use vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students to and from school related activities; to provide for minimum requirements; to provide for insurance; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended in Code Section 20-2-188, relating to student transportation, by revising subsection (e) as follows:

"(e) The State Board of Education shall establish and require adherence to minimum specifications for vehicles used or contracted to be used by local units of administration for transporting students, <u>including a motor vehicle with a capacity of eight persons or less operated and marked for the transportation of school children to and from school and school related activities,</u> taking into account the factors and circumstances set forth in subsection (a) of this Code section, and shall establish and require adherence to minimum standards and requirements respecting maintenance, repair, inspection, and use of such vehicles and minimum qualifications for the drivers of such vehicles. The state board shall require, monitor, and fund a program of safety instruction in the practices of safe riding and emergency bus evacuation drills for both school bus drivers and students riding school buses."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Part 1 of Article 22, relating to the powers of state and

local school officials with respect to school buses, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-1076.

(a) Local boards of education may authorize the use of vehicles other than school buses for the transport of students who are documented in an Individualized Education Program as recipients of special education services or as currently lacking, or during the previous academic year lacked, a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence as described under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 11301, et seq., to and from school and school related activities, where appropriate. Such vehicles may include motor vehicles with a capacity of eight persons or less operated and marked for the transportation of school children to and from school and school related activities.

(b) Local boards shall comply with all requirements established by the State Board of Education pursuant to Code Section 20-2-188, including minimum standards and requirements, which shall be delineated separately from requirements for school buses; for maintenance, repair, inspection, and use of such vehicles; minimum qualifications for the drivers of such vehicles; and other requirements as deemed necessary by the State Board of Education. Local boards may establish requirements in addition to such minimum state requirements, in the discretion of the local board.

(c) Local boards are authorized and required to cause policies of insurance to be issued insuring the students being transported to and from school related activities against bodily injury or death at any time resulting from an accident or collision in which such vehicles are involved. The amount of such insurance shall be within the discretion of each local board of education."

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 1 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to identification and regulation of motor vehicles, is amended in Code Section 40-1-1, relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (55) as follows:

"(55) 'School bus' means:

(A) A motor vehicle operated for the transportation of school children to and from school or school activities or for the transportation of children to and from church or church activities. Such term shall not include a motor vehicle with a capacity of 15 persons or less operated for the transportation of school children to and from school activities or for the transportation of children to and from church or church activities if such motor vehicle is not being used for the transportation of school children to and from school or any vehicle used for the transport of students to and from school and school related activities pursuant to Code Section 20-2-1076; or

(B) A motor vehicle operated by a local transit system which meets the equipment and identification requirements of Code Section 40-8-115; provided, however, that such vehicle shall be a school bus only while transporting school children and no other passengers to or from school."

**SECTION 4.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 159.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | E Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
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On the motion, the yeas were 53, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 159.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House insists on its position in disagreeing to the Senate substitute, and has appointed a Committee of Conference to confer with a like committee on the part of the Senate on the following Bill of the House:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and

provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Speaker has appointed on the part of the House, Representatives England of the 116th, Burns of the 159th, and Jones of the 47th.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Tillery of the 19th asked unanimous consent that the Senate adhere to its substitute to HB 81 and that a Conference Committee be appointed.

The consent was granted, and the President appointed as a Conference Committee the following Senators: Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th and Tillery of the 19th.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Walter McClelland, M.D.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 25, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 12:42 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Thursday, March 25, 2021
Thirty-eighth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary:

**OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**
240 STATE CAPITOL
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30334

**GEOFF DUNCAN**
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

March 24, 2021

Mr. David Cook
Secretary of the Senate
353 State Capitol
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Mr. Cook,

In accordance with the Senate Rules, and in agreement with the Senate Committee on Assignments, I hereby appoint **Senator Clint Dixon and Senator Russ Goodman** to serve as **Ex-Officios for the Senate Economic Development and Tourism Committee meeting today at 4pm.**

Sincerely,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Geoff Duncan
Lt. Governor of Georgia

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House and Senate:

HB 761. By Representatives Carter of the 92nd, Kendrick of the 93rd, Davis of the 87th, Drenner of the 85th, Taylor of the 91st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Lithonia in DeKalb County, Georgia, approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4586), so as to change the corporate limits of the city; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum; to provide for contingent effective dates and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 763. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the office of commissioner of Catoosa County, approved February 12, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 858), as amended, particularly by an Act approved February 6, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 4501), so as to revise provisions regarding the compensation of the governing authority; to repeal provisions requiring the governing authority to maintain offices at the county courthouse; revise provisions relating to meetings of the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 764. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd, Tarvin of the 2nd and Cameron of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Fort Oglethorpe to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 765. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Catoosa County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for liberal construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 766. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize Catoosa County, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 767. By Representative Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to authorize the Magistrate Court of Lee County to charge a law library fee, approved April 2, 1998 (Ga. L. 1998, p. 4135), as amended, so as to revise permitted uses of funds raised from such fee; to establish a Magistrate Court Law Library Fund Committee; to provide for members, terms, appointments, and duties of such committee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 768. By Representative Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Royston, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5918), so as to provide for city council posts; to revise election procedures; to update references to applicable general law; to revise provisions regarding election by plurality; to repeal outdated and expired provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 770. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

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

HB 775. By Representative Bentley of the 139th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to change the number of members of the board of education of Taylor County, approved April 17, 1975 (Ga. L. 1975, p. 3486), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 30, 1989 (Ga. L. 1989, p. 4396), so as to modify the compensation of the members of the board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 777. By Representatives Wilson of the 80th, Bennett of the 94th, Taylor of the 91st, Kendrick of the 93rd, Davis of the 87th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of DeKalb County, formerly known as the Civil and Criminal Court of DeKalb County, approved February 14, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 2401), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 13, 1957 (Ga. L. 1957, p. 3322), an Act approved February 18, 1960 (Ga. L. 1960, p. 2166), an Act approved March 3, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 3501), and an Act approved April 28, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3950), so as to provide definitions; to provide that the court shall be governed by general law related to state courts; to provide effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 33. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Hatchett of the 50th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding torts, so as to provide a cause of action against perpetrators for victims of human trafficking; to provide for definitions; to provide a cause of action against certain perpetrators of human trafficking by the Attorney General on behalf of the state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 119. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th, Burke of the 11th, Mullis of the 53rd, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-6-90 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to permit required for burning woods, lands, marshes, or other flammable vegetation, and exceptions, so as to except certain yard waste from permitting; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 187. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Miller of the 49th, Jackson of the 2nd, Walker III of the 20th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-519.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligibility requirements for a HOPE scholarship, so as to establish a procedure for students with a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act to apply for a waiver from certain HOPE scholarship and grant eligibility requirements; to

provide for responsibilities of the Georgia Student Finance Commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Resolution of the Senate:

SR 134. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 86. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Payne of the 54th, Hickman of the 4th, Albers of the 56th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 238. By Senator Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions, so as to revise provisions relating to the enactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; to clarify the portions of the Code which have the effect of law; to clarify the matter included in the Code that does not have the effect of law; to amend Chapter 9 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Code Revision Commission, so as to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to state content; to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to supplementary content; to revise a provision relating to copyright of the Code; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

At 10:02 a.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 10:32 a.m.

At 11:03 a.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SR 305. By Senators Beach of the 21st, Tippins of the 37th, Burns of the 23rd, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate University Admissions Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 307. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st and Payne of the 54th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the importance of creating multiple diploma pathways for high school students; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education and Youth.

SR 308. By Senators Anavitarte of the 31st, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Brass of the 28th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Sergeant Barry Henderson and dedicating an intersection in his memory; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 761. By Representatives Carter of the 92nd, Kendrick of the 93rd, Davis of the 87th, Drenner of the 85th, Taylor of the 91st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Lithonia in DeKalb County, Georgia, approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4586), so as to change the corporate limits of the city; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum; to provide for contingent effective dates and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 763. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the office of commissioner of Catoosa County, approved February 12, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 858), as amended, particularly by an Act approved February 6, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 4501), so as to revise provisions regarding the compensation of the governing authority; to repeal provisions requiring the governing authority to maintain offices at the county courthouse; revise provisions relating to meetings of the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 764. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd, Tarvin of the 2nd and Cameron of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Fort Oglethorpe to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 765. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Catoosa County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for liberal construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 766. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize Catoosa County, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 767. By Representative Yearta of the 152nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to authorize the Magistrate Court of Lee County to charge a law library fee, approved April 2, 1998 (Ga. L. 1998, p. 4135), as amended, so as to revise permitted uses of funds raised from such fee; to establish a Magistrate Court Law Library Fund Committee; to provide for members, terms, appointments, and duties of such committee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 768. By Representative Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Royston, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5918), so as to provide for city council posts; to revise election procedures; to update references to applicable general law; to revise provisions regarding election by plurality; to repeal outdated and expired provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 770. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

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

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 775. By Representative Bentley of the 139th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to change the number of members of the board of education of Taylor County, approved April 17, 1975 (Ga. L. 1975, p. 3486), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 30, 1989 (Ga. L. 1989, p. 4396), so as to modify the compensation of the members of the board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 777. By Representatives Wilson of the 80th, Bennett of the 94th, Taylor of the 91st,

Kendrick of the 93rd, Davis of the 87th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of DeKalb County, formerly known as the Civil and Criminal Court of DeKalb County, approved February 14, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 2401), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 13, 1957 (Ga. L. 1957, p. 3322), an Act approved February 18, 1960 (Ga. L. 1960, p. 2166), an Act approved March 3, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 3501), and an Act approved April 28, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3950), so as to provide definitions; to provide that the court shall be governed by general law related to state courts; to provide effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 676 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Walker III of the 20th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Economic Development and Tourism has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HR 248 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Thompson of the 14th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Education and Youth has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 681 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Payne of the 54th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Ethics has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 531 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burns of the 23rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Finance has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 32 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 160 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 317 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 469 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 477 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 517 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 574 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 575 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 586 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 587 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 588 | Do Pass by substitute | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Government Oversight has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 92 Do Pass by substitute
HB 409 Do Pass by substitute
HB 619 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbin of the 16th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 117 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 128 | Do Pass |
| HB 290 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 369 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 458 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 539 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 605 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 645 | Do Not Pass |
| HB 653 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Watson of the 1st District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Higher Education has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 67 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 152 | Do Pass |
| HB 291 | Do Pass | HB 606 | Do Pass |
| HB 617 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Tippins of the 37th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Insurance and Labor has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 244 | Do Pass | HB 254 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 303 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 454 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 532 | Do Pass | HB 714 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Burke of the 11th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 94 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 194 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 231 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 272 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 306 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 327 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 334 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 383 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 411 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 443 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 464 | Do Pass | HB 591 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 635 | Do Pass by substitute | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Strickland of the 17th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Public Safety has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 179 | Do Pass | HB 200 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 247 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 255 | Do Pass |
| HB 466 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 495 | Do Pass |
| HB 579 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Albers of the 56th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 449 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 480 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Cowsert of the 46th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SR 281 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.10 (c), the committee on Rules recommends the following legislation do pass by substitute:

HB 141 Do Pass by substitute
HB 465 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 703 | Do Pass | HB 704 | Do Pass |
| HB 732 | Do Pass | HB 739 | Do Pass |
| HB 753 | Do Pass | HB 754 | Do Pass |
| HB 757 | Do Pass | HB 769 | Do Pass |
| SB 300 | Do Pass | SB 301 | Do Pass |
| SB 302 | Do Pass | SB 304 | Do Pass |
| SB 305 | Do Pass | SB 306 | Do Pass by substitute |
| SB 307 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State Institutions and Property has had under consideration the

following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HR 142 Do Pass by substitute
HR 143 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Harbison of the 15th District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Transportation has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 577 Do Pass by substitute
HR 144 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Ginn of the 47th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| HB 32 | HB 67 | HB 92 | HB 94 | HB 117 | HB 128 |
| HB 152 | HB 160 | HB 179 | HB 194 | HB 200 | HB 231 |
| HB 244 | HB 247 | HB 254 | HB 255 | HB 272 | HB 290 |
| HB 291 | HB 303 | HB 306 | HB 317 | HB 327 | HB 334 |
| HB 369 | HB 383 | HB 409 | HB 411 | HB 443 | HB 449 |
| HB 454 | HB 458 | HB 464 | HB 466 | HB 469 | HB 477 |
| HB 480 | HB 495 | HB 517 | HB 531 | HB 532 | HB 539 |
| HB 574 | HB 575 | HB 577 | HB 579 | HB 586 | HB 587 |
| HB 588 | HB 591 | HB 605 | HB 606 | HB 617 | HB 619 |
| HB 635 | HB 653 | HB 676 | HB 681 | HB 714 | HR 142 |
| HR 143 | HR 144 | HR 248 | SR 281 | | |

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Rhett of the 33rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that Senator Burns of the 23rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Burns was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 24th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that Senator Dolezal of the 27th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Dolezal was excused.

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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| Albers | Harbin | Mullis |
| Anavitarte | Harbison | Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harper | Parent |
| Au | Harrell | Payne |
| Beach | Hatchett | Rahman |
| Brass | Hickman | Rhett |
| Burke | Hufstetler | Robertson |
| Butler | Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Cowsert | Jones, B. | Sims |
| Davenport | Jones, E. | Strickland |
| Dixon | Jordan | Summers |
| Dolezal | Kennedy | Thompson |
| Dugan | Kirkpatrick | Tillery |
| Ginn | Lucas | Tippins |
| Gooch | McNeill | Walker |
| Goodman | Merritt | Watson |
| Halpern | Miller | |

Not answering were Senators:

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| Anderson, L. (Excused) | Burns (Excused) | James (Excused) |
| Jones II (Excused) | Tate (Excused) | Jackson, K. |

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag

of Georgia.

Senator Merritt of the 9th introduced the chaplain of the day, Reverend Orlando Scott of Lawrenceville, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 302. By Senator Brass of the 28th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the graduation of the first certified cohort of high school apprentices trained in accordance with the German model of apprenticeship; and for other purposes.

SR 303. By Senators Burns of the 23rd and Jones II of the 22nd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Cross Creek High School boys basketball team and the Cross Creek High School girls basketball team; and for other purposes.

SR 304. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Burns of the 23rd, Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the T.W. Josey High School girls basketball team for winning the 2020-2021 GHSA Class 2A Girls State Basketball Championship; and for other purposes.

SR 306. By Senator Albers of the 56th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Rotary Club of Roswell and recognizing April 18, 2021, as Roswell Rotary Day; and for other purposes.

SR 309. By Senators Strickland of the 17th and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Sky Park; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Thursday March 25, 2021
Thirty-eighth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 300 Hickman of the 4th
Tillery of the 19th
**TATTNALL COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of commissioners for Tattnall County, approved August 18, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 674), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4730), so as to change certain provisions relating to compensation and expense supplements of the chairperson and members of the board of commissioners; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 301 Dugan of the 30th
**CITY OF CARROLLTON**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Carrollton, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 302 Walker III of the 20th
**PULASKI COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for minimum compensation for certain county officers of Pulaski County, approved April 11, 1979 (Ga. L. 1979, p. 4129), so as to revise the compensation of future county officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 304 Kennedy of the 18th
**PEACH COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Peach County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for a short title; to confer powers upon the authority; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to authorize the issuance of

revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 306 Jones of the 10th
Strickland of the 17th
**HENRY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding vacancies on the board of commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

SB 307 Walker III of the 20th
**PULASKI COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Pulaski County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 703 Walker III of the 20th
**BLECKLEY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of probate judge of Bleckley County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 704 Walker III of the 20th
**BLECKLEY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide that future elections for the office of chief judge of the Magistrate Court of Bleckley County shall be nonpartisan elections; to provide for the sitting chief judge of the magistrate court to serve out his or her term of office; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 739 Gooch of the 51st
**CITY OF BLUE RIDGE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Blue Ridge in Fannin County, approved March 21, 1989 (Ga. L. 1989, p. 3823), as amended, so as to provide for staggered terms of the mayor and councilmembers; to revise provisions regarding the filling of vacancies on the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 753 Brass of the 28th
**COWETA COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Coweta County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to confer powers upon the authority; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 754 Ginn of the 47th
**CITY OF HOSCHTON**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new charter for the City of Hoschton, Georgia, approved April 24, 2013 (Ga. L. 2013, p. 3539), as amended, so as to provide for a new governmental structure; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 757 Jordan of the 6th
Orrock of the 36th
Harrell of the 40th
Parent of the 42nd
Halpern of the 39th
Davenport of the 44th
**CITY OF ATLANTA**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend the "Atlanta Urban Enterprise Zone Act," approved March 24, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 4164), as amended, so as to provide for findings and purpose of urban enterprise zones; to provide for definitions; to provide for types of ad valorem property tax exemptions; to provide criteria for designating urban enterprise zones; to provide for the amount of exemptions; to provide for time limitations; to provide for identification of exempt properties; to provide for annual reports; to reserve Sections 11 and 12 of said Act; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 769 Harbin of the 16th
**SPALDING COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a board of elections for Spalding County, approved March 19, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4432), as amended, particularly by an Act approved June 3, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 4311), so as to revise the composition of the board; to provide for the termination of the term of the present fifth member; to provide for the appointment of a new fifth member; to provide for terms of office; to provide for the duties and requirements of the board; to provide for an elections supervisor and employees; to provide for qualifications and limitations on the election supervisor and employees; to provide for the county attorney to serve as legal adviser and represent the board; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

**Pursuant to Article VII, Section II, Paragraph IV of the Constitution, the following two local bills relating to homestead exemptions require a two-thirds roll-call vote for passage:**

SB 305 Burke of the 11th
**EARLY COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older and whose income, excluding certain retirement income, does not exceed $69,680.00; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to

provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 732 Jordan of the 6th
Orrock of the 36th
Harrell of the 40th
Parent of the 42nd
Halpern of the 39th
Davenport of the 44th
**CITY OF ATLANTA**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from City of Atlanta Independent School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $15,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district, approved May 4, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 7003), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 8, 2018 (Ga. L. 2018, p. 4167), so as to remove the sunset date for such exemption; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The substitute to the following bill was put upon its adoption:

*SB 306:

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to SB 306:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding vacancies on the board of commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**
An Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved

March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, is amended in subsection (c) of Section 3 by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(4) In the event that a majority of the board does not vote to appoint a person to fill a vacancy within the time provided for in this subsection, the chairperson shall then immediately appoint a qualified person from the list of nominations provided pursuant to this subsection to fill such vacancy."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there was no objection, and the substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bills as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bills on the Local Consent Calendar, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local bills, the yeas were 48, nays 1.

The bills on the Local Consent Calendar, except SB 306, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

SB 306, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 611, which was on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 35, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and HB 611 was engrossed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/25/21

I inadvertently voted yes on the engrossment of HB 611. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Lucas of the 26th

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021
THIRTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

HB 567 Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee; create (Substitute)(H&HS-11th) Cooper-43rd

HB 346 Jarom's Act; enact (Substitute)(H&HS-7th) LaRiccia-169th

HB 146 Public officers and employees; paid parental leave for eligible state employees and eligible local board of education employees; provide (Substitute)(I&L-49th) Gaines-117th

HB 44 State government; Georgia shall observe daylight savings time year round; provide (Substitute)(GvtO-1st) Cantrell-22nd

HB 286 Local government; restrict ability of county governing authorities to reduce funding for county police departments (Substitute)(PUB SAF-29th) Gaines-117th

HR 183 Congress; pass Recovering America's Wildlife Act; urge (NR&E-7th) Knight-130th

HB 173 Retirement and pensions; eligible large retirement system's assets that may be invested in alternative investments; increase percentage (RET-52nd) Benton-31st

HB 34 Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact Act; enact (H&HS-34th) Belton-112th

HB 141 Criminal procedure; requirements for awards made from Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund to medical service providers; provide (Substitute)(Rules-53rd)(Substitute)(H&HS-1st) Gaines-117th

HR 24 Lucci, Dominic Brian; compensate (APPROP-1st) Mallow-163rd

HR 25 Jones, Mark Jason; compensate (APPROP-1st) Mallow-163rd

HR 26 Gardiner, Kenneth Eric; compensate (APPROP-1st) Mallow-163rd

HB 631 Georgia Crime Information Center; develop a system to collect information on an individual's ability to communicate with law enforcement or emergency responders; provisions (Substitute)(PUB SAF-56th) Cheokas-

138th

HB 611 State government; definition of small business; change (Substitute)(FIN-14th) Cheokas-138th

HR 282 Sydnie Grace Jones Memorial Intersection; dedicate (TRANS-51st) Gunter-8th

HB 68 Professions and businesses; certain military certifications; extend time to qualify (Substitute)(VM&HS-14th) Clark-147th

HB 98 State government; conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; provide (Substitute)(S&T-27th) Lumsden-12th

HB 205 Insurance; framework for regulating the offering or issuance of travel insurance; provide (I&L-28th) Williams-148th

HB 268 The Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact Act; enact (H&HS-1st) Werkheiser-157th

HB 353 Motor vehicles; clarify what constitutes an obstruction for purposes of exceptions to when a vehicle is to drive on the right side of roadway (PUB SAF-56th) Jones-25th

HB 354 State Board of Cemeterians and Funeral Service; report suspected unlawful activity to the sheriff's office and the Attorney General; require (Substitute)(SJUDY-23rd) Williams-145th

HB 363 Crimes and offenses; protection of elder persons; revise definitions (JUDY-17th) LaHood-175th

HR 119 Senator Johnny Isakson Bridge; Chatham County; dedicate (TRANS-53rd) Ralston-7th

HB 370 Health; term limits for members of joint hospital authorities; provide (H&HS-32nd) Jones-47th

HB 453 Special license plates; certified, volunteer, and retired firefighters; provide standards for proof of eligibility (PUB SAF-56th) McDonald-26th

HB 459 Local government; prohibit annexations of county operated airport property (SLGO(G)-56th) Martin-49th

HB 465 Local government; imposing civil penalties upon an alarm systems contractor for a false alarm that occurs through no fault of alarm systems contractor; prohibit (Substitute)(Rules-53rd)(GvtO-29th) Gullett-19th

HB 553 State government; participation in hearings by electronic communications; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-50th) Gunter-8th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 567. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Dempsey of the 13th and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, so as to revise provisions relating to newborn screening for various disorders; to create the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations to the department when a new disorder is added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel; to provide for requests for appropriations to cover new disorders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Burke of the 11th.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 567:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to provide for the health of mothers and infants in childbirth; to require health care providers,

health care facilities, and pharmacies to provide access to the Maternal Mortality Review Committee to records within 30 days of request; to revise provisions relating to newborn screening for various disorders; to create the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations to the department when a new disorder is added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel; to provide for requests for appropriations to cover new disorders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, is amended in Code Section 31-2A-16, relating to the establishment of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee, by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d)(1) Health care providers licensed pursuant to Title 43, health care facilities licensed pursuant to Chapter 7 of Title 31, and pharmacies licensed pursuant to Chapter 4 of Title 26 shall provide reasonable access to the committee to all relevant medical records associated with a case under review by the committee <u>within 30 days of receiving a request for such records</u>.

(2) A health care provider, health care facility, or pharmacy providing access to medical records pursuant to this Code section shall not be held liable for civil damages or be subject to any criminal or disciplinary action for good faith efforts in providing such records."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 31-12-6, relating to a system for prevention of serious illness, severe physical or developmental disability, and death resulting from inherited metabolic and genetic disorders, as follows:

"31-12-6.

(a) The department shall promulgate rules and regulations creating a <u>newborn screening</u> system for the prevention of serious illness, severe physical or developmental disability, and death caused by ~~genetic conditions, such as phenylketonuria, galactosemia, homocystinuria, maple syrup urine disease, hypothyroidism, congenital adrenal hyperplasia, Krabbe disease, and such other~~ inherited metabolic and genetic disorders as <u>identified by the department. The department shall be authorized to consider recommendations from the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee established pursuant to subsection (i) of this Code section, to include disorders which are added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel and</u> may be identified in the future to result in serious illness, severe physical or developmental disability, and death if undiagnosed and untreated. ~~The system shall have five components: screening newborns for the disorders; retrieving potentially affected screenees back into the health care system; accomplishing specific diagnoses; initiating and continuing therapy; and assessing the program.~~

(b) The entire process for screening, retrieval, and diagnosis must occur within time frames established by the department pursuant to rules and regulations, and the system shall be structured to meet this critical need.

(c) The department shall be responsible for the screening of all newborns for the disorders enumerated by the department and in a manner determined by the department pursuant to rules and regulations and shall be responsible for assessment of the program~~; provided, however, that screening for Krabbe disease shall be conducted separately at the option of the parent or parents~~. When any new disorder is approved by the department after recommendation by the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee established pursuant to subsection (i) of this Code section, the department shall submit a budget request to the Office of Planning and Budget prior to the General Assembly's next legislative session seeking appropriations to cover the new disorder added to the newborn screening system. The department shall begin screening newborns for any such new disorder no later than 18 months after such appropriation becomes effective.

(d) The department shall, to the extent state or federal funds are available for such purposes, including but not limited to funds provided under Title V of the Social Security Act, the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant, provide for retrieving potentially affected screenees back into the health care system~~;~~, accomplishing specific diagnoses~~;~~, initiating and continuing therapy~~;~~, and assessing the program.

(e) The department shall utilize appropriate existing resources whenever possible and shall cause the coordination and cooperation of agencies and organizations having resources necessary for the creation of an effective system.

(f) The department shall be authorized to establish and periodically adjust, by rule and regulation, fees associated with the screening, retrieval, and diagnosis conducted pursuant to this Code section to help defray or meet the costs incurred by the department~~; provided, however, that the fees for screening for Krabbe disease shall be paid directly by the parents to the laboratory~~. In no event shall the fees exceed such costs, both direct and indirect, in providing such screenings and related services, provided that no services shall be denied on the basis of inability to pay. All fees paid thereunder shall be paid into the general fund of the State of Georgia.

(g) The department shall allow any laboratory licensed in Georgia and authorized to perform screening ~~testing~~ of newborn infants in any state using normal pediatric reference ranges to conduct the analysis required pursuant to this Code section; provided, however, that the screening ~~for Krabbe disease~~ may be conducted by a laboratory located outside of Georgia if approved by the board. The testing performed by such laboratory must include testing for newborn diseases as required by law or regulation, except ~~for Krabbe disease~~ as otherwise provided by the department, and shall provide test results and reports consistent with law and with policies, procedures, and regulations of the department.

~~(h) No later than January 1, 2007, the Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts shall conduct an assessment evaluating the efficiency and effectiveness of the newborn screenings conducted by the Georgia Public Health Laboratory pursuant to this Code section. If it is determined that private laboratories can provide testing at a lower cost~~

~~than the Georgia Public Health Laboratory, the department shall issue a request for proposals to qualified vendors including any private laboratory licensed in Georgia as established in subsection (g) of this Code section. The Georgia Public Health Laboratory shall be eligible to respond to such request for proposals.~~

~~(i)~~(h) The requirements of this Code section with regard to screening, retrieval, and diagnosis shall not apply to any infant whose parents object in writing thereto on the grounds that such tests and treatment conflict with their religious tenets and practices.

(i) There is established the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee. The advisory committee shall consist of not less than 11 nor more than 21 members to be appointed by the commissioner. Each member of the advisory committee shall serve a three-year term and until the appointment of his or her successor. Any member may be reappointed by the commissioner. The advisory committee shall meet at least two times per year or upon the call of the chairperson. The advisory committee shall consider and make recommendations to the commissioner related to the inclusion of screening for any disorder added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel (RUSP), within one year of such addition. As part of such recommendations, the advisory committee shall advise the commissioner on the estimated cost to the department for screening for such disorder. The advisory committee shall be authorized to establish ad hoc subcommittees and to advise the commissioner on procedures for collection and transmission of specimens and the recording of diagnostic results."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 567, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/25/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 567. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Butler of the 55th

HB 346. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services personnel, so as to authorize the administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate to patients with congenital adrenal hyperplasia under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements; to provide for immunity; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harper of the 7th.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 346:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services personnel, so as to authorize the administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate by paramedics to patients with congenital adrenal

hyperplasia under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements; to provide for immunity; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as "Jarom's Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services personnel, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"31-11-55.2.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Congenital adrenal hyperplasia' means the salt wasting form of the classic type of congenital adrenal hyperplasia.

(2) 'Emergency medical services personnel' means any person who has been certified as an emergency medical technician, cardiac technician, or paramedic.

(b) Paramedics shall be authorized to administer hydrocortisone sodium succinate intramuscularly for the purpose of providing emergency care to a patient who:

(1) Has congenital adrenal hyperplasia;

(2) Is believed to be in adrenal crisis; and

(3) Has on his or her person or in his or her belongings hydrocortisone sodium succinate in packaging that clearly states the appropriate dosage and has an unbroken seal.

(c) In order to ensure public health and safety:

(1) All emergency medical services personnel shall obtain appropriate training on congenital adrenal hyperplasia, and all paramedics shall obtain appropriate training regarding administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate as set forth in the rules and regulations of the Department of Public Health; and

(2) Within a reasonable period of time, all paramedics who administer hydrocortisone sodium succinate shall make available a printed or electronically stored report to the licensed ambulance service which transports the patient.

(d) The immunity provided in Code Section 31-11-8 shall apply to any paramedic who in good faith renders emergency care pursuant to this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Au of the 48th, Harper of the 7th and Watson of the 1st offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 346 (LC 33 8775S) by Senate Committee HHS substitute

On Line 22 add after hyperplasia; or any adrenal insufficiency;

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Au amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 54, nays 0.

HB 346, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 146. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Rich of the 97th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding

personnel administration, so as to provide for paid parental leave for eligible state employees and eligible local board of education employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for terms and conditions; to provide for certain prohibitions; to provide for rules; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Miller of the 49th.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to HB 146:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding personnel administration, so as to provide for paid parental leave for eligible state employees and eligible local board of education employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for terms and conditions; to provide for certain prohibitions; to provide for rules; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding personnel administration, is amended by revising Code Section 45-20-17, which was previously reserved, as follows:

"45-20-17.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Eligible employee' means:

(A) Any individual identified in subparagraph (A), (E), (F), (G), or (L) of paragraph (2) of Code Section 45-18-1 who is classified as full-time by the applicable state employing entity; or

(B) Any individual identified in paragraph (4) of Code Section 20-2-880 or paragraph (3) of Code Section 20-2-910 who is classified as full-time by the applicable local board of education.

(2) 'Employing entity' means:

(A) The executive, legislative, or judicial branch of state government; or

(B) A local board of education.

(3) 'Qualifying life event' means:

(A) The birth of a child of an eligible employee;

(B) The placement of a minor child for adoption with an eligible employee; or

(C) The placement of a minor child for foster care with an eligible employee.

(b) All eligible employees of an employing entity shall be eligible for paid parental

leave for qualifying life events after six continuous months of employment with the employing entity regardless of whether the employee is eligible for paid or unpaid leave under federal law. Such paid parental leave shall be equally available to all eligible employees.

(c) The maximum amount of paid parental leave that may be taken by an eligible employee during a rolling 12 month period is 120 hours, regardless of the number of qualifying life events that occur within such period. The rolling 12 month period shall be measured backward from the date an eligible employee first uses parental leave. Such leave may be used as needed and may be taken in increments of less than eight hours. Any such leave that remains 12 months after the qualifying life event shall not carry over for future use.

(d) Unused paid parental leave shall have no cash value at the time of the eligible employee's separation from employment with the employing entity.

(e) Each employing entity shall promulgate rules for the administration of paid parental leave under this Code section for eligible employees which are not in conflict with this Code section; provided, however, that the State Personnel Board shall promulgate such rules for any employing entity that is considered a department or agency as such terms are synonymously defined in paragraph (6) of Code Section 45-20-2. At a minimum, such rules of the employing entity shall address:

(1) Whether paid parental leave under this Code section shall run concurrently with any leave provided under federal law; and

(2) The documentation, if any, that an eligible employee shall be required to provide to establish the existence of a qualifying life event.

(f) To implement paid parental leave under this Code section, the State Accounting Office shall make any and all necessary adjustments to its current and any future human capital management software, websites, and platforms used by participating employing entities to ensure that paid parental leave appears as a new benefit leave category not later than the effective date of this Code section.

(g) An eligible employee employed on an hourly basis shall be eligible for paid parental leave under this Code section if he or she has worked a minimum of 700 hours over the six-month period immediately preceding the requested paid parental leave date.

(h) Provided that the use of paid parental leave is not likely to unduly disrupt the employing entity's operations, no employing entity shall interfere with, restrain, or deny the exercise of or the attempt to exercise the provisions of this Code section by any eligible employee. No employing entity shall discharge or in any other manner discriminate or retaliate against any eligible employee for lawfully exercising the provisions of this Code section. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code section, nothing shall prevent an employing entity from taking an adverse employment action against an eligible employee who submits a false or fraudulent document or otherwise provides false or fraudulent information in an attempt to obtain paid parental leave under this Code section ~~Reserved~~."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 146, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 44. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Greene of the 151st, Barr of the 103rd, Werkheiser of the 157th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe daylight savings time year round; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight offered the following substitute to HB 44:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe standard time year round until such time as Congress authorizes the states to observe daylight savings time; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-1-10.

(a) Except as provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section, this state, including all of its political subdivisions thereof, shall observe standard time year round as the standard time of the entire state and all of its political subdivisions.

(b) If the United States Congress amends 15 U.S.C. Section 260a to authorize states to observe daylight savings time year round, this state, including all of its political subdivisions thereof, shall observe daylight savings time year round as the standard time of the entire state and all of its political subdivisions. If such congressional amendment is adopted at such time as this state is observing standard time, this state shall begin observing daylight savings time only when it would have begun observing daylight savings time had such amendment not been adopted. If such congressional amendment is adopted at such time as this state is observing daylight savings time, this state shall continue to observe daylight savings time and shall do so year round."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon the 2021 expiration of daylight savings time if the Act is approved by the Governor after the 2021 transition to daylight savings time or becomes law without his approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | N Harbison | E Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
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| N Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
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| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 21, nays 26.

HB 44, having failed to receive the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

Senator Watson of the 1st moved that the Senate reconsider its action in defeating the following bill.

HB 44. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Greene of the 151st, Barr of the 103rd, Werkheiser of the 157th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe daylight savings time year round; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

On the motion, there was no objection; the motion prevailed, and HB 44 was reconsidered and placed on the General Calendar.

Senator Watson of the 1st moved that HB 44 be placed on the Table.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 36, nays 7, and the motion prevailed.

The Secretary of the Senate advised the Senate that due to HB 44 being placed on the General Calendar upon reconsideration, the motion and the vote to place HB 44 on the Table were out of order, and HB 44 remained on the General Calendar.

HB 286. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Dempsey of the 13th, Wiedower of the 119th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county police, so as to restrict the ability of

county governing authorities to reduce funding for county police departments; to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to municipal corporations, so as to restrict the ability of municipal or consolidated government governing authorities to reduce funding for municipal police departments; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to HB 286:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 8 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county police, so as to restrict the ability of county governing authorities to reduce funding for county police departments; to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to municipal corporations, so as to restrict the ability of municipal or consolidated government governing authorities to reduce funding for municipal police departments; to provide for exceptions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for public officers and employees, so as to require the state and certain local governments to provide certain public safety employees with the ability to have legal insurance premiums deducted from the employee's payroll; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 8 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county police, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"36-8-8.

(a)(1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the governing authority of a county that has elected to establish a county police force pursuant to this chapter shall not decrease the annual budgetary appropriation for such police force by more than 5 percent of the previous fiscal year's appropriation for such police force.

(2)(A) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if actual or anticipated revenues of the county for the applicable fiscal year decrease by more than 5 percent. In such event, the governing authority shall be authorized to decrease the budgetary appropriation for such police force, but in no event shall the budget of the

police force be decreased by a greater percentage than the overall percentage decrease in actual or anticipated revenues of the county.

(B) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if during the previous fiscal year the county made a one-time capital public safety facility, equipment, or software purchase or incurred a one-time legal obligation that increased the annual budgetary appropriation of such police force by more than 4 percent above the annual budgetary appropriation for such police force for the fiscal year immediately preceding the previous fiscal year and the current fiscal year.

(b)(1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the governing authority of a county that has elected to establish a county police force pursuant to this chapter shall ensure that the annual budgetary appropriations for such police force during a rolling five-year period shall not decrease by more than 5 percent during such time period.

(2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if actual or anticipated revenues of the county for the applicable time period decrease by more than 5 percent. In such event, the governing authority shall be authorized to decrease the budgetary appropriation for such police force, but in no event shall the budget of the police force be decreased by a greater percentage than the overall percentage decrease in actual or anticipated revenues of the county.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section shall not apply if:

(1) The governing authority ensures that an equal or greater level of law enforcement services will be provided to the county by either the sheriff or another local government pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement;

(2) During the applicable time period, the county is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction to begin providing a public service at a level such county was not providing prior to the issuance of such court order necessitating county-wide budgetary adjustments; or

(3) Whenever a governing authority shall propose to adopt a police department budget which would exceed any limits in subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section, it shall adopt that budget rate at an advertised public meeting and at a time and place which is convenient to the taxpayers of the taxing jurisdiction. The governing authority shall also place an advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation serving the residents of the unit of local government and post such advertisement on the website of the governing authority, which describes the proposed percentage reduction in police services from the previous year's appropriation for police services. At least one week prior to the meeting of the governing authority at which adoption of the budget rate will be considered, the governing authority shall conduct a public hearing, at which time any persons wishing to be heard on the budget reduction may appear.

(d) This Code section shall not apply to any county police force employing less than 25 full-time or part-time certified law enforcement officers."

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to municipal corporations, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"36-60-28.

(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the governing authority of a municipality that has established a municipal police force shall not decrease the annual budgetary appropriation for such police force by more than 5 percent of the previous fiscal year's appropriation for such police force.

(2)(A) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if actual or anticipated revenues of the municipality for the applicable fiscal year decrease by more than 5 percent. In such event, the governing authority shall be authorized to decrease the budgetary appropriation for such police force, but in no event shall the budget of the police force be decreased by a greater percentage than the overall percentage decrease in actual or anticipated revenues of the municipality.

(B) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if during the previous fiscal year the municipality made a one-time capital public safety facility, equipment, or software purchase or incurred a one-time legal obligation that increased the annual budgetary appropriation of such police force by more than 4 percent above the annual budgetary appropriation for such police force for the fiscal year immediately preceding the previous fiscal year and the current fiscal year.

(b)(1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, the governing authority of a municipality that has established a municipal police force shall ensure that the annual budgetary appropriations for such police force during a rolling five-year period shall not decrease by more than 5 percent during such time period.

(2) Paragraph (1) of this subsection shall not apply if actual or anticipated revenues of the municipality for the applicable time period decrease by more than 5 percent. In such event, the governing authority shall be authorized to decrease the budgetary appropriation for such police force, but in no event shall the budget of the police force be decreased by a greater percentage than the overall percentage decrease in actual or anticipated revenues of the municipality.

(c) Subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section shall not apply if:

(1) The governing authority ensures that an equal or greater level of law enforcement services will be provided to the municipality by another local government pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement;

(2) During the applicable time period, the municipality is ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction to begin providing a public service at a level such municipality was not providing prior to the issuance of such court order necessitating city-wide budgetary adjustments; or

(3) Whenever a governing authority shall propose to adopt a police department budget which would exceed any limits provided for in subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section, it shall adopt that budget rate at an advertised public meeting and at a time and place convenient to the taxpayers of the taxing jurisdiction. The governing

authority shall also place an advertisement in a newspaper of general circulation serving the residents of the unit of local government and post such advertisement on the website of the governing authority, which describes the proposed percentage reduction in police services from the previous year's appropriation for police services. At least one week prior to the meeting of the governing authority at which adoption of the budget rate will be considered, the governing authority shall conduct a public hearing, at which time any persons wishing to be heard on the budget reduction may appear.

(d) This Code section shall also apply to any consolidated government that operates a police force, and such police force shall be considered a municipal police force for the purposes of this Code section.

(e) This Code section shall not apply to any municipal police force employing less than 25 full-time or part-time certified law enforcement officers."

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 1 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for public officers and employees, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"45-1-8.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Correctional officer' means any person who is authorized to exercise the power of arrest and who is employed or appointed by the Department of Corrections or the State Board of Pardons and Paroles.

(2) 'Emergency health worker' means hospital emergency department personnel and emergency medical services personnel.

(3) 'ERISA' means the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, 29 U.S.C. Section 1001, et seq.

(4) 'Firefighter' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 25-4-2.

(5) 'Highway emergency response operator' means a person employed by the Department of Transportation who operates a towing or recovery vehicle or highway maintenance vehicle.

(6) 'Jail officer' means any person who is employed or appointed by a county or municipality and who has the responsibility of supervising inmates confined in a municipal or county detention facility.

(7) 'Juvenile correctional officer' means any person employed or appointed by the Department of Juvenile Justice whose primary responsibility is the supervision and control of youth confined in its programs and facilities.

(8) 'Probation officer' means a community supervision officer, county or Department of Juvenile Justice juvenile probation officer, or probation officer serving pursuant to Article 6 of Chapter 8 of Title 42.

(9) 'Public safety employee' means a peace officer, correctional officer, emergency health worker, firefighter, highway emergency response operator, jail officer, juvenile correctional officer, or probation officer.

(b) The State of Georgia and the governing authority of each county and municipality that currently provides electronic payroll deposits to employees shall also provide payroll deductions to any full-time or part-time public safety employee who requests such a deduction for the purpose of purchasing insurance that provides such public safety employee with legal representation during all civil, administrative, or criminal actions caused as a result of his or her role or responsibilities as a public safety employee. Such deduction shall only be used to pay the premiums on insurance plans that are compliant within current ERISA standards and any dues or fees required by any professional organization that owns and provides such ERISA compliant product as a benefit of membership."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 36, nays 15.

HB 286, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Miller of the 49th, President Pro Tempore, assumed the Chair.

HR 183. By Representatives Knight of the 130th, Rhodes of the 120th, LaHood of the 175th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Corbett of the 174th:

A RESOLUTION urging the Congress of the United States to pass the Recovering America's Wildlife Act; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harper of the 7th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 45, nays 0.

HR 183, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HB 173. By Representatives Benton of the 31st, Werkheiser of the 157th, Stephens of the 164th, McDonald of the 26th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 47-20-87 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to eligible large retirement systems authorized to invest in certain alternative investments, so as to increase the percentage of an eligible large retirement system's assets that may be invested in alternative investments; to provide limitations for the Teachers' Retirement System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

HB 173, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Orrock of the 36th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

HB 34. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Hawkins of the 27th, Corbett of the 174th, Hitchens of the 161st, Blackmon of the 146th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 44 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to speech-language pathologists and audiologists, so as to revise licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact"; to provide the State Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology with the power to administer such compact in this state and to conduct national background checks for which applicants for licensure are required to submit fingerprints; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Seay of the 34th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 44, nays 0.

HB 34, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 25, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 34. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/25/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 34. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Jackson of the 41st

HB 141. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Reeves of the 34th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to victim compensation, so as to provide for requirements for awards made from the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund to medical service providers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 141:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 15 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to victim compensation, so as to provide for requirements for awards made from the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund to medical service providers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 15 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to victim compensation, is amended in Code Section 17-15-8, relating to required findings, amount

of award, rejection of claim, reductions, exemptions, effective date for awards, psychological counseling for relatives of deceased, and memorials for victims of DUI homicide, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b.1)(1) Payments made by the board to medical service providers for compensation for medical services shall be made in accordance with the list of usual, customary, and reasonable charges for medical services published by the State Board of Workers' Compensation as provided for in Code Section 34-9-205 unless an investigation of the charges by the board determines that there is a reasonable health care justification for the deviation from such list of usual, customary, and reasonable charges.

(2) Payments made to and accepted by a medical provider shall be considered payment in full for the charges with respect to the board, victim, and claimant."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2022.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

HB 141, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House:

HB 709. By Representatives LaRiccia of the 169th, Burchett of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th, Pirkle of the 155th, Meeks of the 178th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing that the governing authority of each county comprising the Waycross Judicial Circuit may supplement the compensation, salary, expenses, and allowances of each of the judges of the superior courts of the Waycross Judicial Circuit, approved March 20, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 3879), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 8, 2018 (Ga. L. 2018, p. 3975), so as to increase the amounts of such supplements; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 744. By Representatives Anulewicz of the 42nd, Thomas of the 39th, Allen of the 40th, Bruce of the 61st, Smith of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Smyrna, approved August 27, 1931 (Ga. L. 1931, p. 955), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 762. By Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Thomas of the 65th, Evans of the 57th, Roberts of the 52nd, Moore of the 95th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Fulton Technology and Energy Enhancement Authority; to provide a statement of legislative findings; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of this Act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 771. By Representatives Thomas of the 39th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Allen of the 40th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Williams of the 37th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Austell, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 778. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Ringgold, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 790. By Representatives Cameron of the 1st and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Chickamauga Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 791. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Allen of the 40th, Bruce of the 61st, Reeves of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Powder Springs, approved March 13, 1970 (Ga. L. 1970, p. 2760), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 4, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3969), so as to update the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 792. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Wayne County Altamaha River and Leisure Services Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 793. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Wayne County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 794. By Representatives Howard of the 124th, Prince of the 127th and Newton of the 123rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act regulating public instruction for the County of Richmond, approved August 23, 1872 (Ga. L. 1872, p. 456), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4322), so as to modify the compensation of the members of the County Board of Education of Richmond County, Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 795. By Representative Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act providing for a supplement to the compensation of the Judge of the Probate Court of Glascock County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3567), as amended; to provide for an applicability date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 796. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Wiedower of the 119th and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Classic Center Authority for Clarke County, approved March 10, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 3799), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 2, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5665), so as to change certain provisions relative to the purpose and powers of the authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 799. By Representatives Drenner of the 85th and Lopez of the 86th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act to create the Clarkston Development Authority, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3837); to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 800. By Representative Pirkle of the 155th:

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

HB 801. By Representative Erwin of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of registrations and elections for Stephens County, Georgia; to provide for the powers and duties of the board; to provide for the appointment, resignation, and removal of its members; to provide for meetings and special meetings of the board; to provide an administrative office for elections and registrations; to staff such office with an elections supervisor, clerical assistants, and other employees; to provide compensation for administrative personnel and members of the board; to provide definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide a contingent effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 802. By Representative Erwin of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a Stephens County Board of Registrations and Elections, approved March 30, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 803. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

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

HB 804. By Representative Leverett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Hull; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 294. By Senator Harrell of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Chamblee, approved March 28, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 976), as amended, so as to change the election districts to provide for four council districts and one at-large district; to provide for terms of office; to define the boundaries of the four numbered districts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Calendar was resumed.

HR 24. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Dominic Brian Lucci; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

Senators Lucas of the 26th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Harrell of the 40th, Orrock of the 36th and others offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HR 24 (LC 34 5723) by striking line 1 and replacing it with:

“Compensating Dominic Brian Lucci; Compensating Mr. Jakeith Bendray Robinson, Sr.; and for other purposes.”; and

striking line 42 and replacing it with:
“to be made to his estate or heirs; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Administrative Services is authorized and directed to pay the sum of $560,000.00 to Mr. Jakeith Bendray Robinson, Sr., as compensation. Said sum shall be paid from funds appropriated to or available to the Department of Administrative Services and shall be in full and complete satisfaction of all claims against the state arising out of said occurrance. Said sum shall be subject to state income taxes and shall be paid in the form of an annuity over a 20 year period with an initial lump sum payment of $50,000.00 and monthly payments thereafter.

Senator Dugan of the 30th requested a ruling of the Chair as to the germaneness of the amendment #1.

The President Pro Tempore ruled the amendment addressed the compensation of an

additional individual involving different circumstances on different dates and different locations in a manner that involved two separate subject matters, and therefore was not germane.

At 1:11 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 1:31 p.m.

At 1:34 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, called the Senate to order.

The Calendar was resumed.

Senator Lucas of the 26th appealed the ruling of the President Pro Tempore.

On the motion to sustain the ruling of the Chair, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 29, nays 22; the motion prevailed, and the ruling of the President Pro Tempore was sustained.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HR 24, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HR 25. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Mark Jason Jones; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |

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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HR 25, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HR 26. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th and Singleton of the 71st:

A RESOLUTION compensating Kenneth Eric Gardiner; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

Senator Lucas of the 26th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HR 26 by striking lines 1 through 43 and replacing them with: “Compensating Kenneth Eric Gardner; compensating Mr. Jakieth Bendray Robinson; and for other purposes.
The sums of money, hereinafter provided are appropriated as provided hereinafter:

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| Total Funds | $1,560,000.00 |
| Compensating Kenneth Eric Gardiner | $1,000,000.00 |
| Compensating Jackieth Bendray Robinson, Sr. | $560, 000.00 |

These sums shall be subject to state income tax and paid in the form of an annuity over 20 years with an initial lump sum payment and monthly payments thereafter”

Senator Dugan of the 30th requested a ruling of the Chair as to the germaneness of the amendment #1.

The President Pro Tempore ruled the amendment addressed compensation of additional individuals that involved different circumstances, and therefore was not germane.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HR 26, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HB 631. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Newton of the 123rd, Kelley of the 16th, Lumsden of the 12th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Crime Information Center, so as to provide for the development and operation of a system to voluntarily collect and disseminate information relating to conditions that may impede an individual's ability to communicate with law enforcement or emergency responders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to HB 631:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 38-3-182 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to establishment of Georgia Emergency Communications Authority, purpose, duties and responsibilities, board of directors, perpetual existence, power and authority, operation, and regulation, so as to provide for the operation of a system to voluntarily collect and disseminate information relating to conditions that may impede an individual's ability to communicate with law enforcement or emergency responders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 38-3-182 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to establishment of Georgia Emergency Communications Authority, purpose, duties and responsibilities, board of directors, perpetual existence, power and authority, operation, and regulation, is amended in subsection (c) by deleting "and" at the end of paragraph (7), by replacing the period with "; and" at the end of paragraph (8), and by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(9) Upon request by a public safety answering point, provide assistance to such public safety answering point with its locally managed processes to be regarded as Logan's List: the collection, storage, retrieval, and dissemination of information voluntarily submitted to a public safety answering point which indicates an individual has a physical, mental, or neurological condition which impedes his or her ability to communicate with any law enforcement officer or emergency responder."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 631, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 611. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Stephens of the 164th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to small business assistance, so as to change the definition of small business; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Thompson of the 14th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 611:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to small business assistance, so as to change the definition of small business; to provide for data sharing; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Economic Development, so as to define innovation, innovative product or service, and startup; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to small business assistance, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of Code Section 50-5-121, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(3) 'Small business' means a business which is independently owned and operated~~. In addition, such business must have either~~ and:

(A) Tier one: has ten or fewer employees or $1 million or less in gross receipts per year;

(B) Tier two: has 100 or fewer employees or $10 million or less in gross receipts per year; or

(C) Tier three: has ~~fewer than~~ 300 or fewer employees or ~~less than~~ $30 million or less in gross receipts per year."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended in Code Section 50-5-122, relating to legislative intent, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(c) Every state agency, office, board, bureau, commission, public corporation, institution, authority, or other entity of this state, including but not limited to the Department of Labor and the Department of Revenue, is authorized to provide data related to Georgia resident businesses and small businesses to the department, subject to any confidentiality requirements otherwise provided by law, to be utilized for the purpose of effectuating the legislative intent as set forth in this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 7 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Economic Development, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-7-90.

As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Innovation' means the use or incorporation of a new idea, a new or emerging technology, or a new use of existing technology to address a problem, provide a benefit, or otherwise offer a product or service.

(2) 'Innovative product or service' means a product or service that includes an innovation.

(3) 'Startup' means an entity that:

(A) Once it is operational, intends to:

(i) Offer an innovative product or service as its principal function;

(ii) Be registered as a business entity in Georgia; and

(iii) Have its principal place of business in Georgia; and

(B) Was created or developed by one or more individuals who have never owned, directly or indirectly, more than 25 percent of any business that has had more than

$100,000.00 in gross receipts in a single year."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 611, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

At 2:09 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 2:39 p.m.

At 3:04 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 202. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot; to require certain comparisons to remove improper names from mail distribution lists; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Calendar was resumed.

HR 282. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th and Ralston of the 7th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Sydnie Grace Jones and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 46, nays 0.

HR 282, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HB 68. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Belton of the 112th, Blackmon of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Thompson of the 14th.

The Senate Committee on Veterans, Military and Homeland Security offered the following substitute to HB 68:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of professions and businesses, so as to provide for individuals who move to the state and establish residency to obtain a license by endorsement to practice certain professions and occupations in this state; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions of professions and businesses, is amended by revising Code Section 43-1-34.1, relating to expedited license by endorsement for military spouses, as follows:

"43-1-34.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'License' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(2) 'Military' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(3) 'Other board' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(4) 'Service member' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(5) 'State' means a state of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the United States Virgin Islands, or any territory or insular possession subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

(6) 'Transitioning service member' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-1-34.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a professional licensing board or other board shall issue an expedited license by endorsement to any individual that:

(1) Is a spouse of a service member or transitioning service member stationed within this state;

(2) Holds a current license to practice such occupation or profession issued by another state for which the training, experience, and testing are substantially similar in qualifications and scope to the requirements under this state to obtain a license;

(3) Is in good standing in such other state; and

(4) Passes any examination that may only be required to demonstrate knowledge of the laws and rules and regulations of this state specific to the practice of the profession, business, or trade for which such expedited license by endorsement is being sought.

(c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, a professional licensing board or other board shall issue a license by endorsement for any license other than those provided to dentists under Chapter 11 or to physicians or osteopaths under Chapter 34 of this title to any individual that:

(1) Moves from another state and establishes residency in this state;

(2) Holds a current license to practice such occupation or profession issued by another state that was acquired prior to moving from another state and establishing residency in this state for which the training, experience, and testing are substantially similar in qualifications and scope to the requirements under this state to obtain a license;

(3) Is in good standing in such other state and is not the subject of an investigation being conducted by a professional licensing board or other board in such other state; and

(4) Passes any examination that may only be required to demonstrate knowledge of the laws and rules and regulations of this state specific to the practice of the

profession, business, or trade for which such license by endorsement is being sought.

~~(c)~~(d) Nothing contained in this Code section shall be construed to invalidate, override, or amend any licensing compact entered into by the State of Georgia or to permit the issuance of a license without verification under Code Section 50-36-1."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Jones of the 10th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the Senate Committee on Veterans, Military, and Homeland Security substitute to HB 68 (LC 36 4805S) by replacing lines 1 through 4 with the following:*

To amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide for individuals who move to the state and establish residency to obtain a license by endorsement to practice certain professions and occupations in this state; to provide for requirements; to authorize the Georgia Board of Nursing to require the collection of certain workforce data; to provide for related

*By replacing lines 8 through 9 with the following:*

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended by revising Code Section 43-1-34.1,

*By redesignating Section 3 as Section 4 and inserting between lines 50 and 51 the following:*

Said title is further amended by adding a new paragraph to subsection (a) of Code Section 43-26-5, relating to general powers and responsibilities of the Georgia Board of Nursing, to read as follows:

"(20.1) Be authorized to require the collection of workforce data from applicants when issuing and renewing licenses under this chapter;"

**SECTION 3.**

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Jackson amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute,

was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 68, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 202. By Senators Burns of the 23rd, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th, Anderson of the 24th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to provide that persons or entities that mail absentee ballot applications shall mail such applications only to eligible registered electors who have not already requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot; to require certain comparisons to remove improper names from mail distribution lists; to provide for sanctions for violations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE TO SENATE BILL 202

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To comprehensively revise elections and voting; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, so as to revise a definition; to provide for the establishment of a voter intimidation and illegal election activities hotline; to limit the ability of the State Election Board and the Secretary of State to enter into certain consent agreements, settlements, and consent orders; to provide that the Secretary of State shall be a nonvoting ex officio member of the State Election Board; to provide for the appointment, confirmation, term, and removal of the chairperson of the State Election Board; to revise provisions relating to a quorum of such board; to require the Secretary of State to support and assist the State Election Board; to provide for the appointment of temporary and permanent replacement superintendents; to provide for procedures; to provide for performance reviews of local election officials requested by the State Election Board or local governing authorities; to provide for a definition; to provide for appointment and duties of performance review boards; to provide for reports of performance review boards; to provide for promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide additional requirements on the State Election Board's power to adopt emergency rules and regulations; to provide that no election superintendents or boards of registrars shall accept private funding; to provide that the State Election Board shall develop methods for distribution of donations; to provide that certain persons may serve as poll workers in other than the county of their residence; to provide for the appointment of acting election superintendents in the event of a vacancy or incapacitation in the office of judge of the probate court of counties without a board of elections; to provide for resumption of the duties of election superintendent upon the filling of such vacancy; to provide for the compensation of such acting election superintendents; to provide for the reduction in size of certain precincts under certain circumstances; to provide for notice when polling places are relocated; to provide for certain reports; to provide limitations on the use of buses and other moveable facilities; to provide that the name and designation of the precinct appears on every ballot; to provide for allocation of voting equipment by counties and municipalities; to provide for the manner of handling the death of a candidate prior to a nonpartisan election; to provide that no candidate shall take or be sworn into any elected public office unless such candidate has received a majority of the votes cast for such office except as otherwise provided by law; to provide for participation in a multistate voter registration system; to revise procedures and standards for challenging electors; to provide for the printing of ballots on safety paper; to provide for the time and manner for applying for absentee ballots; to provide for certain limitations and sanctions on the distribution of absentee ballot applications; to provide for the manner of processing of absentee ballot applications; to provide for absentee ballot drop boxes and the requirements therefor; to

provide for the time and manner of issuing absentee ballots; to provide for the manner of voting and returning absentee ballots; to revise the times for advance voting; to limit changes to advance voting locations in the period prior to an election; to provide notice requirements for changes of advance voting locations; to provide for the processing and tabulation of absentee ballots; to provide sanctions for improperly opening an absentee ballot; to provide for certain elector identification for absentee balloting; to provide for monitors and observers; to provide for poll watcher training; to provide for restrictions on the distribution of certain items within close proximity to the polls on election days; to provide for the voting and processing of provisional ballots; to provide for duplication panels for defective ballots that cannot be processed by tabulating machines; to provide for ranked choice voting for military and overseas voters; to revise the time for runoffs; to revise eligibility to vote in runoffs; to provide for the deadline for election certification; to provide for a pilot program for the scanning and publishing of ballots; to provide for the inspection and copying of original ballots by certain persons following the completion of a recount; to provide for special primaries and special elections to fill vacancies in certain offices; to provide for public notice and observation of preparation of voting equipment; to provide for observation of elections and ballot processing and counting; to provide for the filling of vacancies in certain offices; to prohibit observing or attempting to observe how a voter marks or has marked his or her ballot or inducing a voter to do so; to prohibit the acceptance of a ballot for return without authorization; to prohibit the photographing or other recording of ballots and ballot markers; to amend Chapter 35 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to home rule powers, so as to provide for the delay of reapportionment of municipal corporation election districts when census numbers are delayed; to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding state government, so as to provide for the submission and suspension of emergency rules by the State Election Board; to provide that scanned ballot images are public records; to provide for legislative findings; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Election Integrity Act of 2021."

**SECTION 2.**

The General Assembly finds and declares that:

(1) Following the 2018 and 2020 elections, there was a significant lack of confidence in Georgia election systems, with many electors concerned about allegations of rampant voter suppression and many electors concerned about allegations of rampant voter fraud;

(2) Many Georgia election processes were challenged in court, including the subjective signature-matching requirements, by Georgians on all sides of the political spectrum

before and after the 2020 general election;
(3) The stress of the 2020 elections, with a dramatic increase in absentee-by-mail ballots and pandemic restrictions, demonstrated where there were opportunities to update existing processes to reduce the burden on election officials and boost voter confidence;
(4) The changes made in this legislation in 2021 are designed to address the lack of elector confidence in the election system on all sides of the political spectrum, to reduce the burden on election officials, and to streamline the process of conducting elections in Georgia by promoting uniformity in voting. Several examples will help explain how these goals are achieved;
(5) The broad discretion allowed to local officials for advance voting dates and hours led to significant variations across the state in total number of hours of advance voting, depending on the county. More than 100 counties have never offered voting on Sunday and many counties offered only a single day of weekend voting. Requiring two Saturday voting days and two optional Sunday voting days will dramatically increase the total voting hours for voters across the State of Georgia, and all electors in Georgia will have access to multiple opportunities to vote in person on the weekend for the first time;
(6) Some counties in 2020 received significant infusions of grant funding for election operations, while other counties received no such funds. Promoting uniformity in the distribution of funds to election operations will boost voter confidence and ensure that there is no political advantage conferred by preferring certain counties over others in the distribution of funds;
(7) Elections in Georgia are administered by counties, but that can lead to problems for voters in counties with dysfunctional election systems. Counties with long-term problems of lines, problems with processing of absentee ballots, and other challenges in administration need accountability, but state officials are limited in what they are able to do to address those problems. Ensuring there is a mechanism to address local election problems will promote voter confidence and meet the goal of uniformity;
(8) Elections are a public process and public participation is encouraged by all involved, but the enthusiasm of some outside groups in sending multiple absentee ballot applications in 2020, often with incorrectly filled-in voter information, led to significant confusion by electors. Clarifying the rules regarding absentee ballot applications will build elector confidence while not sacrificing the opportunities for electors to participate in the process;
(9) The lengthy absentee ballot process also led to elector confusion, including electors who were told they had already voted when they arrived to vote in person. Creating a definite period of absentee voting will assist electors in understanding the election process while also ensuring that opportunities to vote are not diminished, especially when many absentee ballots issued in the last few days before the election were not successfully voted or were returned late;
(10) Opportunities for delivering absentee ballots to a drop box were first created by the State Election Board as a pandemic response. The drop boxes created by rule no

longer existed in Georgia law when the emergency rules that created them expired. The General Assembly considered a variety of options and constructed a system that allows the use of drop boxes, while also ensuring the security of the system and providing options in emergency situations;

(11) The lengthy nine-week runoffs in 2020 were exhausting for candidates, donors, and electors. By adding ranked choice voting for military and overseas voters, the run-off period can be shortened to a more manageable period for all involved, easing the burden on election officials and on electors;

(12) Counting absentee ballots in 2020 took an incredibly long time in some counties. Creating processes for early processing and scanning of absentee ballots will promote elector confidence by ensuring that results are reported quickly;

(13) The sanctity of the precinct was also brought into sharp focus in 2020, with many groups approaching electors while they waited in line. Protecting electors from improper interference, political pressure, or intimidation while waiting in line to vote is of paramount importance to protecting the election system and ensuring elector confidence;

(14) Ballot duplication for provisional ballots and other purposes places a heavy burden on election officials. The number of duplicated ballots has continued to rise dramatically from 2016 through 2020. Reducing the number of duplicated ballots will significantly reduce the burden on election officials and creating bipartisan panels to conduct duplication will promote elector confidence;

(15) Electors voting out of precinct add to the burden on election officials and lines for other electors because of the length of time it takes to process a provisional ballot in a precinct. Electors should be directed to the correct precinct on election day to ensure that they are able to vote in all elections for which they are eligible;

(16) In considering the changes in 2021, the General Assembly heard hours of testimony from electors, election officials, and attorneys involved in voting. The General Assembly made significant modifications through the legislative process as it weighed the various interests involved, including adding further weekend voting, changing parameters for out-of-precinct voting, and adding transparency for ballot images; and

(17) While each of the changes in this legislation in 2021 stands alone and is severable under Code Section 1-1-3, the changes in total reflect the General Assembly's considered judgment on the changes required to Georgia's election system to make it "easy to vote and hard to cheat," applying the lessons learned from conducting an election in the 2020 pandemic.

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elections and primaries generally, is amended by revising paragraph (35) of Code Section 21-2-2, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(35) 'Superintendent' means:

(A) Either the judge of the probate court of a county or the county board of

elections, the county board of elections and registration, the joint city-county board of elections, or the joint city-county board of elections and registration, if a county has such;

(B) In the case of a municipal primary, the municipal executive committee of the political party holding the primary within a municipality or its agent or, if none, the county executive committee of the political party or its agent;

(C) In the case of a nonpartisan municipal primary, the person appointed by the proper municipal executive committee; ~~and~~

(D) In the case of a municipal election, the person appointed by the governing authority pursuant to the authority granted in Code Section 21-2-70; and

(E) In the case of the State Election Board exercising its powers under subsection (f) of Code Section 21-2-33.1, the individual appointed by the State Election Board to exercise the power of election superintendent."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-3, which was previously reserved, as follows:

"21-2-3.

The Attorney General shall have the authority to establish and maintain a telephone hotline for the use of electors of this state to file complaints and allegations of voter intimidation and illegal election activities. Such hotline shall, in addition to complaints and reports from identified persons, also accept anonymous tips regarding voter intimidation and election fraud. The Attorney General shall have the authority to review each complaint or allegation of voter intimidation or illegal election activities within three business days or as expeditiously as possible and determine if such complaint or report should be investigated or prosecuted. ~~Reserved.~~"

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-30 relating to creation, composition, terms of service, vacancies, quorum, seal, bylaws, and meetings of the State Board of Elections as follows:

"21-2-30.

(a) There is created a state board to be known as the State Election Board, to be composed of ~~the Secretary of State~~ a chairperson elected by the General Assembly, an elector to be elected by a majority vote of the Senate of the General Assembly at its regular session held in each odd-numbered year, an elector to be elected by a majority vote of the House of Representatives of the General Assembly at its regular session held in each odd-numbered year, and a member of each political party to be nominated and appointed in the manner provided in this Code section. No person while a member of the General Assembly shall serve as a member of the board.

(a.1)(1) The chairperson shall be elected by the General Assembly in the following manner: A joint resolution which shall fix a definite time for the nomination and election of the chairperson may be introduced in either branch of the General

Assembly. Upon passage of the resolution by a majority vote of the membership of the Senate and House of Representatives, it shall be the duty of the Speaker of the House of Representatives to call for the nomination and election of the chairperson at the time specified in the resolution, at which time the name of the qualified person receiving a majority vote of the membership of the House of Representatives shall be transmitted to the Senate for confirmation. Upon the qualified person's receiving a majority vote of the membership of the Senate, he or she shall be declared the duly elected chairperson; and the Governor shall be notified of his or her election by the Secretary of the Senate. The Governor is directed to administer the oath of office to the chairperson and to furnish the chairperson with a properly executed commission of office certifying his or her election.

(2) The chairperson of the board shall be nonpartisan. At no time during his or her service as chairperson shall the chairperson actively participate in a political party organization or in the campaign of a candidate for public office, nor shall he or she make any campaign contributions to a candidate for public office. Furthermore, to qualify for appointment as chairperson, in the two years immediately preceding his or her appointment, a person shall not have qualified as a partisan candidate for public office, participated in a political party organization or the campaign of a partisan candidate for public office, or made any campaign contributions to a partisan candidate for public office.

(3) The term of office of the chairperson shall continue until a successor is elected as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection. In the event of a vacancy in the position of chairperson at a time when the General Assembly is not in session, it shall be the duty of the Governor and the Governor is empowered and directed to appoint a chairperson possessing the qualifications as provided in this subsection who shall serve as chairperson until the next regular session of the General Assembly, at which time the nomination and election of a chairperson shall be held by the General Assembly as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(b) A member elected by a house of the General Assembly shall take office on the day following the adjournment of the regular session in which elected and shall serve for a term of two years and until his or her successor is elected and qualified, unless sooner removed. An elected member of the board may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the house which elected him or her. In the event a vacancy should occur in the office of such a member of the board at a time when the General Assembly is not in session, then the President of the Senate shall thereupon appoint an elector to fill the vacancy if the prior incumbent of such office was elected by the Senate or appointed by the President of the Senate; and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall thereupon appoint an elector to fill the vacancy if the prior incumbent of such office was elected by the House of Representatives or appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. A member appointed to fill a vacancy may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the house whose presiding officer appointed him or her.

(c) Within 30 days after April 3, 1968, the state executive committee of each political party shall nominate a member of its party to serve as a member of the State Election

Board and, thereupon, the Governor shall appoint such nominee as a member of the board to serve for a term of two years from the date of the appointment and until his or her successor is elected and qualified, unless sooner removed. Thereafter, such state executive committee shall select a nominee for such office on the board within 30 days after a vacancy occurs in such office and shall also select a nominee at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the term of each incumbent nominated by it; and each such nominee shall be immediately appointed by the Governor as a member of the board to serve for the unexpired term in the case of a vacancy, and for a term of two years in the case of an expired term. Each successor, other than one appointed to serve an unexpired term, shall serve for a term of two years; and the terms shall run consecutively from the date of the initial gubernatorial appointment. No person shall be eligible for nomination by such state executive committee unless he or she is an elector and a member in good standing of the political party of the committee. Such a member shall cease to serve on the board and his or her office shall be abolished if and when his or her political organization shall cease to be a 'political party' as defined in Code Section 21-2-2.

(d) The Secretary of State shall be ~~the chairperson of the board~~ an ex officio nonvoting member of the board. Three voting members of the board shall constitute a quorum, and no vacancy on the board shall impair the right of the quorum to exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the board. The board shall adopt a seal for its use and bylaws for its own government and procedure.

(e) Meetings shall be held whenever necessary for the performance of the duties of the board on call of the chairperson or whenever any two of its members so request. Minutes shall be kept of all meetings of the board and a record kept of the vote of each member on all questions coming before the board. The chairperson shall give to each member of the board prior notice of the time and place of each meeting of the board.

(f) If any member of the board, other than the Secretary of State, shall qualify as a candidate for any public office which is to be voted upon in any primary or election regulated by the board, that member's position on the board shall be immediately vacated and such vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided for filling other vacancies on the board."

**SECTION 6.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-33.1, relating to enforcement of chapter, by adding new subsections to read as follows:

"(f) After following the procedures set forth in Code Section 21-2-33.2, the State Election Board may suspend county or municipal superintendents and appoint an individual to serve as the temporary superintendent in a jurisdiction. Such individual shall exercise all the powers and duties of a superintendent as provided by law, including the authority to make all personnel decisions related to any employees of the jurisdiction who assist with carrying out the duties of the superintendent, including, but not limited to, the director of elections, the election supervisor, and all poll officers.

(g) At no time shall the State Election Board suspend more than four county or

municipal superintendents pursuant to subsection (f) of this Code section.

(h) The Secretary of State shall, upon the request of the State Election Board, provide any and all necessary support and assistance that the State Election Board, in its sole discretion, determines is necessary to enforce this chapter or to carry out or conduct any of its duties."

**SECTION 7.**

Such chapter is further amended in Subpart 1 of Part 1 of Article 2, relating to the State Election Board, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-33.2.

(a) The governing authority of a county or municipality, as applicable, following a recommendation based on an investigation by a performance review board pursuant to Code Section 21-2-106 may petition the State Election Board, through the Secretary of State, for extraordinary relief pursuant to this Code section. In addition, the State Election Board, on its own motion or following a recommendation based on an investigation by a performance review board pursuant to Part 5 of this article, may pursue the extraordinary relief provided in this Code section.

(b) Upon receiving a petition or taking appropriate action pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the State Election Board shall conduct a preliminary investigation to determine if sufficient cause exists to proceed to a full hearing on the petition. Such preliminary investigation shall be followed by a preliminary hearing which shall take place not less than 30 days nor more than 90 days after the Secretary of State receives the petition. Service of the petition shall be made by hand delivery or by statutory overnight delivery to the Secretary of State's office. At such preliminary hearing, the State Election Board shall determine if sufficient cause exists to proceed to a full hearing on the petition or if the petition should be dismissed. The State Election Board shall promulgate rules and regulations for conducting such preliminary investigation and preliminary hearing.

(c) Following the preliminary hearing described in subsection (b) of this Code section, the State Election Board may suspend a county or municipal superintendent pursuant to this Code section if at least three members of the board find, after notice and hearing, that:

(1) By a preponderance of the evidence, a county or municipal superintendent has committed at least three violations of this title or of State Election Board rules and regulations, in the last two general election cycles; and the county or municipal superintendent has not sufficiently remedied the violations; or

(2) By clear and convincing evidence, the county or municipal superintendent has, for at least two elections within a two-year period, demonstrated nonfeasance, malfeasance, or gross negligence in the administration of the elections.

(d) A majority of the members of a board of elections, board of elections and registration, or county commission; a probate judge who serves as election superintendent, or, for a sole commissioner form of government, a sole commissioner may petition the Secretary of State to continue any hearing scheduled pursuant to this

Code section. Upon a showing of good cause, the State Election Board may in its sound discretion continue any such hearing. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, deliberations held on such petition by the State Election Board shall not be open to the public; provided, however, that testimony shall be taken in an open meeting and a vote on the recommendation shall be taken in an open meeting following the hearing or at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

(e)(1) If the State Election Board makes a finding in accordance with subsection (c) of this Code section, it may suspend the superintendent or board of registrars with pay and appoint an individual to serve as the temporary superintendent. The temporary superintendent who is appointed shall be otherwise qualified to serve or meet the necessary qualifications within three months of appointment.

(2) Any superintendent suspended under this Code section may petition the State Election Board for reinstatement no earlier than 30 days following suspension and no later than 60 days following suspension. In the event that a suspended superintendent or registrar does not petition for reinstatement within the allotted time period, his or her suspension shall be converted into permanent removal, and the temporary superintendent shall become a permanent superintendent subject to removal by the jurisdiction not less than nine months after his or her appointment.

(3) If, after the expiration of the nine-month period following the appointment, the jurisdiction removes the permanent superintendent, any provisions of local or general law governing appointment of the superintendent shall govern the appointment of the superintendent.

(4) If, at any time after the expiration of the nine-month period following the appointment, at least three members of the State Election Board find, after notice and hearing, that the jurisdiction no longer requires a superintendent appointed under this Code section, any provisions of local or general law governing appointment of the superintendent shall govern the appointment of the superintendent.

(f) Upon petition for reinstatement by a superintendent suspended pursuant to a finding under paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of this Code section, the State Election Board shall conduct a hearing for the purpose of receiving evidence relative to whether the superintendent's continued service as superintendent is more likely than not to improve the ability of the jurisdiction to conduct elections in a manner that complies with this chapter. The suspended superintendent shall be given at least 30 days' notice prior to such hearing and such hearing shall be held no later than 90 days after the petition is filed in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' except that the State Election Board shall have the power to call witnesses and request documents on its own initiative. If the State Election Board denies the petition, it shall be deemed a final agency decision under Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' and it may be appealed in a manner consistent with Code Section 50-13-19. The Attorney General or his or her designee shall represent the interests of the State Election Board in any such judicial review.

(g) A local government shall not expend any public funds for attorneys' fees or expenses of litigation relating to the proceedings initiated pursuant to this Code section

except to the extent such fees and expenses are incurred prior to and through the recommendation of the State Election Board as provided in subsection (c) of this Code section; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prohibit an insurance provider from covering attorneys' fees or expenses of litigation under an insurance policy. Any suspended superintendent who is reinstated by the State Election Board pursuant to this Code section may be reimbursed by the local government for his or her reasonable attorneys' fees and related expenses incurred in pursuing such reinstatement.

(h) For purposes of this Code section, where a judge of probate court serves as the superintendent, the suspension authorized by this Code section shall apply only to the judge of probate court's duties as a superintendent and not as a judge of probate court.

(i) When the State Election Board exercises its authority under subsection (f) of Code Section 21-2-33.1, the jurisdiction involved shall not diminish or reduce the funds already budgeted or appropriated by the jurisdiction pursuant to Code Section 21-2-71 and shall pay any necessary and reasonable funds over that amount, as determined by the temporary superintendent, to faithfully carry out their obligations under Code Section 21-2-70."0

**SECTION 8.**

Said chapter is further amended in Subpart 1 of Part 1 of Article 2, relating to the State Election Board, by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"21-2-35.

(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, Chapter 3 of Title 38, relating to emergency management, or Chapter 13 of Title 50, the "Georgia Administrative Procedure Act," to the contrary, the State Election Board may only adopt emergency rules or regulations in circumstances of imminent peril to public health, safety, or welfare. To adopt any such emergency rule or regulation, in addition to any other rule-making requirement of this chapter or Chapter 13 of Title 50, the State Election Board shall:

(1) Give notice to the public of its intended action;

(2) Immediately upon the setting of the date and time of the meeting at which such emergency rule or regulation is to be considered give notice by email of its intended action to:

(A) The Governor;

(B) The Lieutenant Governor;

(C) The Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(D) The chairpersons of the standing committees of each house of the General Assembly tasked with election matters;

(E) Legislative counsel; and

(F) The chief executive officer of each political party registered pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-110; and

(3) State in the notices required by paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection the nature of the emergency and the manner in which such emergency represents an

imminent peril to public health, safety, or welfare.
(b) Upon adoption or promulgation of any emergency rule or regulation pursuant to this Code section, a majority of the State Election Board shall certify in writing that such emergency rule or regulation was made in strict and exact compliance with the provisions of this chapter and subsection (e) of Code Section 50-13-4.
(c) In the event of any conflict between this Code section and any provision of Chapter 13 of Title 50, this Code section shall govern and supersede any such conflicting provision.

21-2-36.
The State Election Board, the members thereof, the Secretary of State, and any of their attorneys or staff, at least five business days prior to entering into any consent agreement, settlement, or consent order that limits, alters, or interprets any provision of this chapter, shall notify the House of Representatives and Senate Committees on the Judiciary of such proposed consent agreement, settlement, or consent order."

**SECTION 9.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-71, relating to payment by county or municipality of superintendent's expenses, as follows:

"21-2-71.
(a) The governing authority of each county or municipality shall appropriate annually and from time to time, to the superintendent of such county or municipality, the funds that it shall deem necessary for the conduct of primaries and elections in such county or municipality and for the performance of his or her other duties under this chapter, including:
(1) Compensation of the poll officers, custodians, and other assistants and employees provided for in this chapter;
(2) Expenditures and contracts for expenditures by the superintendent for polling places;
(3) Purchase or printing, under contracts made by the superintendent, of all ballots and other election supplies required by this chapter, or which the superintendent shall consider necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter;
(4) Maintenance of all voting equipment required by this chapter, or which the superintendent shall consider necessary to carry out this chapter; and
(5) All other expenses arising out of the performance of his or her duties under this chapter.
(b) No superintendent shall take or accept any funding, grants, or gifts from any source other than from the governing authority of the county or municipality, the State of Georgia, or the federal government.
(c) The State Election Board shall study and report to the General Assembly a proposed method for accepting donations intended to facilitate the administration of elections and a method for an equitable distribution of such donations state wide by October 1, 2021."

**SECTION 10.**

Said chapter is further amended in Part 3 of Article 2, relating to superintendents, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-74.1.

(a) If a county does not have a board of elections and:

(1) There is a vacancy in the office of judge of the probate court that has not been filled pursuant to Code Section 15-9-10 or 15-9-11; or

(2) The judge of the probate court is incapacitated and unable to perform the duties of the election superintendent for a period of more than five days;

The chief judge of the superior court in the circuit to which the county is assigned shall appoint a qualified individual to serve as the acting election superintendent during such vacancy or incapacitation.

(b) Upon the filling of a vacancy in the office of judge of the probate court pursuant to Code Section 15-9-10 or 15-9-11, the judge of the probate court shall resume the duties of the election superintendent.

(c) The sole county commissioner or the board of county commissioners shall fix the compensation of the individual who serves as acting election superintendent until the vacancy is filled or the incapacitation ends. The compensation shall be paid from the general funds of the county."

**SECTION 11.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-92, relating to qualifications of poll officers, service during municipal election or primary, and Student Teen Election Participant (STEP) program, as follows:

"(a)(1) Poll officers appointed pursuant to Code Sections 21-2-90 and 21-2-91 shall be judicious, intelligent, and upright citizens of the United States, residents of or otherwise employed by the county in which they are appointed except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection or, in the case of municipal elections, residents of or otherwise employed by the municipality in which the election is to be held or of the county in which that municipality is located, 16 years of age or over, and shall be able to read, write, and speak the English language. No poll officer shall be eligible for any nomination for public office or to be voted for at a primary or election at which the poll officer shall serve. No person who is otherwise holding public office, other than a political party office, shall be eligible to be appointed as or to serve as a poll officer. A parent, spouse, child, brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law of a candidate shall not be eligible to serve as a poll officer in any precinct in which such candidate's name appears on the ballot in any primary or election.

(2) A poll officer may be allowed to serve in a county that adjoins the county in which such poll officer resides if, in the discretion of the election superintendent of the county in which such person resides, the waiver of such county residency or county employment requirements of paragraph (1) of this subsection do not impair the

ability of the county to provide adequate staff for the performance of election duties under this chapter and if, in the discretion of the county election superintendent in which such person wishes to serve, sufficient need for more poll officers exists."

**SECTION 12.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 2, relating to supervisory boards and officers, by adding a new part to read as follows:

"Part 5

21-2-105.

As used in this part, the term 'local election official' means:

(1) A county board of elections or a county board of elections and registration established pursuant to Code Section 21-2-40;

(2) A judge of the probate court fulfilling the role of election superintendent; or

(3) A municipal election superintendent.

21-2-106.

(a) The following officials may request that a performance review of a local election official be conducted:

(1) The governing authority of the same jurisdiction as the local election official;

(2) For counties represented by more than three members of the Georgia House of Representatives and Georgia Senate, at least two members of the Georgia House of Representatives and two members of the Georgia Senate who represent the county; and

(3) For counties represented by fewer than four members of the Georgia House of Representatives and Georgia Senate, at least one member of the Georgia House of Representatives and one member of the Georgia Senate who represent the county.

Such request shall be transmitted to the State Election Board which shall appoint an independent performance review board within 30 days after receiving such resolution. The State Election Board shall appoint three competent persons to serve as members of the performance review board, one of whom shall be an employee of the elections division of the Secretary of State and two of whom shall be local election officials, provided that no such appointee shall be a local election official for the county or municipality, as applicable, under review.

(b) It shall be the duty of a performance review board to make a thorough and complete investigation of the local election official with respect to all actions of the local election official regarding the technical competency in the maintenance and operation of election equipment, proper administration and oversight of registration and elections, and compliance with state law and regulations. The performance review board shall issue a written report of its findings to the Secretary of State, the State Election Board, and the local governing authority which shall include such evaluations, judgments, and recommendations as it deems appropriate. The local governing

authority shall reimburse the members of the performance review board for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, including mileage, meals, lodging, and costs of materials.

(c) The findings of the report of the review board under subsection (b) of this Code section or of any audit or investigation performed by the State Election Board may be grounds for removal of one or more local election officials pursuant to Code Section 21-2-33.2.

21-2-107.

(a) The State Election Board shall appoint an independent performance review board on its own motion if it determines that there is evidence which calls into question the competence of a local election official regarding the oversight and administration of elections, voter registration, or both, with state law and regulations.

(b) The State Election Board shall appoint three competent persons to serve as members of the performance review board, one of whom shall be an employee of the elections division of the office of Secretary of State and two of whom shall be local election officials, provided that none of the three appointees shall be a local election official for the county or municipality under review.

(c) The performance review board shall issue a written report of its findings to the State Election Board and the Secretary of State and the applicable local governing authority, which shall include such evaluations, judgments, and recommendations as it deems appropriate. The local governing authority shall reimburse the members of the performance review board for reasonable expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, including mileage, meals, lodging, and costs of materials.

(d) The findings of the report of the performance review board under subsection (c) of this Code section or of any audit or investigation performed by the State Election Board may be grounds for removal of a local election official pursuant to Code Section 21-2-33.2.

21-2-108.

The State Election Board shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary for the administration of this part."

**SECTION 13.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-134, relating to withdrawal, death, or disqualification of candidate for office, return of qualifying fee, and nomination certificate, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(g) In the event of the death of a candidate on the ballot in a nonpartisan election prior to such nonpartisan election, such candidate's name shall remain on the ballot and all votes cast for such candidate shall be counted. If the deceased candidate receives the requisite number of votes to be elected, such contest shall be handled as a failure to fill the office under Code Section 21-2-504. If the deceased candidate receives enough votes to be in a run-off election, such run-off election shall be conducted as provided in

Code Section 21-2-501 and the candidates in such runoff shall be determined in accordance with paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-501."

**SECTION 14.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (f) of Code Section 21-2-212, relating to county registrars, appointment, certification, term of service, vacancies, compensation and expenses of chief registrar, registrars, and other officers and employees, and budget estimates, as follows:

"(f) The board of registrars of each county shall prepare annually a budget estimate in which it shall set forth an itemized list of its expenditures for the preceding two years and an itemized estimate of the amount of money necessary to be appropriated for the ensuing year and shall submit the same at the time and in the manner and form other county budget estimates are required to be filed. No board of registrars shall take or accept any funding, grants, or gifts from any source other than from the governing authority of the county, the State of Georgia, or the federal government."

**SECTION 15.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-229, relating to challenge of applicant for registration by other electors, notice and hearing, and right of appeal, as follows:

"21-2-229.

(a) Any elector of a county or municipality may challenge the qualifications of any person applying to register to vote in the county or municipality and may challenge the qualifications of any elector of the county or municipality whose name appears on the list of electors. Such challenges shall be in writing and shall specify distinctly the grounds of the challenge. There shall not be a limit on the number of persons whose qualifications such elector may challenge.

(b) Upon such challenge being filed with the board of registrars, the registrars shall set a hearing on such challenge within ten business days after serving notice of the challenge. Notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing shall be served upon the person whose qualifications are being challenged along with a copy of such challenge and upon the elector making the challenge within ten business days following the filing of the challenge. The person being challenged shall receive at least three days' notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing. Such notice shall be served either by first-class mail addressed to the mailing address shown on the person's voter registration records or in the manner provided in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-228.

(c) The burden shall be on the elector making the challenge to prove that the person being challenged is not qualified to remain on the list of electors. The board of registrars shall have the authority to issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, papers, and other material upon application by the person whose qualifications are being challenged or the elector making the challenge. The party requesting such subpoenas shall be responsible to serve such subpoenas and, if necessary, to enforce the subpoenas by application to the superior court. Any witness

so subpoenaed, and after attending, shall be allowed and paid the same mileage and fee as allowed and paid witnesses in civil actions in the superior court.

(d) After the hearing provided for in this Code section, the registrars shall determine said challenge and shall notify the parties of their decision. If the registrars uphold the challenge, the person's application for registration shall be rejected or the person's name removed from the list of electors, as appropriate. The elector shall be notified of such decision in writing either by first-class mail addressed to the mailing address shown on the person's voter registration records or in the manner provided in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-228 for other notices.

(e) Either party shall have a right of appeal from the decision of the registrars to the superior court by filing a petition with the clerk of the superior court within ten days after the date of the decision of the registrars. A copy of such petition shall be served upon the other parties and the registrars. Unless and until the decision of the registrars is reversed by the court, the decision of the registrars shall stand.

(f) Failure to comply with the provisions of this Code section by the board of registrars shall subject such board to sanctions by the State Election Board."

**SECTION 16.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-230, relating to challenge of persons on list of electors by other electors, procedure;, hearing, and right of appeal, as follows:

"21-2-230.

(a) Any elector of the county or municipality may challenge the right of any other elector of the county or municipality, whose name appears on the list of electors, to vote in an election. Such challenge shall be in writing and specify distinctly the grounds of such challenge. Such challenge may be made at any time prior to the elector whose right to vote is being challenged voting at the elector's polling place or, if such elector cast an absentee ballot, prior to 5:00 P.M. on the day before the ~~election~~ absentee ballots are to begin to be scanned and tabulated; provided, however, that challenges to persons voting by absentee ballot in person at the office of the registrars or the absentee ballot clerk shall be made prior to such person's voting. There shall not be a limit on the number of persons whose qualifications such elector may challenge.

(b) Upon the filing of such challenge, the board of registrars shall immediately consider such challenge and determine whether probable cause exists to sustain such challenge. If the registrars do not find probable cause, the challenge shall be denied. If the registrars find probable cause, the registrars shall notify the poll officers of the challenged elector's precinct or, if the challenged elector voted by absentee ballot, notify the poll officers at the absentee ballot precinct and, if practical, notify the challenged elector and afford such elector an opportunity to answer.

(c) If the challenged elector appears at the polling place to vote, such elector shall be given the opportunity to appear before the registrars and answer the grounds of the challenge.

(d) If the challenged elector does not cast an absentee ballot and does not appear at the

polling place to vote and if the challenge is based on grounds other than the qualifications of the elector to remain on the list of electors, no further action by the registrars shall be required.

(e) If the challenged elector cast an absentee ballot and it is not practical to conduct a hearing prior to the close of the polls and the challenge is based upon grounds other than the qualifications of the elector to remain on the list of electors, the absentee ballot shall be treated as a challenged ballot pursuant to subsection (e) of Code Section 21-2-386. No further action by the registrars shall be required.

(f) If the challenged elector does not cast an absentee ballot and does not appear at the polling place to vote and the challenge is based on the grounds that the elector is not qualified to remain on the list of electors, the board of registrars shall proceed to hear the challenge pursuant to Code Section 21-2-229.

(g) If the challenged elector cast an absentee ballot and the challenge is based upon grounds that the challenged elector is not qualified to remain on the list of electors, the board of registrars shall proceed to conduct a hearing on the challenge on an expedited basis prior to the certification of the consolidated returns of the election by the election superintendent. The election superintendent shall not certify such consolidated returns until such hearing is complete and the registrars have rendered their decision on the challenge. If the registrars deny the challenge, the superintendent shall proceed to certify the consolidated returns. If the registrars uphold the challenge, the name of the challenged elector shall be removed from the list of electors and the ballot of the challenged elector shall be rejected and not counted and, if necessary, the returns shall be adjusted to remove any votes cast by such elector. The elector making the challenge and the challenged elector may appeal the decision of the registrars in the same manner as provided in subsection (e) of Code Section 21-2-229.

(h) If the challenged elector appears at the polls to vote and it is practical to conduct a hearing on the challenge prior to the close of the polls, the registrars shall conduct such hearing and determine the merits of the challenge. If the registrars deny the challenge, the elector shall be permitted to vote in the election notwithstanding the fact that the polls may have closed prior to the time the registrars render their decision and the elector can actually vote, provided that the elector proceeds to vote immediately after the decision of the registrars. If the registrars uphold the challenge, the challenged elector shall not be permitted to vote and, if the challenge is based upon the grounds that the elector is not qualified to remain on the list of electors, the challenged elector's name shall be removed from the list of electors.

(i) If the challenged elector appears at the polls to vote and it is not practical to conduct a hearing prior to the close of the polls or if the registrars begin a hearing and subsequently find that a decision on the challenge cannot be rendered within a reasonable time, the challenged elector shall be permitted to vote by casting a challenged ballot on the same type of ballot that is used by the county or municipality for provisional ballots. Such challenged ballot shall be sealed in double envelopes as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-419 and, after having the word 'Challenged,' the elector's name, and the alleged cause of the challenge written across

the back of the outer envelope, the ballot shall be deposited by the person casting such ballot in a secure, sealed ballot box notwithstanding the fact that the polls may have closed prior to the time the registrars make such a determination, provided that the elector proceeds to vote immediately after such determination of the registrars. In such cases, if the challenge is based upon the grounds that the challenged elector is not qualified to remain on the list of electors, the registrars shall proceed to finish the hearing prior to the certification of the consolidated returns of the election by the election superintendent. If the challenge is based on other grounds, no further action shall be required by the registrars. The election superintendent shall not certify such consolidated returns until such hearing is complete and the registrars have rendered their decision on the challenge. If the registrars deny the challenge, the superintendent shall proceed to certify the consolidated returns. If the registrars uphold the challenge, the name of the challenged elector shall be removed from the list of electors and the ballot of the challenged elector shall be rejected and not counted and, if necessary, the returns shall be adjusted to remove any votes cast by such elector. The elector making the challenge and the challenged elector may appeal the decision of the registrars in the same manner as provided in subsection (e) of Code Section 21-2-229.

(j) Failure to comply with the provisions of this Code section by the board of registrars shall subject such board to sanctions by the State Election Board."

**SECTION 17.**

Said chapter is further amended in subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-232, relating to removal of elector's name from list of electors, by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(3) Once becoming a member of the nongovernmental entity described in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-225, the Secretary of State shall obtain regular information from such entity regarding electors who may have moved to another state, died, or otherwise become ineligible to vote in Georgia. The Secretary of State shall use such information to conduct list maintenance on the list of eligible electors."

**SECTION 18.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-263, relating to reduction in size of, or provision of additional voting equipment or poll workers to, precincts containing more than 2,000 electors when voting in such precincts at previous general election not completed one hour after closing of polls, as follows:

"21-2-263.

(a) If, at the previous general election, a precinct contained more than 2,000 electors and if all those electors desiring to vote had not completed voting one hour following the closing of the polls, the superintendent shall either reduce the size of said precinct so that it shall contain not more than 2,000 electors in accordance with the procedures prescribed by this chapter for the division, alteration, and consolidation of precincts no later than 60 days before the next general election or provide additional voting equipment or poll workers, or both, before the next general election. For administering

this Code section, the chief manager of a precinct which contained more than 2,000 electors at the previous general election shall submit a report thereof, under oath, to the superintendent as to the time required for completion of voting by all persons in line at the time the polls were closed. Any such change in the boundaries of a precinct shall conform with the requirements of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-261.1.

(b) If, at the previous general election, a precinct contained more than 2,000 electors and if electors desiring to vote on the day of the election had to wait in line for more than one hour before checking in to vote, the superintendent shall either reduce the size of such precinct so that it shall contain not more than 2,000 electors in accordance with the procedures prescribed by this chapter for the division, alteration, and consolidation of precincts no later than 60 days before the next general election or provide additional voting equipment or poll workers, or both, before the next general election. For administering this Code section, the chief manager of a precinct which contained more than 2,000 electors at the previous general election shall submit a report thereof to the superintendent of the reported time from entering the line to checking in to vote. Such wait time shall be measured no fewer than three different times throughout the day (in the morning, at midday, and prior to the close of polls) and such results shall be recorded on a form provided by the Secretary of State. Any such change in the boundaries of a precinct shall conform with the requirements of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-261.1."

**SECTION 19.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-265, relating to duty of superintendent to select polling places, change, petition objecting to proposed change, space for political parties holding primaries, facilities for disabled voters, selection of polling place outside precinct to better serve voters, and restriction on changing polling place on or near date of election, as follows:

"(a) The superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall select and fix the polling place within each precinct and may, either on his, her, or its own motion or on petition of ten electors of a precinct, change the polling place within any precinct. Except in case of an emergency or unavoidable event occurring within ten days of a primary or election, which emergency or event renders any polling place unavailable for use at such primary or election, the superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall not change any polling place until notice of the proposed change shall have been published for once a week for two consecutive weeks in the legal organ for the county or municipality in which the polling place is located. Additionally, ~~on the first election~~ during the seven days before and on the day of the first election following such change, a notice of such change shall be posted on the previous polling place and at three other places in the immediate vicinity thereof. Each notice posted shall state the location to which the polling place has been moved and shall direct electors to the new location. At least one notice at the previous polling place shall be a minimum of four feet by four feet in size. The occupant or owner of the previous polling place, or his or her agent, shall be notified in writing of such

change at the time notice is published in the legal organ."

**SECTION 20.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 21-2-266, relating to use of public buildings as polling places, use of portable or movable facilities, and unrestricted access to residential communities, as follows:

"(a) In selecting polling places and advance voting locations, the superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall select, wherever practicable and consistent with subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-265, schoolhouses, municipal buildings or rooms, or other public buildings for that purpose. In selecting polling places and advance voting locations, the superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall give consideration to the comfort and convenience those places to be selected will provide to both electors and poll officers. School, county, municipal, or other governmental authorities, upon request of the superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality, shall make arrangements for the use of their property for polling places or advance voting locations; provided, however, that such use shall not substantially interfere with the use of such property for the purposes for which it is primarily intended.

(b) The superintendent of a county or the governing authority of a municipality shall have discretion to procure and provide portable or movable polling facilities of adequate size for any precinct; provided, however, that buses and other readily movable facilities shall only be used in emergencies declared by the Governor pursuant to Code Section 38-3-51 to supplement the capacity of the polling place where the emergency circumstance occurred."

**SECTION 20A.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-284, relating to form of official primary ballot and attestation regarding receiving value in exchange for vote, as follows:

"(a) In each primary separate official ballots shall be prepared for the political party holding the primary. At the top of each ballot shall be printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL PRIMARY BALLOT OF _____ PARTY FOR,' followed by the name and designation of the precinct for which it is prepared and the name and date of the primary."

**SECTION 20B.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-284.1, relating to form of ballot in nonpartisan municipal primaries, as follows:

"21-2-284.1.

In the case of nonpartisan municipal primaries, the form of the official nonpartisan primary ballot shall conform insofar as practicable to the form of the official primary ballot as detailed in Code Section 21-2-284, including the printing of the name and designation of the precinct on the top of the ballot, except that:

(1) The following shall be printed at the top of each ballot in prominent type:
'OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN PRIMARY BALLOT OF
_____
(Name of Municipality)';
(2) There shall be no name or designation of any political organization nor any words, designation, or emblems descriptive of a candidate's political affiliation printed under or after any candidate's name which is printed on the ballot; and
(3) The incumbency of a candidate seeking election for the public office he or she then holds shall be indicated on the ballot."

**SECTION 20C.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-285, relating to form of official election ballot, attestation on receipt of benefit in exchange for vote, and when an election is not required, as follows:

"(a) At the top of each ballot for an election shall be printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL BALLOT,' followed by the name and designation of the precinct for which it is prepared and the name and date of the election."

**SECTION 21.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-285.1, relating to form of ballot, run-off election, and declaration of prevailing candidate in nonpartisan elections, as follows:

"21-2-285.1.

The names of all candidates for offices which the General Assembly has by general law or local Act provided for election in a nonpartisan election shall be printed on each official primary ballot; and insofar as practicable such offices to be filled in the nonpartisan election shall be separated from the names of candidates for party nomination to other offices by being listed last on each ballot, with the top of that portion of each official primary ballot relating to the nonpartisan election to have printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL NONPARTISAN ELECTION BALLOT.' In addition, there shall be a ballot that contains just the official nonpartisan election ballot available for electors who choose not to vote in a party primary. Such ballot shall have printed at the top the name and designation of the precinct. Directions that explain how to cast a vote, how to write in a candidate, and how to obtain a new ballot after the elector spoils his or her ballot shall appear immediately under the caption, as specified by rule or regulation of the State Election Board. Immediately under the directions, the name of each such nonpartisan candidate shall be arranged alphabetically by last name under the title of the office for which they are candidates and be printed thereunder. The incumbency of a candidate seeking election for the public office he or she then holds shall be indicated on the ballot. No party designation or affiliation shall appear beside the name of any candidate for nonpartisan office. An appropriate space shall also be placed on the ballot for the casting of write-in votes for such offices. In the event that no candidate in such nonpartisan election receives a

majority of the total votes cast for such office, there shall be a nonpartisan election runoff between the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes; and the names of such candidates shall be placed on the official ballot at the general primary runoff in the same manner as prescribed in this Code section for the nonpartisan election and there shall be a separate official nonpartisan election ~~runoff~~ run-off ballot for those electors who do not choose or are not eligible to vote in the general primary runoff. In the event that only nonpartisan candidates are to be placed on a run-off ballot, the form of the ballot shall be as prescribed by the Secretary of State or election superintendent in essentially the same format as prescribed for the nonpartisan election. Except as provided in subsection (g) of Code Section 21-2-134, the ~~The~~ candidate having a majority of the votes cast in the nonpartisan election or the candidate receiving the highest number of votes cast in the nonpartisan election runoff shall be declared duly elected to such office."

**SECTION 21A.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-286, relating to printing specifications, numbering, and binding of ballots, as follows:

"(3) Ballots printed by an electronic ballot marker shall be designed as prescribed by the Secretary of State to ensure ease of reading by electors, provided that each ballot shall have the name and designation of the precinct printed at the top."

**SECTION 21B.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-287, relating to form of absentee ballot, as follows:

"21-2-287.

The form for the absentee ballot shall be in substantially the same form as the official ballots used in the precincts, except it shall be printed with only the name stub and without a number strip and ~~may~~ shall have the precinct name and designation printed or stamped thereon."

**SECTION 22.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-367, relating to installation of systems, number of systems, and good working order, as follows:

"(b)(1) In each precinct in which optical scanning voting systems are used in a state-wide general election, the county ~~or municipal governing authority, as appropriate,~~ election superintendent shall provide at least one voting booth or enclosure for each 250 electors therein, or fraction thereof.

(2) For any other primary, election, or runoff, the county or municipal election superintendent may provide a greater or lesser number of voting booths or enclosures if, after a thorough consideration of the type of election, expected turnout, the number of electors who have already voted by advance voting or absentee ballot, and other

relevant factors that inform the appropriate amount of equipment needed, such superintendent determines that a different amount of equipment is needed or sufficient. Such determination shall be subject to the provisions of Code Section 21-2-263."

**SECTION 23.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-372, relating to ballot description, as follows:

"21-2-372.

Ballots shall be of suitable design, size, and stock to permit processing by a ballot scanner and shall be printed in black ink on clear, white, or colored material. Other than ballots delivered electronically to qualified electors who are entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., the ballots shall be printed on security paper that incorporates features which can be used to authenticate the ballot as an official ballot but which do not make the ballot identifiable to a particular elector."

**SECTION 23A.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-379.23, relating to requirements for ballot display for electronic ballot markers, role of Secretary of State, and printed paper ballot controls during recount, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(e) Each ballot printed by an electronic ballot marker shall include the name and designation of the precinct at the top."

**SECTION 24.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-379.25, relating to programming for ballot design and style, verification, appointment of custodians, and role of custodians, as follows:

"(c) On or before the third day preceding a primary or election, including special primaries, special elections, and referendum elections, the superintendent shall have each electronic ballot marker tested to ascertain that it will correctly record the votes cast for all offices and on all questions and produce a ballot reflecting such choices of the elector in a manner that the State Election Board shall prescribe by rule or regulation. Public notice of the time and place of the test shall be made at least five days prior thereto~~; provided, however, that, in the case of a runoff, the public notice shall be made at least three days prior thereto~~. The superintendent of each county or municipality shall publish such notice on the homepage of the county's or municipality's publicly accessible website associated with elections, if the county or municipality maintains a publicly accessible website, and in a newspaper of general circulation in the county or municipality and by posting in a prominent location in the county or municipality. Such notice shall state the date, time, and place or places where preparation and testing of the voting system components for use in the primary or election will commence, that such preparation and testing shall continue from day to

day until complete, and that representatives ~~Representatives~~ of political parties and bodies, news media, and the public shall be permitted to observe such tests. The superintendent of the county or municipality shall also provide such notice to the Secretary of State who shall publish on his or her website the information received from superintendents stating the dates, times, and locations for preparation and testing of voting system components. However, such representatives of political parties and bodies, news media, and the public shall not in any manner interfere with the preparation and testing of voting system components. The advertisement in the newspaper of general circulation shall be prominently displayed, shall not be less than 30 square inches, and shall not be placed in the section of the newspaper where legal notices appear."

**SECTION 25.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-381, relating to making of application for absentee ballot, determination of eligibility by ballot clerk, furnishing of applications to colleges and universities, and persons entitled to make application, as follows:

"21-2-381.

(a)(1)(A) Except as otherwise provided in Code Section 21-2-219 or for advance voting described in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385, not ~~more~~ earlier than ~~180~~ 78 days or less than 11 days prior to the date of the primary or election, or runoff of either, in which the elector desires to vote, any absentee elector may make, either by mail, by facsimile transmission, by electronic transmission, or in person in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office, an application for an official ballot of the elector's precinct to be voted at such primary, election, or runoff. To be timely received, an application for an absentee-by-mail ballot shall be received by the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk no later than 11 days prior to the primary, election, or runoff. For advance voting in person, the application shall be made within the time period set forth in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385.

(B) In the case of an elector residing temporarily out of the county or municipality or a physically disabled elector residing within the county or municipality, the application for the elector's absentee ballot may, upon satisfactory proof of relationship, be made by such elector's mother, father, grandparent, aunt, uncle, sister, brother, spouse, son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, or sister-in-law of the age of 18 or over.

(C)(i) Any person applying for an absentee-by-mail ballot shall make application in writing on the form made available by the Secretary of State. In order to confirm the identity of the voter, such form shall require the elector to provide his or her name, date of birth, address as registered, address where the elector wishes the ballot to be mailed, and the number of his or her Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40. If such elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or identification card issued

pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the elector shall affirm this fact in the manner prescribed in the application and the elector shall provide a copy of a form of identification listed in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417. The form made available by the Secretary of State shall include a space to affix a photocopy or electronic image of such identification. The Secretary of State shall develop a method to allow secure electronic transmission of such form. The application shall ~~be in writing and shall contain sufficient information for proper identification of the elector; the permanent or temporary address of the elector to which the absentee ballot shall be mailed;~~ also include the identity of the primary, election, or runoff in which the elector wishes to vote; ~~and~~ the name and relationship of the person requesting the ballot if other than the elector; and an oath for the elector or relative to write his or her usual signature with a pen and ink affirming that the elector is a qualified Georgia elector and the facts presented on the application are true. Submitting false information on an application for an absentee ballot shall be a violation of Code Sections 21-2-560 and 21-2-571.

(ii) A blank application for an absentee ballot shall be made available online by the Secretary of State and each election superintendent and registrar, but neither the Secretary of State, election superintendent, board of registrars, other governmental entity, nor employee or agent thereof shall send absentee ballot applications directly to any elector except upon request of such elector or a relative authorized to request an absentee ballot for such elector. No person or entity other than a relative authorized to request an absentee ballot for such elector or a person signing as assisting an illiterate or physically disabled elector shall send any elector an absentee ballot application that is prefilled with the elector's required information set forth in this subparagraph. No person or entity other than the elector, a relative authorized to request an absentee ballot for such elector, a person signing as assisting an illiterate or physically disabled elector with his or her application, a common carrier charged with returning the ballot application, an absentee ballot clerk, a registrar, or a law enforcement officer in the course of an investigation shall handle or return an elector's completed absentee ballot application. Handling a completed absentee ballot application by any person or entity other than as allowed in this subsection shall be a misdemeanor. Any application for an absentee ballot sent to any elector by any person or entity shall utilize the form of the application made available by the Secretary of State and shall clearly and prominently disclose on the face of the form:

'This is NOT an official government publication and was NOT provided to you by any governmental entity and this is NOT a ballot. It is being distributed by [insert name and address of person, organization, or other entity distributing such document or material].'

(iii) The disclaimer required by division (ii) of this subparagraph shall be:

(I) Of sufficient font size to be clearly readable by the recipient of the communication;

(II) Be contained in a printed box set apart from the other contents of the

communication; and

(III) Be printed with a reasonable degree of color contrast between the background and the printed disclaimer.

(D) Except in the case of physically disabled electors residing in the county or municipality or electors in custody in a jail or other detention facility in the county or municipality, no absentee ballot shall be mailed to an address other than the permanent mailing address of the elector as recorded on the elector's voter registration record or a temporary out-of-county or out-of-municipality address. Upon request, electors held in jails or other detention facilities who are eligible to vote shall be granted access to the necessary personal effects for the purpose of applying for and voting an absentee ballot pursuant to this chapter.

(E) Relatives applying for absentee ballots for electors must also sign an oath stating that facts in the application are true.

(F) If the elector is unable to fill out or sign such elector's own application because of illiteracy or physical disability, the elector shall make such elector's mark, and the person filling in the rest of the application shall sign such person's name below it as a witness.

(G) Any elector meeting criteria of advance age or disability specified by rule or regulation of the State Election Board or any elector who is entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff, et seq., as amended, may request in writing on one application a ballot for a presidential preference primary held pursuant to Article 5 of this chapter and for a primary as well as for any runoffs resulting therefrom and for the election for which such primary shall nominate candidates as well as any runoffs resulting therefrom. If not so requested by such person, a separate and distinct application shall be required for each primary, run-off primary, election, and run-off election. Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, a separate and distinct application for an absentee ballot shall always be required for any special election or special primary.

(2) A properly executed registration card submitted under the provisions of subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-219, if submitted within 180 days of a primary or election in which the registrant is entitled to vote, shall be considered to be an application for an absentee ballot under this Code section, or for a special absentee ballot under Code Section 21-2-381.1, as appropriate.

(3)(A) All persons or entities, other than the Secretary of State, election superintendents, boards of registrars, and absentee ballot clerks, that send applications for absentee ballots to electors in a primary, election, or runoff shall mail such applications only to individuals who have not already requested, received, or voted an absentee ballot in the primary, election, or runoff. Any such person or entity shall compare its mail distribution list with the most recent information available about which electors have requested, been issued, or voted an absentee ballot in the primary, election, or runoff and shall remove the names of such electors from its mail distribution list. A person or entity shall not be liable for any violation

of this subparagraph if such person or entity relied upon information made available by the Secretary of State within five business days prior to the date such applications are mailed.

(B) A person or entity in violation of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall be subject to sanctions by the State Election Board which, in addition to all other possible sanctions, may include requiring such person or entity to pay restitution to each affected county or municipality in an amount up to $100.00 per duplicate absentee ballot application that is processed by the county or municipality due to such violation or the actual cost incurred by each affected county or municipality for the processing of such duplicate absentee ballot applications. ~~Reserved.~~

(4) In extraordinary circumstances as described in Code Section 21-2-543.1, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall determine if the applicants are eligible to vote under this Code section and shall either mail or issue the absentee ballots for the election for representative in the United States Congress to an individual entitled to make application for absentee ballot under subsection (d) of this Code section the same day any such application is received, so long as the application is received by 3:00 P.M., otherwise no later than the next business day following receipt of the application. Any valid absentee ballot shall be accepted and processed so long as the ballot is received by the registrar or absentee ballot clerk not later than 45 days after the ballot is transmitted to the absent uniformed services voter or overseas voter, but in no event later than 11 days following the date of the election.

(b)(1) Upon receipt of a timely application for an absentee ballot, a registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall enter thereon the date received. The registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall verify the identity of the applicant and determine, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, if the applicant is eligible to vote in the primary or election involved. In order to ~~be found eligible to vote an absentee ballot by mail~~ verify the identity of the applicant, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the ~~identifying information~~ applicant's name, date of birth, and number of his or her Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 on the application with the information on file in the registrar's office ~~and, if the application is signed by the elector, compare the signature or mark of the elector on the application with the signature or mark of the elector on the elector's voter registration card~~. If the application does not contain the number of the applicant's Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall verify that the identification provided with the application identifies the applicant. In order to be found eligible to vote an absentee ballot in person at the registrar's office or absentee ballot clerk's office, such person shall show one of the forms of identification listed in Code Section 21-2-417 and the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall compare the identifying information on the application with the information on file in the registrar's office.

(2) If found eligible, the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall certify by signing in the proper place on the application and then:

(A) Shall mail the ballot as provided in this Code section;

(B) If the application is made in person, shall issue the ballot to the elector within the confines of the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office as required by Code Section 21-2-383 if the ballot is issued during the advance voting period established pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385; or

(C) May deliver the ballot in person to the elector if such elector is confined to a hospital.

(3) If found ineligible or if the application is not timely received, the clerk or the board of registrars shall deny the application by writing the reason for rejection in the proper space on the application and shall promptly notify the applicant in writing of the ground of ineligibility, a copy of which notification should be retained on file in the office of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk for at least one year. However, an absentee ballot application shall not be rejected solely due to ~~an apparent~~ a mismatch between the ~~signature~~ identifying information of the elector on the application and the ~~signature~~ identifying information of the elector on file with the board of registrars. In such cases, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall send the elector a provisional absentee ballot with the designation 'Provisional Ballot' on the outer oath envelope and information prepared by the Secretary of State as to the process to be followed to cure the ~~signature~~ discrepancy. If such ballot is returned to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk prior to the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election, the elector may cure the ~~signature~~ discrepancy by submitting an affidavit to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk along with a copy of one of the forms of identification enumerated in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 before the close of the period for verifying provisional ballots contained in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-419. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be sufficient, the absentee ballot shall be counted as other absentee ballots. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be insufficient, then the procedure contained in Code Section 21-2-386 shall be followed for rejected absentee ballots.

(4) If the registrar or clerk is unable to determine the identity of the elector from information given on the application or if the application is not complete or if the oath on the application is not signed, the registrar or clerk should promptly ~~write~~ contact the elector in writing to request the necessary additional information and a signed copy of the oath.

(5) In the case of an unregistered applicant who is eligible to register to vote, the clerk or the board shall immediately mail a blank registration card as provided by Code Section 21-2-223, and such applicant, if otherwise qualified, shall be deemed eligible to vote by absentee ballot in such primary or election, if the registration card, properly completed, is returned to the clerk or the board on or before the last day for registering to vote in such primary or election. ~~If the closing date for registration in the primary or election concerned has not passed, the clerk or registrar shall also mail a ballot to the applicant, as soon as it is prepared and available; and the ballot shall be cast in such primary or election if returned to the clerk or board not later than the~~

~~close of the polls on the day of the primary or election concerned.~~

(c) In those counties or municipalities in which the absentee ballot clerk or board of registrars provides application forms for absentee ballots, the clerk or board shall provide such quantity of the application form to the dean of each college or university located in that county as said dean determines necessary for the students of such college or university.

(d)(1) A citizen of the United States permanently residing outside the United States is entitled to make application for an absentee ballot from Georgia and to vote by absentee ballot in any election for presidential electors and United States senator or representative in Congress:

(A) If such citizen was last domiciled in Georgia immediately before his or her departure from the United States; and

(B) If such citizen could have met all qualifications, except any qualification relating to minimum voting age, to vote in federal elections even though, while residing outside the United States, he or she does not have a place of abode or other address in Georgia.

(2) An individual is entitled to make application for an absentee ballot under paragraph (1) of this subsection even if such individual's intent to return to Georgia may be uncertain, as long as:

(A) He or she has complied with all applicable Georgia qualifications and requirements which are consistent with 42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff concerning absentee registration for and voting by absentee ballots;

(B) He or she does not maintain a domicile, is not registered to vote, and is not voting in any other state or election district of a state or territory or in any territory or possession of the United States; and

(C) He or she has a valid passport or card of identity and registration issued under the authority of the Secretary of State of the United States or, in lieu thereof, an alternative form of identification consistent with 42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff and applicable state requirements, if a citizen does not possess a valid passport or card of identity and registration.

(e) The State Election Board is authorized to promulgate reasonable rules and regulations for the implementation of paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section. Said rules and regulations may include provisions for the limitation of opportunities for fraudulent application, including, but not limited to, comparison of voter registration records with death certificates."

**SECTION 26.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-382, relating to additional sites as additional registrar's office or place of registration for absentee ballots, as follows:

"21-2-382.

(a) Any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, the board of registrars may establish ~~additional sites as~~ additional registrar's offices or places of

registration for the purpose of receiving absentee ballots under Code Section 21-2-381 and for the purpose of ~~voting absentee ballots~~ advance voting under Code Section 21-2-385, provided that any such site is a building that is a branch of the county courthouse, a courthouse annex, a government service center providing general government services, another government building generally accessible to the public, or a ~~location~~ building that is used as an election day polling place, notwithstanding that such ~~location~~ building is not a government building.

(b) Any other provisions of this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding, in all counties of this state having a population of 550,000 or more according to the United States decennial census of 1990 or any future such census, any building that is a branch of the county courthouse or courthouse annex established within any such county shall be an additional registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office or place of registration for the purpose of receiving absentee ballots under Code Section 21-2-381 and for the purpose of ~~voting absentee ballots~~ advance voting under Code Section 21-2-385.

(c)(1) A board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall establish at least one drop box as a means for absentee by mail electors to deliver their ballots to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk. A board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk may establish additional drop boxes, subject to the limitations of this Code section, but may only establish additional drop boxes totaling the lesser of either one drop box for every 100,000 active registered voters in the county or the number of advance voting locations in the county. Any additional drop boxes shall be evenly geographically distributed by population in the county. Drop boxes established pursuant to this Code section shall be established at the office of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk or inside locations at which advance voting, as set forth in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385, is conducted in the applicable primary, election, or runoff and may be open during the hours of advance voting at that location. Such drop boxes shall be closed when advance voting is not being conducted at that location. All drop boxes shall be closed when the advance voting period ends, as set forth in subsection (d) of Code Section 21-2-385. The drop box location shall have adequate lighting and be under constant surveillance by an election official or his or her designee, law enforcement official, or licensed security guard. During an emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to Code Section 38-3-51, drop boxes may be located outside the office of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk or outside of locations at which advance voting is taking place, subject to the other limitations of this Code section.

(2) The opening slot of a drop box shall not allow ballots to be tampered with or removed and shall be designed to minimize the ability for liquid or other substances that may damage ballots to be poured into the drop box. A drop box shall be labeled "OFFICIAL ABSENTEE BALLOT DROP BOX" and shall clearly display the signage developed by the Secretary of State pertaining to Georgia law with regard to who is allowed to return absentee ballots and destroying, defacing, or delaying delivery of ballots.

(3) The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall arrange for the collecting and

return of ballots deposited at each drop box at the conclusion of each day where advance voting takes place. Collection of ballots from a drop box shall be made by a team of at least two people. Any person collecting ballots from a drop box shall have sworn an oath in the same form as the oath for poll officers set forth in Code Section 21-2-95. The collection team shall complete and sign a ballot transfer form upon removing the ballots from the drop box which shall include the date, time, location, number of ballots, confirmation that the drop box was locked after the removal of the ballots, and the identity of each person collecting the ballots. The collection team shall then immediately transfer the ballots to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk, who shall process and store the ballots in the same manner as absentee ballots returned by mail are processed and stored. The board of registrars, absentee ballot clerk, or a designee of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall sign the ballot transfer form upon receipt of the ballots from the collection team. Such form shall be considered a public record pursuant to Code Section 50-18-70.

(4) At the beginning of voting at each advance location where a drop box is present, the manager of the advance voting location shall open the drop box and confirm on the reconciliation form for that advance voting location that the drop box is empty. If the drop box is not empty, the manager shall secure the contents of the drop box and immediately inform the election superintendent, board of registrars, or absentee ballot clerk, who shall inform the Secretary of State."

**SECTION 27.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-384, relating to preparation and delivery of supplies, mailing of ballots, oath of absentee electors and persons assisting absentee electors, master list of ballots sent, challenges, and electronic transmission of ballots, as follows:

"21-2-384.

(a)(1) The superintendent shall, in consultation with the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk, prepare, obtain, and deliver before the date specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection an adequate supply of official absentee ballots to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk for use in the primary or election or as soon as possible prior to a runoff. Envelopes and other supplies as required by this article may be ordered by the superintendent, the board of registrars, or the absentee ballot clerk for use in the primary or election.

(2) The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall mail or issue official absentee ballots to all eligible applicants not more than ~~49~~ 29 days but not less than ~~45~~ 25 days prior to any presidential preference primary, general primary other than a municipal general primary, general election other than a municipal general election, or special primary or special election in which there is a candidate for a federal office on the ballot; 22 days prior to any municipal general primary or municipal general election; and as soon as possible prior to any runoff. In the case of all other special primaries or special elections, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall mail or issue official absentee ballots to all eligible applicants within three days after

the receipt of such ballots and supplies, but no earlier than 22 days prior to the election; provided, however, that ~~should~~ official absentee ballots shall be issued to any elector of the jurisdiction ~~be permitted to vote by absentee ballot~~ who is entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended, beginning 49 days prior to a federal primary or election~~, all eligible applicants of such jurisdiction shall be entitled to vote by absentee ballot beginning 49 days prior to such primary or election~~ and not later than 45 days prior to a federal primary or election. As additional applicants who submitted timely applications for an absentee ballot are determined to be eligible, the board or clerk shall mail or issue official absentee ballots to such additional applicants immediately upon determining their eligibility~~; provided, however, that no absentee ballot shall be mailed by the registrars or absentee ballot clerk on the day prior to a primary or election and provided, further, that no absentee ballot shall be issued on the day prior to a primary or election~~. For all timely received applications for absentee ballots, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall mail or issue absentee ballots, provisional absentee ballots, and notices of rejection as soon as possible upon determining their eligibility within the time periods set forth in this subsection. During the period for advance voting set forth in Code Section 21-2-385, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall make such determinations and mail or issue absentee ballots, provisional absentee ballots, and notices of rejection of application within three days after receiving a timely application for an absentee ballot. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall, within the ~~same~~ time periods specified in this subsection, electronically transmit official absentee ballots to all electors who have requested to receive their official absentee ballot electronically and are entitled to vote such absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, ~~42 U.S.C. Section 1973ff~~ 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., as amended.

(3) The date a ballot is voted in the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office or the date a ballot is mailed or issued to an elector and the date it is returned shall be entered on the application record therefor.

(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, an elector confined in a hospital may make application for an absentee ballot ~~The delivery of an absentee ballot to a person confined in a hospital may be made by the registrar or clerk~~ on the day of a primary or election or during a ~~five-day~~ ten-day period immediately preceding the day of such primary or election. Such application shall immediately be processed and, if such applicant is determined to be eligible, the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk may deliver the absentee ballot to such elector.

(5) In the event an absentee ballot which has been mailed by the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk is not received by the applicant, the applicant may notify the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk and sign an affidavit stating that the absentee ballot has not been received. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall then issue a second absentee ballot to the applicant and cancel the original ballot issued. The affidavit shall be attached to the original application. A second

application for an absentee ballot shall not be required.

(b) Except for ballots voted within the confines of the registrar's or absentee ballot clerk's office, in addition to the mailing envelope addressed to the elector, the superintendent, board of registrars, or absentee ballot clerk shall provide two envelopes for each official absentee ballot, of such size and shape as shall be determined by the Secretary of State, in order to permit the placing of one within the other and both within the mailing envelope. On the smaller of the two envelopes to be enclosed in the mailing envelope shall be printed the words 'Official Absentee Ballot' and nothing else. ~~On the back of the~~ The larger of the two envelopes to be enclosed within the mailing envelope shall ~~be printed~~ contain the form of oath of the elector and the oath for persons assisting electors, as provided for in Code Section 21-2-409, and the penalties provided for in Code Sections 21-2-568, 21-2-573, 21-2-579, and 21-2-599 for violations of oaths; ~~and on~~ a place for the elector to print his or her name; a signature line; a space for the elector to print the number of his or her Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40; a space for the elector to mark to affirm that he or she does not have a Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40; a space for the elector to print his or her date of birth; and a space for the elector to print the last four digits of his or her social security number, if the elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40. The envelope shall be designed so that the number of the elector's Georgia driver's license or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the last four digits of the elector's social security number, and the elector's date of birth shall be hidden from view when the envelope is correctly sealed. Any person other than the elector who requested the ballot, an authorized person who is assisting the elector entitled to assistance in voting pursuant to Code Section 21-2-409, an absentee ballot clerk, registrar, or law enforcement officer in the course of an investigation who knowingly unseals a sealed absentee ballot envelope shall be guilty of a felony. On the face of such envelope shall be printed the name and address of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk. The larger of the two envelopes shall also display the elector's name and voter registration number. The mailing envelope addressed to the elector shall contain the two envelopes, the official absentee ballot, the uniform instructions for the manner of preparing and returning the ballot, in form and substance as provided by the Secretary of State, provisional absentee ballot information, if necessary, and a notice in the form provided by the Secretary of State of all withdrawn, deceased, and disqualified candidates and any substitute candidates pursuant to Code Sections 21-2-134 and 21-2-155 and nothing else. The uniform instructions shall include information specific to the voting system used for absentee voting concerning the effect of overvoting or voting for more candidates than one is authorized to vote for a particular office and information concerning how the elector may correct errors in voting the ballot before it is cast including information on how to obtain a replacement ballot if the elector is unable to change the ballot or correct the error. The uniform instructions shall prominently include specific instructions stating

that the elector shall mark his or her ballot in private and sign the oath by writing his or her usual signature with a pen and ink under penalty of false swearing that the elector has not allowed any person to observe the marking of his or her ballot other than an authorized person lawfully assisting the elector if the elector is entitled to assistance, the elector's child under 18 years of age, or any child under 12 years of age and that the elector will not permit any unauthorized person to deliver or return the voted ballot to the board of registrars. The uniform instructions shall include a list of authorized persons who may deliver or return the voted ballot to the board of registrars on behalf of the elector as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-385. The uniform instructions shall include the contact information of the Secretary of State which may be used by the elector to report any unauthorized person requesting to observe the elector voting his or her ballot or the elector's voted ballot or any unauthorized person offering to deliver or return the voted ballot to the board of registrars.

(c)(1) The oaths referred to in subsection (b) of this Code section shall be in substantially the following form:

I, the undersigned, do swear (or affirm) under penalty of false swearing that I am a citizen of the United States and of the State of Georgia; that I possess the qualifications of an elector required by the laws of the State of Georgia; that I am entitled to vote in the precinct containing my residence in the primary or election in which this ballot is to be cast; that I am eligible to vote by absentee ballot; that I have not marked or mailed any other absentee ballot, nor will I mark or mail another absentee ballot for voting in such primary or election; nor shall I vote therein in person; and that I have read and understand the instructions accompanying this ballot; ~~and~~ that I have carefully complied with such instructions in completing this ballot; that I have marked and sealed this ballot in private and have not allowed any unauthorized person to observe the voting of this ballot or how this ballot was voted except those authorized under state and federal law; and that I will not give or transfer this ballot to any person not authorized by law to deliver or return absentee ballots. I understand that the offer or acceptance of money or any other object of value to vote for any particular candidate, list of candidates, issue, or list of issues included in this election constitutes an act of voter fraud and is a felony under Georgia law.

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Signature or Mark of Elector

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Printed Name of Elector

Oath of Person Assisting Elector (if any):

I, the undersigned, do swear (or affirm) that I assisted the above-named elector in marking such elector's absentee ballot as such elector personally communicated such elector's preference to me; and that such elector is entitled to receive assistance in voting under provisions of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-409. This, the _____ day of _____, _____.

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Signature of Person Assisting Elector

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Printed Name of Person Assisting Elector

Reason for assistance (Check appropriate square):

□ Elector is unable to read the English language.

□ Elector requires assistance due to physical disability.

The forms upon which such oaths are printed shall contain the following information: Georgia law provides that any person who knowingly falsifies information so as to vote illegally by absentee ballot or who illegally gives or receives assistance in voting, as specified in Code Section 21-2-568 or 21-2-573, shall be guilty of a felony.

(2) In the case of absent uniformed services or overseas voters, if the presidential designee under Section 705(b) of the federal Help America Vote Act promulgates a standard oath for use by such voters, the Secretary of State shall be required to use such oath on absentee ballot materials for such voters and such oath shall be accepted in lieu of the oath set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(d) Each board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall maintain for public inspection a master list, arranged by precincts, setting forth the name and residence of every elector to whom an official absentee ballot has been sent. Absentee electors whose names appear on the master list may be challenged by any elector prior to 5:00 P.M. on the day before ~~the primary or election~~ absentee ballots are to begin being scanned and tabulated.

(e)(1) The election superintendent shall prepare special absentee run-off ballots for general primaries and general elections for use by qualified electors who are entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq.

(2) Such special absentee run-off ballots for the general primary shall list the titles of all offices being contested at the general primary and the candidates qualifying for such general primary for each office and shall permit the elector to vote in the general primary runoff by indicating his or her order of preference for each candidate for each office. A separate ballot shall be prepared for each political party, but a qualified elector under this subsection shall be mailed only the ballot of the political party in whose primary such elector requests to vote. The Secretary of State shall prepare instructions for use with such special absentee run-off ballots, including instructions for voting by mail using an electronically transmitted ballot. Such ballot shall be returned by the elector in the same manner as other absentee ballots by such electors who are entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq.

(3) Such special absentee run-off ballots for the general election shall list the titles of all offices being contested at the general election and the candidates qualifying for such general election for each office and shall permit the elector to vote in the general election runoff by indicating his or her order of preference for each candidate for each office.

(4) To indicate order of preference for each candidate for each office to be voted on, an elector shall put the numeral '1' next to the name of the candidate who is the elector's first choice for such office, the numeral '2' for the elector's second choice, and so forth, in consecutive numerical order, such that a numeral indicating the elector's preference is written by the elector next to each candidate's name on the ballot. An elector shall not be required to indicate preference for more than one candidate for an office if the elector so chooses.

(5) A special absentee run-off ballot shall be enclosed with each general primary absentee ballot sent to an elector who is entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., along with instructions on how to cast the special absentee run-off ballot and the two envelopes to be used in returning such ballot as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, provided that the envelopes bear the notation of 'Official Overseas/Military General Primary Run-off Ballot.' An elector shall be sent only the ballot containing the candidates of the political party in whose primary such elector desires to vote.

(6) A special absentee run-off ballot shall be enclosed with each general election absentee ballot sent to an elector entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section 20301, et seq., along with instructions on how to cast the special absentee run-off ballot and the two envelopes to be used in returning such ballot as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, provided that the envelopes bear the notation of 'Official Overseas/Military General Election Run-off Ballot.' The State Election Board shall by rule or regulation establish procedures for the transmission of blank absentee ballots by mail and by electronic transmission for all electors who are entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section ~~20302~~ 20301, et seq., as amended, and by which such electors may designate whether the elector prefers the transmission of such ballots by mail or electronically, for use in county, state, and federal primaries, elections, and runoffs in this state and, if the Secretary of State finds it to be feasible, for use in municipal primaries, elections, and runoffs. If no preference is stated, the ballot shall be transmitted by mail. The State Election Board shall by rule or regulation establish procedures to ensure to the extent practicable that the procedures for transmitting such ballots shall protect the security and integrity of such ballots and shall ensure that the privacy of the identity and other personal data of such electors who are entitled to vote by absentee ballot under the federal Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, 52 U.S.C. Section ~~20302~~ 20301, et seq., as amended, to whom a blank absentee ballot is transmitted under this Code section is protected throughout the

process of such transmission."

**SECTION 28.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (d) of and adding a new subsection to Code Section 21-2-385, relating to procedure for voting by absentee ballot and advance voting, to read as follows:

"(a) At any time after receiving an official absentee ballot, but before the day of the primary or election, except electors who are confined to a hospital on the day of the primary or election, the elector shall vote his or her absentee ballot, then fold the ballot and enclose and securely seal the same in the envelope on which is printed 'Official Absentee Ballot.' This envelope shall then be placed in the second one, on which is printed the form of the oath of the elector; the name and oath of the person assisting, if any; and other required identifying information. The elector shall then fill out, subscribe, and swear to the oath printed on such envelope. In order to verify that the absentee ballot was voted by the elector who requested the ballot, the elector shall print the number of his or her Georgia driver's license number or identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 in the space provided on the outer oath envelope. The elector shall also print his or her date of birth in the space provided in the outer oath envelope. If the elector does not have a Georgia driver's license or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the elector shall so affirm in the space provided on the outer oath envelope and print the last four digits of his or her social security number in the space provided on the outer oath envelope. If the elector does not have a Georgia driver's license, identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, or a social security number, the elector shall so affirm in the space provided on the outer oath envelope and place a copy of one of the forms of identification set forth in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 in the outer envelope. Such envelope shall then be securely sealed and the elector shall then personally mail or personally deliver same to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk, provided that mailing or delivery may be made by the elector's mother, father, grandparent, aunt, uncle, brother, sister, spouse, son, daughter, niece, nephew, grandchild, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, or an individual residing in the household of such elector. The absentee ballot of a disabled elector may be mailed or delivered by the caregiver of such disabled elector, regardless of whether such caregiver resides in such disabled elector's household. The absentee ballot of an elector who is in custody in a jail or other detention facility may be mailed or delivered by any employee of such jail or facility having custody of such elector. An elector who is confined to a hospital on a primary or election day to whom an absentee ballot is delivered by the registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall then and there vote the ballot, seal it properly, and return it to the registrar or absentee ballot clerk. If the elector registered to vote for the first time in this state by mail and has not previously provided the identification required by Code Section 21-2-220 and votes for the first time by absentee ballot and fails to provide the identification required by Code Section 21-2-220 with such absentee ballot, such

absentee ballot shall be treated as a provisional ballot and shall be counted only if the registrars are able to verify the identification and registration of the elector during the time provided pursuant to Code Section 21-2-419."

"(d)(1) There shall be a period of advance voting that shall commence:

(A) On the fourth Monday immediately prior to each primary or election; and

~~(B) On the fourth Monday immediately prior to a runoff from a general primary;~~

~~(C) On the fourth Monday immediately prior to a runoff from a general election in which there are candidates for a federal office on the ballot in the runoff; and~~

~~(D)~~(B) As soon as possible prior to a runoff from any ~~other~~ general primary or election ~~in which there are only state or county candidates on the ballot in the runoff~~ but no later than the second Monday immediately prior to such runoff

and shall end on the Friday immediately prior to each primary, election, or runoff. Voting shall be conducted ~~during normal business hours~~ beginning at 9:00 A.M. and ending at 5:00 P.M. on weekdays, other than observed state holidays, during such period and shall be conducted on the second ~~Saturday~~ and third Saturdays during the hours of 9:00 A.M. through 5:00 P.M. and, if the registrar or absentee ballot clerk so chooses, the second Sunday, the third Sunday, or both the second and third Sundays prior to a primary or election during ~~the~~ hours ~~of 9:00 A.M. through 4:00 P.M.~~ determined by the registrar or absentee ballot clerk, but no longer than 7:00 A.M. through 7:00 P.M.; provided, however, ~~that in primaries and elections in which there are no federal or state candidates on the ballot, no Saturday voting hours shall be required; and provided, further,~~ that, if such second Saturday is a public and legal holiday pursuant to Code Section 1-4-1, if such second Saturday follows a public and legal holiday occurring on the Thursday or Friday immediately preceding such second Saturday, or if such second Saturday immediately precedes a public and legal holiday occurring on the following Sunday or Monday, such advance voting shall not be held on such second Saturday but shall be held on the third Saturday prior to such primary or election beginning at 9:00 A.M. and ending at 5:00 P.M. Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, ~~counties and municipalities~~ the registrars may extend the hours for voting ~~beyond regular business hours~~ to permit advance voting from 7:00 A.M. until 7:00 P.M. and may provide for additional voting locations pursuant to Code Section 21-2-382 to suit the needs of the electors of the jurisdiction at their option; provided, however, that voting shall occur only on the days specified in this paragraph and counties and municipalities shall not be authorized to conduct advance voting on any other days.

(2) The registrars or absentee ballot clerk, as appropriate, shall provide reasonable notice to the electors of their jurisdiction of the availability of advance voting as well as the times, dates, and locations at which advance voting will be conducted. In addition, the registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall notify the Secretary of State in the manner prescribed by the Secretary of State of the times, dates, and locations at which advance voting will be conducted.

(3) The board of registrars shall publish the dates, times, and locations of the availability of advance voting in its jurisdiction on the homepage of the county's

publicly accessible website associated with elections or registrations, or if the county does not have such a website, in a newspaper of general circulation, and by posting in a prominent location in the county, no later than 14 days prior to the beginning of the advance voting period for a general primary, special primary, general election, or special election and no later than seven days prior to the beginning of the advance voting period for any run-off election. Any new advance voting locations added after that deadline shall be published in the same manner as soon as possible. The board of registrars shall not remove any advance voting location after the notice of such location is published, except in the case of an emergency or unavoidable event that renders a location unavailable for use. Any changes that are made due to an emergency or unavoidable event after a notice of a location has been published shall be published as soon as possible in the same manner set forth in this paragraph.

(e) On each day of an absentee voting period, each county board of registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerk shall report for the county or municipality to the Secretary of State and post on the county or municipal website, or if the county or municipality does not maintain such a website, a place of public prominence in the county or municipality, not later than 10:00 A.M. on each business day the number of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued, the number of persons who have returned absentee ballots, and the number of absentee ballots that have been rejected. Additionally, on each day of an advance voting period, each county board of registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerk shall report to the Secretary of State and post on the county or municipal website, or if the county or municipality does not maintain such a website, a place of public prominence in the county or municipality, not later than 10:00 A.M. on each business day the number of persons who have voted at the advance voting sites in the county or municipality. During the absentee voting period and for a period of three days following a primary, election, or runoff, each county board of registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerk shall report to the Secretary of State and post on the county or municipal website, or if the county or municipality does not maintain such a website, a place of public prominence in the county or municipality, not later than 10:00 A.M. on each business day the number of persons who have voted provisional ballots, the number of provisional ballots that have verified or cured and accepted for counting, and the number of provisional ballots that have been rejected."

**SECTION 29.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-386, relating to safekeeping, certification, and validation of absentee ballots, rejection of ballot, delivery of ballots to manager, duties of managers, precinct returns, and notification of challenged elector, as follows:

"21-2-386.

(a)(1)(A) The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall keep safely, unopened, and stored in a manner that will prevent tampering and unauthorized access all official absentee ballots received from absentee electors prior to the

closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election except as otherwise provided in this subsection.

(B) Upon receipt of each ballot, a registrar or clerk shall write the day and hour of the receipt of the ballot on its envelope. The registrar or clerk shall then compare the number of the elector's Georgia driver's license number or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 and date of birth entered on the absentee ballot envelope ~~identifying information on the oath~~ with the same information ~~on file in his or her office, shall compare the signature or mark on the oath with the signature or mark on the absentee elector's voter registration card or the most recent update to such absentee elector's voter registration card and application for absentee ballot or a facsimile of said signature or mark taken from said card or application, and shall, if the information and signature appear to be valid and other identifying information appears to be correct,~~ contained in the elector's voter registration records. If the elector has affirmed on the envelope that he or she does not have a Georgia driver's license or state identification card issued pursuant to Article 5 of Chapter 5 of Title 40, the registrar or clerk shall compare the last four digits of the elector's social security number and date of birth entered on the envelope with the same information contained in the elector's voter registration records. The registrar or clerk shall also confirm that the elector signed the oath and the person assisting the elector, if any, signed the required oath. If the elector has signed the elector's oath, the person assisting has signed the required oath, if applicable, and the identifying information entered on the absentee ballot envelope matches the same information contained in the elector's voter registration record, the registrar or clerk shall so certify by signing or initialing his or her name below the voter's oath. Each elector's name so certified shall be listed by the registrar or clerk on the numbered list of absentee voters prepared for his or her precinct.

(C) If the elector has failed to sign the oath, or if the ~~signature~~ identifying information entered on the absentee ballot envelope does not ~~appear to be valid~~ match the same information appearing in the elector's voter registration record, or if the elector has failed to furnish required information or information so furnished does not conform with that on file in the registrar's or clerk's office, or if the elector is otherwise found disqualified to vote, the registrar or clerk shall write across the face of the envelope 'Rejected,' giving the reason therefor. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector of such rejection, a copy of which notification shall be retained in the files of the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk for at least two years. Such elector shall have until the end of the period for verifying provisional ballots contained in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-419 to cure the problem resulting in the rejection of the ballot. The elector may cure a failure to sign the oath, ~~an invalid signature~~ nonmatching identifying information, or missing information by submitting an affidavit to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk along with a copy of one of the forms of identification enumerated in subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-417 before the close of such

period. The affidavit shall affirm that the ballot was submitted by the elector, is the elector's ballot, and that the elector is registered and qualified to vote in the primary, election, or runoff in question. If the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk finds the affidavit and identification to be sufficient, the absentee ballot shall be counted.

(D) An elector who registered to vote by mail, but did not comply with subsection (c) of Code Section 21-2-220, and who votes for the first time in this state by absentee ballot shall include with his or her application for an absentee ballot or in the outer oath envelope of his or her absentee ballot either one of the forms of identification listed in subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-417 or a copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, government check, paycheck, or other government document that shows the name and address of such elector. If such elector does not provide any of the forms of identification listed in this subparagraph with his or her application for an absentee ballot or with the absentee ballot, such absentee ballot shall be deemed to be a provisional ballot and such ballot shall only be counted if the registrars are able to verify current and valid identification of the elector as provided in this subparagraph within the time period for verifying provisional ballots pursuant to Code Section 21-2-419. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector that such ballot is deemed a provisional ballot and shall provide information on the types of identification needed and how and when such identification is to be submitted to the board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk to verify the ballot.

(E) Three copies of the numbered list of voters shall also be prepared for such rejected absentee electors, giving the name of the elector and the reason for the rejection in each case. Three copies of the numbered list of certified absentee voters and three copies of the numbered list of rejected absentee voters for each precinct shall be turned over to the poll manager in charge of counting the absentee ballots and shall be distributed as required by law for numbered lists of voters.

(F) All absentee ballots returned to the board or absentee ballot clerk after the closing of the polls on the day of the primary or election shall be safely kept unopened by the board or absentee ballot clerk and then transferred to the appropriate clerk for storage for the period of time required for the preservation of ballots used at the primary or election and shall then, without being opened, be destroyed in like manner as the used ballots of the primary or election. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector by first-class mail that the elector's ballot was returned too late to be counted and that the elector will not receive credit for voting in the primary or election. All such late absentee ballots shall be delivered to the appropriate clerk and stored as provided in Code Section 21-2-390.

(G) Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, until the United States Department of Defense notifies the Secretary of State that the Department of Defense has implemented a system of expedited absentee voting for those electors covered by this subparagraph, absentee ballots cast in a primary, election, or runoff

by eligible absentee electors who reside outside the county or municipality in which the primary, election, or runoff is held and are members of the armed forces of the United States, members of the merchant marine of the United States, spouses or dependents of members of the armed forces or merchant marine residing with or accompanying such members, or overseas citizens that are postmarked by the date of such primary, election, or runoff and are received within the three-day period following such primary, election, or runoff, if proper in all other respects, shall be valid ballots and shall be counted and included in the certified election results.

(2)(A) Beginning at 8:00 A.M. on the third Monday prior to ~~After the opening of the polls on~~ the day of the primary, election, or runoff, the ~~registrars or absentee ballot clerks~~ election superintendent shall be authorized to open the outer oath envelope ~~on which is printed the oath of the elector~~ of absentee ballots that have been verified and accepted pursuant to subparagraph (a)(1)(B) of this Code section, ~~in such a manner as not to destroy the oath printed thereon; provided, however, that the registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall not be authorized to~~ remove the contents of such outer envelope, ~~or to~~ open the inner envelope marked 'Official Absentee Ballot,' ~~except as otherwise provided in this Code section~~ and scan the absentee ballot using one or more ballot scanners. At least three persons who are registrars, deputy registrars, poll workers, or absentee ballot clerks must be present before commencing; and three persons who are registrars, deputy registrars, or absentee ballot clerks shall be present at all times while the ~~outer~~ absentee ballot envelopes are being opened and the absentee ballots are being scanned. ~~After opening the outer envelopes, the ballots shall be safely and securely stored until the time for tabulating such ballots.~~ However, no person shall tally, tabulate, estimate, or attempt to tally, tabulate, or estimate or cause the ballot scanner or any other equipment to produce any tally or tabulate, partial or otherwise, of the absentee ballots cast until the time for the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff except as provided in this Code section. Prior to beginning the process set forth in this paragraph, the superintendent shall provide written notice to the Secretary of State in writing at least seven days prior to processing and scanning absentee ballots. Such notice shall contain the dates, start and end times, and location or locations where absentee ballots will be processed and scanned. The superintendent shall also post such notice publicly in a prominent location in the superintendent's office and on the home page of the county election superintendent's website, if the county election superintendent maintains such a website. The Secretary of State shall publish on his or her website the information he or she receives from superintendents stating the dates, times, and locations where absentee ballots will be processed.

(B) The proceedings set forth in this paragraph shall be open to the view of the public, but no person except one employed and designated by the superintendent shall touch any ballot or ballot container. Any person involved in processing and scanning absentee ballots shall swear an oath, in the same form as the oath for poll officers provided in Code Section 21-2-95, prior to beginning the processing and

scanning of absentee ballots. The county executive committee or, if there is no organized county executive committee, the state executive committee of each political party and political body having candidates whose names appear on the ballot for such election shall have the right to designate two persons and each independent and nonpartisan candidate whose name appears on the ballot for such election shall have the right to designate one person to act as monitors for such process. In the event that the only issue to be voted upon in an election is a referendum question, the superintendent shall also notify in writing the chief judge of the superior court of the county who shall appoint two electors of the county to monitor such process. While viewing or monitoring the process set forth in this paragraph, monitors and observers shall be prohibited from:

(i) In any way interfering with the processing or scanning of absentee ballots or the conduct of the election;

(ii) Using or bringing into the room any photographic or other electronic monitoring or recording devices, cellular telephones, or computers;

(iii) Engaging in any form of campaigning or campaign activity;

(iv) Taking any action that endangers the secrecy and security of the ballots;

(v) Touching any ballot or ballot container;

(vi) Tallying, tabulating, estimating, or attempting to tally, tabulate, or estimate, whether partial or otherwise, any of the votes on the absentee ballots cast; and

(vii) Communicating any information that they see while monitoring the processing and scanning of the absentee ballots, whether intentionally or inadvertently, about any ballot, vote, or selection to anyone other than an election official who needs such information to lawfully carry out his or her official duties.

(C) The State Election Board shall promulgate rules requiring reconciliation procedures; prompt and undelayed scanning of ballots after absentee ballot envelopes are opened; secrecy of election results prior to the closing of the polls on the day of a primary, election, or runoff; and other protections to protect the integrity of the process set forth in this paragraph.

(3) A county election superintendent may, in his or her discretion, after 7:00 A.M. on the day of the primary, election, or runoff ~~open the inner envelopes in accordance with the procedures prescribed in this subsection and~~ begin tabulating the absentee ballots. If the county election superintendent chooses to open the inner envelopes and begin tabulating such ballots prior to the close of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, the superintendent shall notify in writing, at least seven days prior to the primary, election, or runoff, the Secretary of State of the superintendent's intent to begin the absentee ballot tabulation prior to the close of the polls. The county executive committee or, if there is no organized county executive committee, the state executive committee of each political party and political body having candidates whose names appear on the ballot for such election in such county shall have the right to designate two persons and each independent and nonpartisan candidate whose name appears on the ballot for such election in such county shall have the right to designate one person to act as monitors for such process. In the event that the only

issue to be voted upon in an election is a referendum question, the superintendent shall also notify in writing the chief judge of the superior court of the county who shall appoint two electors of the county to monitor such process.

(4) The county election superintendent shall publish a written notice in the superintendent's office of the superintendent's intent to begin the absentee ballot tabulation prior to the close of the polls and publish such notice at least one week prior to the primary, election, or runoff in the legal organ of the county.

(5) The process for opening ~~the inner~~ absentee ballot envelopes, scanning absentee ballots, ~~of~~ and tabulating absentee ballots on the day of a primary, election, or runoff as provided in this subsection shall be ~~a confidential process~~ conducted in a manner to maintain the secrecy of all ballots and to protect the disclosure of any balloting information before 7:00 P.M. on election day. No absentee ballots shall be tabulated before 7:00 A.M. on the day of a primary, election, or runoff.

(6) All persons conducting the tabulation of absentee ballots during the day of a primary, election, or runoff, including the vote review panel required by Code Section 21-2-483, and all monitors and observers shall be sequestered until the time for the closing of the polls. All such persons shall have no contact with the news media; shall have no contact with other persons not involved in monitoring, observing, or conducting the tabulation; shall not use any type of communication device including radios, telephones, and cellular telephones; shall not utilize computers for the purpose of ~~e-mail~~ email, instant messaging, or other forms of communication; and shall not communicate any information concerning the tabulation until the time for the closing of the polls; provided, however, that supervisory and technical assistance personnel shall be permitted to enter and leave the area in which the tabulation is being conducted but shall not communicate any information concerning the tabulation to anyone other than the county election superintendent; the staff of the superintendent; those persons conducting, observing, or monitoring the tabulation; and those persons whose technical assistance is needed for the tabulation process to operate.

(7) The absentee ballots shall be tabulated in accordance with the procedures of this chapter for the tabulation of absentee ballots. As such ballots are tabulated, they shall be placed into locked ballot boxes and may be transferred to locked ballot bags, if needed, for security. The persons conducting the tabulation of the absentee ballots shall not cause the tabulating equipment to produce any count, partial or otherwise, of the absentee votes cast until the time for the closing of the polls except as otherwise provided in this Code section.

(b) When requested by the superintendent, but not earlier than the third Monday prior to a primary, election, or runoff ~~As soon as practicable after 7:00 A.M. on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, in precincts other than those in which optical scanning tabulators are used~~, a registrar or absentee ballot clerk shall deliver the official absentee ballot of each certified absentee elector, each rejected absentee ballot, applications for such ballots, and copies of the numbered lists of certified and rejected absentee electors to the ~~manager in charge of the absentee ballot precinct of the county or municipality, which shall be located in the precincts containing the county courthouse or polling~~

~~place designated by the municipal superintendent. In those precincts in which optical scanning tabulators are used, such absentee ballots shall be taken to the tabulation center or other place~~ location designated by the superintendent, and the superintendent or official receiving such absentee ballots shall issue his or her receipt therefor. ~~Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, in no event shall the counting of the ballots begin before the polls close.~~

(c) The superintendent shall cause the verified and accepted absentee ballots to be opened and tabulated as provided in this Code section. A ~~Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, after the close of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, a~~ manager shall then open the outer envelope in such manner as not to destroy the oath printed thereon and shall deposit the inner envelope marked 'Official Absentee Ballot' in a ballot box reserved for absentee ballots. In the event that an outer envelope is found to contain an absentee ballot that is not in an inner envelope, the ballot shall be sealed in an inner envelope, initialed and dated by the person sealing the inner envelope, and deposited in the ballot box and counted in the same manner as other absentee ballots, provided that such ballot is otherwise proper. Such manager with two assistant managers, appointed by the superintendent, with such clerks as the manager deems necessary shall count the absentee ballots following the procedures prescribed by this chapter for other ballots, insofar as practicable~~, and prepare an election return for the county or municipality showing the results of the absentee ballots cast in such county or municipality~~.

(d) All absentee ballots shall be counted and tabulated in such a manner that returns may be reported by precinct; and separate returns shall be made for each precinct in which absentee ballots were cast showing the results by each precinct in which the electors reside. The superintendent shall utilize the procedures set forth in this Code section to ensure that the returns of verified and accepted absentee ballots cast are reported to the public as soon as possible following the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff. Failure to utilize these procedures to ensure that the returns of verified and accepted absentee ballots are reported as soon as possible following the close of polls shall subject the superintendent to sanctions by the State Election Board. If a superintendent fails to report the returns of verified and accepted absentee ballots by the day following the election at 5:00 P.M., the State Election Board may convene an independent performance review board pursuant to Code Section 21-2-107.

(e) If an absentee elector's right to vote has been challenged for cause, a poll officer shall write 'Challenged,' the elector's name, and the alleged cause of challenge on the outer envelope and shall deposit the ballot in a secure, sealed ballot box; and it shall be counted as other challenged ballots are counted. Where direct recording electronic voting systems are used for absentee balloting and a challenge to an elector's right to vote is made prior to the time that the elector votes, the elector shall vote on a paper or optical scanning ballot and such ballot shall be handled as provided in this subsection. The board of registrars or absentee ballot clerk shall promptly notify the elector of such challenge.

(f) It shall be unlawful at any time prior to the close of the polls for any person to disclose or for any person to receive any information regarding the results of the tabulation of absentee ballots except as expressly provided by law."

**SECTION 30.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-390, relating to delivery of election materials to clerk of superior court or city clerk after primary or election and accounting for ballots by registrars or municipal absentee ballot clerks, by designating the existing text as subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) The Secretary of State shall be authorized to inspect and audit the information contained in the absentee ballot applications or envelopes at his or her discretion at any time during the 24 month retention period. Such audit may be conducted state wide or in selected counties or cities and may include the auditing of a statistically significant sample of the envelopes or a full audit of all of such envelopes. For this purpose, the Secretary of State or his or her authorized agents shall have access to such envelopes in the custody of the clerk of superior court or city clerk."

**SECTION 31.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-2-403, relating to time for opening and closing of polls, by redesignating the existing text as subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) Poll hours at a precinct may be extended only by order of a judge of the superior court of the county in which the precinct is located upon good cause shown by clear and convincing evidence that persons were unable to vote at that precinct during a specific period or periods of time. Poll hours shall not be extended longer than the total amount of time during which persons were unable to vote at such precinct. Any order extending poll hours at a precinct beyond 9:00 P.M. shall be by written order with specific findings of fact supporting such extension."

**SECTION 32.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (c) and (e) of Code Section 21-2-408, relating to poll watchers, designation, duties, removal for interference with election, reports by poll watchers of infractions or irregularities, and ineligibility of candidates to serve as poll watchers, as follows:

"(c) In counties or municipalities using direct recording electronic (DRE) voting systems or optical scanning voting systems, each political party may appoint two poll watchers in each primary or election, each political body may appoint two poll watchers in each election, each nonpartisan candidate may appoint one poll watcher in each nonpartisan election, and each independent candidate may appoint one poll watcher in each election to serve in the locations designated by the superintendent within the tabulating center. Such designated locations shall include the check-in area, the computer room, the duplication area, and such other areas as the superintendent may deem necessary to the assurance of fair and honest procedures in the tabulating center.

The locations designated by the superintendent shall ensure that each poll watcher can fairly observe the procedures set forth in this Code section. The poll watchers provided for in this subsection shall be appointed and serve in the same manner as other poll watchers."

"(e) No person shall be appointed or be eligible to serve as a poll watcher in any primary or election in which such person is a candidate. No person shall be eligible to serve as a poll watcher unless he or she has completed training provided by the political party, political body, or candidate designating the poll watcher. Upon request, the Secretary of State shall make available material to each political party, political body, or candidate that can be utilized in such training but it shall be the responsibility of the political party, political body, or candidate designating the poll watcher to instruct poll watchers in their duties and in applicable laws and rules and regulations. Each political party, political body, or candidate shall, in their written designation of poll watchers, certify under oath that the named poll watchers have completed the training required by this Code section."

**SECTION 33.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (e) of Code Section 21-2-414, relating to restrictions on campaign activities and public opinion polling within the vicinity of a polling place, cellular phone use prohibited, prohibition of candidates from entering certain polling places, and penalty, as follows:

"(a) No person shall solicit votes in any manner or by any means or method, nor shall any person distribute or display any campaign material, nor shall any person give, offer to give, or participate in the giving of any money or gifts, including, but not limited to, food and drink, to an elector, nor shall any person solicit signatures for any petition, nor shall any person, other than election officials discharging their duties, establish or set up any tables or booths on any day in which ballots are being cast:

(1) Within 150 feet of the outer edge of any building within which a polling place is established;

(2) Within any polling place; or

(3) Within 25 feet of any voter standing in line to vote at any polling place.

These restrictions shall not apply to conduct occurring in private offices or areas which cannot be seen or heard by such electors."

"(e) This Code section shall not be construed to prohibit a poll officer from distributing materials, as required by law, which are necessary for the purpose of instructing electors or from distributing materials prepared by the Secretary of State which are designed solely for the purpose of encouraging voter participation in the election being conducted or from making available self-service water from an unattended receptacle to an elector waiting in line to vote."

**SECTION 34.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 21-2-418, relating to provisional ballots, as follows:

"(a) If a person presents himself or herself at a polling place, absentee polling place, or registration office in his or her county of residence in this state for the purpose of casting a ballot in a primary or election stating a good faith belief that he or she has timely registered to vote in such county of residence in such primary or election and the person's name does not appear on the list of registered electors, the person shall be entitled to cast a provisional ballot in his or her county of residence in this state as provided in this Code section. If the person presents himself or herself at a polling place in the county in which he or she is registered to vote, but not at the precinct at which he or she is registered to vote, the poll officials shall inform the person of the polling location for the precinct where such person is registered to vote. The poll officials shall also inform such person that any votes cast by a provisional ballot in the wrong precinct will not be counted unless it is cast after 5:00 P.M. and before the regular time for the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff and unless the person executes a sworn statement, witnessed by the poll official, stating that he or she is unable to vote at his or her correct polling place prior to the closing of the polls and giving the reason therefor.

(b) Such person voting a provisional ballot shall complete an official voter registration form and a provisional ballot voting certificate which shall include information about the place, manner, and approximate date on which the person registered to vote. The person shall swear or affirm in writing that he or she previously registered to vote in such primary or election, is eligible to vote in such primary or election, has not voted previously in such primary or election, and meets the criteria for registering to vote in such primary or election. If the person is voting a provisional ballot in the county in which he or she is registered to vote but not at the precinct in which he or she is registered to vote during the period from 5:00 P.M. to the regular time for the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, the person shall execute a sworn statement, witnessed by the poll official, stating that he or she is unable to vote at his or her correct polling place prior to the closing of the polls and giving the reason therefor. The form of the provisional ballot voting certificate shall be prescribed by the Secretary of State. The person shall also present the identification required by Code Section 21-2-417."

**SECTION 35.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-419, relating to validation of provisional ballots and reporting to Secretary of State, as follows:

"21-2-419.

(a) A person shall cast a provisional ballot on the same type of ballot that is utilized by the county or municipality. Such provisional ballot shall be sealed in double envelopes as provided in Code Section 21-2-384 and shall be deposited by the person casting such ballot in a secure, sealed ballot box.

(b) At the earliest time possible after the casting of a provisional ballot, but no later than the day after the primary or election in which such provisional ballot was cast, the board of registrars of the county or municipality, as the case may be, shall be notified

by the election superintendent that provisional ballots were cast in the primary or election and the registrars shall be provided with the documents completed by the person casting the provisional ballot as provided in Code Section 21-2-418. Provisional ballots shall be securely maintained by the election superintendent until a determination has been made concerning their status. The board of registrars shall immediately examine the information contained on such documents and make a good faith effort to determine whether the person casting the provisional ballot was entitled to vote in the primary or election. Such good faith effort shall include a review of all available voter registration documentation, including registration information made available by the electors themselves and documentation of modifications or alterations of registration data showing changes to an elector's registration status. Additional sources of information may include, but are not limited to, information from the Department of Driver Services, Department of Family and Children Services, Department of Natural Resources, public libraries, or any other agency of government including, but not limited to, other county election and registration offices.

(c)(1) If the registrars determine after the polls close, but not later than three days following the primary or election, that the person casting the provisional ballot timely registered to vote and was eligible and entitled to vote in the precinct in which he or she voted in such primary or election, the registrars shall notify the election superintendent and the provisional ballot shall be counted and included in the county's or municipality's certified election results.

(2) If the registrars determine after the polls close, but not later than three days following the primary or election, that the person voting the provisional ballot timely registered and was eligible and entitled to vote in the primary or election but voted in the wrong precinct, then the board of registrars shall notify the election superintendent only if such person voted between the hours of 5:00 P.M. and the regular time for the closing of the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff and provided the sworn statement required by subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-418. The superintendent shall count such person's votes which were cast for candidates in those races for which the person was entitled to vote but shall not count the votes cast for candidates in those races in which such person was not entitled to vote. The superintendent shall order the proper election official at the tabulating center or precinct to prepare an accurate duplicate ballot containing only those votes cast by such person in those races in which such person was entitled to vote for processing at the tabulating center or precinct, which shall be verified in the presence of a witness. Such duplicate ballot shall be clearly labeled with the word 'Duplicate,' shall bear the designation of the polling place, and shall be given the same serial number as the original ballot. The original ballot shall be retained and the sworn statement required by subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-418 shall be transmitted to the Secretary of State with the certification documents required by paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-497 and such statement shall be reviewed by the State Election Board.

(3) If the registrars determine that the person casting the provisional ballot did not

timely register to vote or was not eligible or entitled to vote in the precinct in which he or she voted in such primary or election or shall be unable to determine within three days following such primary or election whether such person timely registered to vote and was eligible and entitled to vote in such primary or election, the registrars shall so notify the election superintendent and such ballot shall not be counted. The election superintendent shall mark or otherwise document that such ballot was not counted and shall deliver and store such ballots with all other ballots and election materials as provided in Code Section 21-2-500.

(d)(1) At the earliest time possible after a determination is made regarding a provisional ballot, the board of registrars shall notify in writing those persons whose provisional ballots were not counted that their ballots were not counted because of the inability of the registrars to verify that the persons timely registered to vote or other proper reason. The registrars shall process the official voter registration form completed by such persons pursuant to Code Section 21-2-418 and shall add such persons to the electors list if found qualified.

(2) At the earliest time possible after a determination is made regarding a provisional ballot, the board of registrars shall notify in writing those electors who voted in the wrong precinct and whose votes were partially counted of their correct precinct.

(e) The board of registrars shall complete a report in a form designated by the Secretary of State indicating the number of provisional ballots cast and counted in the primary or election."

**SECTION 36.**

Said chapter is further amended in Part 1 of Article 11, relating to general provisions regarding preparation for and conduct of primaries and elections, by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"21-2-420.

(a) After the time for the closing of the polls and the last elector voting, the poll officials in each precinct shall complete the required accounting and related documentation for the precinct and shall advise the election superintendent of the total number of ballots cast at such precinct and the total number of provisional ballots cast. The chief manager and at least one assistant manager shall post a copy of the tabulated results for the precinct on the door of the precinct and then immediately deliver all required documentation and election materials to the election superintendent. The election superintendent shall then ensure that such ballots are processed, counted, and tabulated as soon as possible and shall not cease such count and tabulation until all such ballots are counted and tabulated.

(b) The election superintendent shall ensure that each precinct notifies the election superintendent of the number of ballots cast and number of provisional ballots cast as soon as possible after the time for the closing of the polls and the last elector votes. The election superintendent shall post such information publicly. The State Election Board shall promulgate rules and regulations regarding how such information shall be publicly posted to ensure transparency, accuracy, and security.

21-2-421.

(a) As soon as possible but not later than 10:00 P.M. following the close of the polls on the day of a primary, election, or runoff, the election superintendent shall report to the Secretary of State and post in a prominent public place the following information:

(1) The number of ballots cast at the polls on the day of the primary, election, or runoff, including provisional ballots cast;

(2) The number of ballots cast at advance voting locations during the advance voting period for the primary, election, or runoff; and

(3) The total number of absentee ballots returned to the board of registrars by the deadline to receive such absentee ballots on the day of the primary, election, or runoff.

(b) Upon the completion of the report provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section, the election superintendent shall compare the total number of ballots received as reported in subsection (a) of this Code section and the counting of the ballots in the primary, election, or runoff minus any rejected and uncured absentee ballots, uncounted provisional ballots, and any other uncounted ballots, with the total number of ballots cast in the primary, election, or runoff. The results of such comparison and all explanatory materials shall be reported to the Secretary of State. The reason for any discrepancy shall be fully investigated and reported to the Secretary of State."

**SECTION 37.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (d) of Code Section 21-2-437, relating to procedure as to count and return of votes generally and void ballots, as follows:

"(a) After the polls close and as soon as all the ballots have been properly accounted for and those outside the ballot box as well as the voter's certificates, numbered list of voters, and electors list have been sealed, the poll officers shall open the ballot box and take therefrom all ballots contained therein. In primaries in which more than one ballot box is used, any ballots or stubs belonging to another party holding its primary in the same polling place shall be returned to the ballot box for the party for which they were issued. In primaries, separate tally and return sheets shall be prepared for each party, and separate poll officers shall be designated by the chief manager to count and tally each party's ballot. Where the same ballot box is being used by one or more parties, the ballots and stubs shall first be divided by party before being tallied and counted. The ballots shall then be counted one by one and a record made of the total number. Then the chief manager, together with such assistant managers and other poll officers as the chief manager may designate, under the scrutiny of one of the assistant managers and in the presence of the other poll officers, shall read aloud the names of the candidates marked or written upon each ballot, together with the office for which the person named is a candidate, and the answers contained on the ballots to the questions submitted, if any; and the other assistant manager and clerks shall carefully enter each vote as read and keep account of the same in ink on a sufficient number of tally papers,

all of which shall be made at the same time. All ballots, after being removed from the box, shall be kept within the unobstructed view of all persons in the voting room until replaced in the box. No person, while handling the ballots, shall have in his or her hand any pencil, pen, stamp, or other means of marking or spoiling any ballot. The poll officers shall immediately proceed to canvass and compute the votes cast and shall not adjourn or postpone the canvass or computation until it shall have been fully completed~~, except that, in the discretion of the superintendent, the poll officers may stop the counting after all contested races and questions are counted, provided that the results of these contested races and questions are posted for the information of the public outside the polling place and the ballots are returned to the ballot box and deposited with the superintendent until counting is resumed on the following day~~."

"(d) Any ballot marked so as to identify the voter shall be void and not counted, except a ballot cast by a challenged elector whose name appears on the electors list; such challenged vote shall be counted as prima facie valid but may be voided in the event of an election contest. Any ballot marked by anything but pen or pencil shall be void and not counted. Any erasure, mutilation, or defect in the vote for any candidate shall render void the vote for such candidate but shall not invalidate the votes cast on the remainder of the ballot, if otherwise properly marked. If an elector shall mark his or her ballot for more persons for any nomination or office than there are candidates to be voted for such nomination or office, or if, for any reason, it may be impossible to determine his or her choice for any nomination or office, his or her ballot shall not be counted for such nomination or office; but the ballot shall be counted for all nominations or offices for which it is properly marked. Unmarked ballots or ballots improperly or defectively marked so that the whole ballot is void shall be set aside and shall be preserved with other ballots. In primaries, votes cast for candidates who have died, withdrawn, or been disqualified shall be void and shall not be counted. Except as provided in subsection (g) of Code Section 21-2-134 regarding nonpartisan elections, in ~~In~~ elections, votes for candidates who have died or been disqualified shall be void and shall not be counted."

**SECTION 38.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-438, relating to ballots identifying voter, not marked, or improperly marked declared void, as follows:

"(a) Any ballot marked so as to identify the voter shall be void and not counted, except a ballot cast by a challenged elector whose name appears on the electors list; such challenged vote shall be counted as prima facie valid but may be voided in the event of an election contest. Any ballot marked by anything but pen or pencil shall be void and not counted. Any erasure, mutilation, or defect in the vote for any candidate shall render void the vote for such candidate but shall not invalidate the votes cast on the remainder of the ballot, if otherwise properly marked. If an elector shall mark his or her ballot for more persons for any nomination or office than there are candidates to be voted for such nomination or office, or if, for any reason, it may be impossible to

determine his or her choice for any nomination or office, his or her ballot shall not be counted for such nomination or office; but the ballot shall be counted for all nominations or offices for which it is properly marked. Ballots not marked or improperly or defectively marked so that the whole ballot is void~~,~~ shall be set aside and shall be preserved with the other ballots. In primaries, votes cast for candidates who have died, withdrawn, or been disqualified shall be void and shall not be counted. Except as provided in subsection (g) of Code Section 21-2-134 regarding nonpartisan elections, in ~~In~~ elections, votes for candidates who have died or been disqualified shall be void and shall not be counted."

**SECTION 38A.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-480, relating to caption for ballots, party designations, and form and arrangement, as follows:

"(a) At the top of each ballot for an election in a precinct using optical scanning voting equipment shall be printed in prominent type the words 'OFFICIAL BALLOT,' followed by the name and designation of the precinct for which it is prepared and the name and date of the election."

**SECTION 38B.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-482, relating to absentee ballots for precincts using optical scanning voting equipment, as follows:

"21-2-482.

Ballots in a precinct using optical scanning voting equipment for voting by absentee electors shall be prepared sufficiently in advance by the superintendent and shall be delivered to the board of registrars as provided in Code Section 21-2-384. Such ballots shall be marked 'Official Absentee Ballot' and shall be in substantially the form for ballots required by Article 8 of this chapter, except that in counties or municipalities using voting machines, direct recording electronic (DRE) units, or ballot scanners, the ballots may be in substantially the form for the ballot labels required by Article 9 of this chapter or in such form as will allow the ballot to be machine tabulated. Every such ballot shall have printed on the face thereof the following:

'I understand that the offer or acceptance of money or any other object of value to vote for any particular candidate, list of candidates, issue, or list of issues included in this election constitutes an act of voter fraud and is a felony under Georgia law.'

The form for either ballot shall be determined and prescribed by the Secretary of State and shall have printed at the top the name and designation of the precinct."

**SECTION 39.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (f) of Code Section 21-2-483, relating to counting of ballots, public accessibility to tabulating center and precincts, execution of ballot recap forms, and preparation of duplicate ballots, as follows:

"(f) If it appears that a ballot is so torn, bent, or otherwise defective that it cannot be processed by the tabulating machine, the superintendent, in his or her discretion, may

order ~~the proper election official at the tabulating center or precinct~~ a duplication panel to prepare a true duplicate copy for processing ~~with the ballots of the same polling place, which shall be verified in the presence of a witness~~. In a partisan election, the duplication panel shall be composed of the election superintendent or a designee thereof and one person appointed by the county executive committee of each political party having candidates whose names appear on the ballot for such election, provided that, if there is no organized county executive committee for a political party, the person shall be appointed by the state executive committee of the political party. In a nonpartisan election or an election involving only the presentation of a question to the electors, the duplication panel shall be composed of the election superintendent or a designee thereof and two electors of the county or municipality. In the case of a nonpartisan county or municipal election or an election involving only the presentation of a question to the electors, the two elector members of the panel shall be appointed by the chief judge of the superior court of the county or municipality in which the election is held. In the case of a municipality which is located in more than one county, the two elector members of the panel shall be appointed by the chief judge of the superior court of the county in which the city hall of the municipality is located. The election superintendent may create multiple duplication panels to handle the processing of such ballots more efficiently. All duplicate ballots shall be clearly labeled by the word 'duplicate,' shall bear the designation of the polling place, and shall ~~be given the same serial number as the defective ballot~~ contain a unique number that will allow such duplicate ballot to be linked back to the original ballot. The defective ballot shall be retained."

**SECTION 40.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-492, relating to computation and canvassing of returns, notice of when and where returns will be computed and canvassed, blank forms for making statements of returns, and swearing of assistants, as follows:

"21-2-492.

The superintendent shall arrange for the computation and canvassing of the returns of votes cast at each primary and election at his or her office or at some other convenient public place at the county seat or municipality following the close of the polls on the day of such primary or election with accommodations for those present insofar as space permits. An interested candidate or his or her representative shall be permitted to keep or check his or her own computation of the votes cast in the several precincts as the returns from the same are read, as directed in this article. The superintendent shall give at least one week's notice prior to the primary or election by publishing same in a conspicuous place in the superintendent's office, of the ~~time and~~ place ~~when and~~ where he or she will commence and hold his or her sessions for the computation and canvassing of the returns; and he or she shall keep copies of such notice posted in his or her office during such period. The superintendent shall procure a sufficient number of blank forms of returns made out in the proper manner and headed as the nature of the primary or election may require, for making out full and fair statements of all votes

which shall have been cast within the county or any precinct therein, according to the returns from the several precincts thereof, for any person voted for therein, or upon any question voted upon therein. The assistants of the superintendent in the computation and canvassing of the votes shall be first sworn by the superintendent to perform their duties impartially and not to read, write, count, or certify any return or vote in a false or fraudulent manner."

**SECTION 41.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (k) of Code Section 21-2-493, relating to computation, canvassing, and tabulation of returns, investigation of discrepancies in vote counts, recount procedure, certification of returns, and change in returns, and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(a) The superintendent shall, ~~at or before 12:00 Noon~~ after the close of the polls on the day ~~following the~~ of a primary or election, at his or her office or at some other convenient public place at the county seat or in the municipality, of which due notice shall have been given as provided by Code Section 21-2-492, publicly commence the computation and canvassing of the returns and continue ~~the same~~ until all absentee ballots received by the close of the polls, including those cast by advance voting, and all ballots cast on the day of the primary or election have been counted and tabulated and the results of such tabulation released to the public and, then, continuing with provisional ballots as provided in Code Sections 21-2-418 and 21-2-419 and those absentee ballots as provided in subparagraph (a)(1)(G) of Code Section 21-2-386 from day to day until completed. For this purpose, the superintendent may organize his or her assistants into sections, each of ~~which~~ whom may simultaneously proceed with the computation and canvassing of the returns from various precincts of the county or municipality in the manner provided by this Code section. Upon the completion of such computation and canvassing, the superintendent shall tabulate the figures for the entire county or municipality and sign, announce, and attest the same, as required by this Code section."

"(j.1) The Secretary of State shall create a pilot program for the posting of digital images of the scanned paper ballots created by the voting system.

(k) As the returns from each precinct are read, computed, and found to be correct or corrected as aforesaid, they shall be recorded on the blanks prepared for the purpose until all the returns from the various precincts which are entitled to be counted shall have been duly recorded; then they shall be added together, announced, and attested by the assistants who made and computed the entries respectively and shall be signed by the superintendent. The consolidated returns shall then be certified by the superintendent in the manner required by this chapter. Such returns shall be certified by the superintendent not later than 5:00 P.M. on the ~~second Friday~~ Monday following the date on which such election was held and such returns shall be immediately transmitted to the Secretary of State~~; provided, however, that such certification date may be extended by the Secretary of State in his or her discretion if necessary to complete a precertification audit as provided in Code Section 21-2-498~~."

**SECTION 42.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-501, relating to number of votes required for election, as follows:

"21-2-501.

(a)(1) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, no candidate shall be nominated for public office in any primary or special primary or elected to public office in any election or special election or shall take or be sworn into such elected public office unless such candidate shall have received a majority of the votes cast to fill such nomination or public office. In instances where no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, a run-off primary, special primary runoff, run-off election, or special election runoff between the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes shall be held. Unless such date is postponed by a court order, such ~~run-off primary, special primary runoff, run-off election, or special election~~ runoff shall be held ~~as provided in this subsection.~~

~~(2) In the case of a runoff from a general primary or a special primary or special election held in conjunction with a general primary, the runoff shall be held on the Tuesday of the ninth week following such general primary.~~

~~(3) In the case of a runoff from a general election for a federal office or a runoff from a special primary or special election for a federal office held in conjunction with a general election, the runoff shall be held on the Tuesday of the ninth week following such general election.~~

~~(4) In the case of a runoff from a general election for an office other than a federal office or a runoff from a special primary or special election for an office other than a federal office held in conjunction with a general election, the runoff shall be held~~ on the twenty-eighth day after the day of holding the preceding general or special primary or general or special election.

~~(5) In the case of a runoff from a special primary or special election for a federal office not held in conjunction with a general primary or general election, the runoff shall be held on the Tuesday of the ninth week following such special primary or special election.~~

~~(6) In the case of a runoff from a special primary or special election for an office other than a federal office not held in conjunction with a general primary or general election, the runoff shall be held on the twenty-eighth day after the day of holding the preceding special primary or special election; provided, however, that, if such runoff is from a special primary or special election held in conjunction with a special primary or special election for a federal office and there is a runoff being conducted for such federal office, the runoff from the special primary or special election conducted for such other office may be held in conjunction with the runoff for the federal office.~~

~~(7)~~(2) If any candidate eligible to be in a runoff withdraws, dies, or is found to be ineligible, the remaining candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes shall be the candidates in the runoff.

~~(8)~~(3) The candidate receiving the highest number of the votes cast in such run-off primary, special primary runoff, run-off election, or special election runoff to fill the nomination or public office sought shall be declared the winner.

~~(9)~~(4) The name of a write-in candidate eligible for election in a runoff shall be printed on the election or special election run-off ballot in the independent column.

~~(10)~~(5) The run-off primary, special primary runoff, run-off election, or special election runoff shall be a continuation of the primary, special primary, election, or special election for the particular office concerned. Only the electors who ~~were~~ are duly registered to vote and not subsequently deemed disqualified to vote in the ~~primary, special primary, election, or special election~~ runoff for candidates for that particular office shall be entitled to vote therein, and only those votes cast for the persons designated as candidates in such run-off primary, special primary runoff, run-off election, or special election runoff shall be counted in the tabulation and canvass of the votes cast. No elector shall vote in a run-off primary or special primary runoff in violation of Code Section 21-2-224.

(b) For the purposes of this subsection, the word 'plurality' shall mean the receiving by one candidate alone of the highest number of votes cast. If the municipal charter or ordinances of a municipality as now existing or as amended subsequent to September 1, 1968, provide that a candidate may be nominated or elected by a plurality of the votes cast to fill such nomination or public office, such provision shall prevail. Otherwise, no municipal candidate shall be nominated for public office in any primary or elected to public office in any election unless such candidate shall have received a majority of the votes cast to fill such nomination or public office.

(c) In instances in which no municipal candidate receives a majority of the votes cast and the municipal charter or ordinances do not provide for nomination or election by a plurality vote, a run-off primary or election shall be held between the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes. Such runoff shall be held on the twenty-eighth day after the day of holding the first primary or election, unless such run-off date is postponed by court order.~~; provided, however, that, in the case of a runoff from a municipal special election that is held in conjunction with a special election for a federal office and not in conjunction with a general primary or general election, the municipality may conduct such runoff from such municipal special election on the date of the special election runoff for the federal office. Only the electors entitled to vote in the first primary or election shall be entitled to vote in any run-off primary or election resulting therefrom; provided, however, that no~~ No elector shall vote in a run-off primary in violation of Code Section 21-2-216. The run-off primary or election shall be a continuation of the first primary or election, and only those votes cast for the candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes in the first primary or election shall be counted. No write-in votes may be cast in such a primary, run-off primary, or run-off election. If any candidate eligible to be in a runoff withdraws, dies, or is found to be ineligible, the remaining candidates receiving the two highest numbers of votes shall be the candidates in such runoff. The municipal candidate receiving the highest number of the votes cast in such run-off primary or run-off election to fill the

nomination or public office sought shall be declared the winner. The municipality shall give written notice to the Secretary of State of such runoff as soon as such municipality certifies the preceding primary, special primary, election, or special election.

(d) The name of a municipal write-in candidate eligible for election in a municipal runoff shall be printed on the municipal run-off election ballot in the independent column.

(e) In all cities having a population in excess of 100,000 according to the United States decennial census of 1980 or any future such census, in order for a municipal candidate to be nominated for public office in any primary or elected to public office in any municipal election, he or she must receive a majority of the votes cast.

(f) Except for presidential electors, to be elected to public office in a general election, a candidate must receive a majority of the votes cast in an election to fill such public office. To be elected to the office of presidential electors, no slate of candidates shall be required to receive a majority of the votes cast, but that slate of candidates shall be elected to such office which receives the highest number of votes cast."

**SECTION 43.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-540, relating to conduct of special elections generally, as follows:

"21-2-540.

(a)(1) Every special primary and special election shall be held and conducted in all respects in accordance with the provisions of this chapter relating to general primaries and general elections; and the provisions of this chapter relating to general primaries and general elections shall apply thereto insofar as practicable and as not inconsistent with any other provisions of this chapter. All special primaries and special elections held at the time of a general primary, as provided by Code Section 21-2-541, shall be conducted by the poll officers by the use of the same equipment and facilities, insofar as practicable, as are used for such general primary. All special primaries and special elections held at the time of a general election, as provided by Code Section 21-2-541, shall be conducted by the poll officers by the use of the same equipment and facilities, ~~so far~~ insofar as practicable, as are used for such general election.

(2) If a vacancy occurs in a partisan office to which the Governor is authorized to appoint an individual to serve until the next general election, a special primary shall precede the special election.

(b) At least 29 days shall intervene between the call of a special primary and the holding of same, and at least 29 days shall intervene between the call of a special election and the holding of same. The period during which candidates may qualify to run in a special primary or a special election shall remain open for a minimum of two and one-half days. Special primaries and special elections which are to be held in conjunction with the presidential preference primary, a state-wide general primary, or state-wide general election shall be called at least 90 days prior to the date of such presidential preference primary, state-wide general primary, or state-wide general election; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply to special primaries

and special elections held on the same date as such presidential preference primary, state-wide general primary, or state-wide general election but conducted completely separate and apart from such state-wide general primary or state-wide general election using different ballots or voting equipment, facilities, poll workers, and paperwork. ~~Notwithstanding any provision of this subsection to the contrary, special elections which are to be held in conjunction with the state-wide general primary or state-wide general election in 2014 shall be called at least 60 days prior to the date of such state-wide general primary or state-wide general election.~~

(c)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a special primary or special election to fill a vacancy in a county or municipal office shall be held only on one of the following dates which is at least 29 days after the date of the call for the special election:

(A) In odd-numbered years, any such special primary or special election shall only be held on:

(i) The third Tuesday in March;

(ii) The third Tuesday in June;

(iii) The third Tuesday in September; or

(iv) The Tuesday after the first Monday in November; and

(B) In even-numbered years, any such special primary or special election shall only be held on:

(i) The third Tuesday in March; provided, however, that in the event that a special primary or special election is to be held under this provision in a year in which a presidential preference primary is to be held, then any such special primary or special election shall be held on the date of and in conjunction with the presidential preference primary;

(ii) The date of the general primary; or

(iii) The Tuesday after the first Monday in November;

provided, however, that, in the event that a special primary or special election to fill a federal or state office on a date other than the dates provided in this paragraph has been scheduled and it is possible to hold a special primary or special election to fill a vacancy in a county, municipal, or school board office in conjunction with such special primary or special election to fill a federal or state office, the special primary or special election to fill such county, municipal, or school board office may be held on the date of and in conjunction with such special primary or special election to fill such federal or state office, provided all other provisions of law regarding such primaries and elections are met.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a special election to present a question to the voters shall be held only on one of the following dates which is at least 29 days after the date of the call for the special election:

(A) In odd-numbered years, any such special election shall only be held on the third Tuesday in March or on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November; and

(B) In even-numbered years, any such special election shall only be held on:

(i) The date of and in conjunction with the presidential preference primary if one

is held that year;

(ii) The date of the general primary; or

(iii) The Tuesday after the first Monday in November.

(3) The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to:

(A) Special elections held pursuant to Chapter 4 of this title, the 'Recall Act of 1989,' to recall a public officer or to fill a vacancy in a public office caused by a recall election; and

(B) Special primaries or special elections to fill vacancies in federal or state public offices.

(d) Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, the superintendent of each county or municipality shall publish the call of the special primary or special election.

(e)(1) Candidates in special elections for partisan offices that are not preceded by special primaries shall be listed alphabetically on the ballot and may choose to designate on the ballot their party affiliation. The party affiliation selected by a candidate shall not be changed following the close of qualifying.

(2) Candidates in special primaries shall be listed alphabetically on the ballot."

**SECTION 44.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 21-2-541, relating to holding of special primary or election at time of general primary or election and inclusion of candidates and questions in special primary or election on ballot, as follows:

"(b) If the times specified for the closing of the registration list for a special primary or special election are the same as those for a general primary or general election, the candidates and questions in such special primary or special election shall be included on the ballot for such general primary or general election. In such an instance, the name of the office and the candidates in such special primary or special election shall appear on the ballot in the position where such names would ordinarily appear if such contest was a general primary or general election."

**SECTION 45.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-2-542, relating to special election for United States senator vacancy and temporary appointment by Governor, as follows:

"21-2-542.

Whenever a vacancy shall occur in the representation of this state in the Senate of the United States, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the vote of the electors of the state at a special primary to be held at the time of the next general primary followed by a special election to be held at the time of the next November state-wide general election, occurring at least 40 days after the occurrence of such vacancy; and it shall be the duty of the Governor to issue his or her proclamation for such special primary and special election. Until such time as the vacancy shall be filled by an election as provided in this Code section, the Governor may make a temporary

appointment to fill such vacancy."

**SECTION 46.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 14, relating to special elections and primaries generally and municipal terms of office, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-2-546.

Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, in each county in this state in which there is a civil and magistrate court established by local Act of the General Assembly, vacancies in the office of chief judge of such court caused by death, retirement, resignation, or otherwise shall be filled by the appointment of a qualified person by the Governor to serve until a successor is duly elected and qualified and until January 1 of the year following the next general election which is more than six months following such person's appointment."

**SECTION 47.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-568, relating to entry into voting compartment or booth while another voting, interfering with elector, inducing elector to reveal or revealing elector's vote, and influencing voter while assisting, as follows:

"(a) Any person who knowingly:

(1) Goes into the voting compartment or voting machine booth while another is voting or marks the ballot or registers the vote for another, except in strict accordance with this chapter;

(2) Interferes with any elector marking his or her ballot or registering his or her vote;

(3) Attempts to induce any elector ~~before depositing his or her ballot~~ to show how he or she marks or has marked his or her ballot; ~~or~~

(4) Discloses to anyone how another elector voted, without said elector's consent, except when required to do so in any legal proceeding; or

(5) Accepts an absentee ballot from an elector for delivery or return to the board of registrars except as authorized by subsection (a) of Code Section 21-2-385

shall be guilty of a felony."

**SECTION 48.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 15, relating to miscellaneous offenses, by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"21-2-568.1.

(a) Except while providing authorized assistance in voting under Code Section 21-2-409 and except for children authorized to be in the enclosed space under subsection (f) of Code Section 21-2-413, no person shall intentionally observe an elector while casting a ballot in a manner that would allow such person to see for whom or what the elector is voting.

(b) Any person who violates the provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a felony.

21-2-568.2.

(a) It shall be illegal for any person to use photographic or other electronic monitoring or recording devices, cameras, or cellular telephones, except as authorized by law, to:

(1) Photograph or record the face of an electronic ballot marker while a ballot is being voted or while an elector's votes are displayed on such electronic ballot marker; or

(2) Photograph or record a voted ballot.

(b) Any person who violates subsection (a) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

**SECTION 49.**

Chapter 35 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to home rule powers, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 36-35-4.1, relating to reapportionment of election districts for municipal elections, as follows:

"(a) Subject to the limitations provided by this Code section, the governing authority of any municipal corporation is authorized to reapportion the election districts from which members of the municipal governing authority are elected following publication of the United States decennial census of 1980 or any future such census. Such reapportionment of districts shall be effective for the election of members to the municipal governing authority at the next regular general municipal election following the publication of the decennial census; provided, however, that, if the publication of the decennial census occurs within 120 days of the next general or special municipal election, such reapportionment of districts shall be effective for any subsequent special election and the subsequent general municipal election."

**SECTION 50.**

Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 50-13-4, relating to procedural requirements for adoption, amendment, or repeal of rules, emergency rules, limitation on action to contest rule, and legislative override, as follows:

"(b) If any agency finds that an imminent peril to the public health, safety, or welfare, including but not limited to, summary processes such as quarantines, contrabands, seizures, and the like authorized by law without notice, requires adoption of a rule upon fewer than 30 days' notice and states in writing its reasons for that finding, it may proceed without prior notice or hearing or upon any abbreviated notice and hearing that it finds practicable to adopt an emergency rule. Any such rule adopted relative to a public health emergency shall be submitted as promptly as reasonably practicable to the House of Representatives and Senate Committees on Judiciary, provided that any such rule adopted relative to a state of emergency by the State Election Board shall be submitted as soon as practicable but not later than 20 days prior to the rule taking effect. Any emergency rule adopted by the State Election Board pursuant to the provisions of this subsection may be suspended upon the majority vote of the House of

Representatives or Senate Committees on Judiciary within ten days of the receipt of such rule by the committees. The rule may be effective for a period of not longer than 120 days but the adoption of an identical rule under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section is not precluded; provided, however, that such a rule adopted pursuant to discharge of responsibility under an executive order declaring a state of emergency or disaster exists as a result of a public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 38-3-3, shall be effective for the duration of the emergency or disaster and for a period of not more than 120 days thereafter."

**SECTION 51.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 50-18-71, relating to right of access to public records, timing, fees, denial of requests, and impact of electronic records, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(k) Scanned ballot images created by a voting system authorized by Chapter 2 of Title 21 shall be public records subject to disclosure under this article."

**SECTION 52.**

(a) Sections 21, 23, 25, 27, 28, and 29 of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.
(b) All other sections of this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 53.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Jordan of the 6th requested a ruling of the Chair as to the germaneness of the House substitute.

At 3:31 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease.

At 3:52 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The ruling of the Chair was that the House substitute was germane in that the subject matter of SB 202 was the administration of elections, and the subject matter of the House substitute to SB 202 also related to the administration of elections, including the technical details of elections and the appointment of elected officials.

Senator Jordan of the 6th objected to the consideration of the House substitute, as it lacked a Fiscal Note required by Senate Rule 3-1.4 and O.C.G.A. § 28-5-42.

The President ruled the House substitute did not have a significant financial impact on the state which required a fiscal note.

Senator Parent of the 42nd objected to the consideration of the House substitute, as it lacked

a Fiscal Note required by O.C.G.A. § 28-5-49.

The President ruled the substitute did not have a financial impact on local and county election boards needed to require a fiscal note.

Senator Burns of the 23rd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 202.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 34, nays 20; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 202.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 75. By Senators Jackson of the 41st, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Merritt of the 9th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 44-7-23 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to termination of residential lease after issuance of civil family violence order or criminal family violence order, notice, and occupancy, so as to provide for lease terminations for victims of stalking; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 234. By Senators Kennedy of the 18th, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Jones II of the 22nd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to civil practice, so as to provide for uniform laws governing mediation and participants in mediation; to provide for definitions; to provide for privileges against disclosure, admissibility, and discovery; to provide for waiver and preclusion of privilege; to provide for exceptions to privilege; to provide for confidentiality and mediator disclosure of conflicts; to provide for international commercial mediation and electronic signatures; to provide for uniformity of construction and severability; to provide for applicability; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 28. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Strickland of the 17th, Dixon of the 45th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 and Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code and domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children; to require annual training for juvenile court intake officers; to provide for the consideration of evidence, including hearsay evidence, in certain juvenile proceedings; to revise provisions relative to the Juvenile Code and the reporting of child abuse; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 218. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of office, so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 80. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Walker III of the 20th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide for standards for utilization review; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 153. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th and Tillery of the 19th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for GOAL academies; to provide for definitions; to provide for partnerships to establish GOAL academies as charter schools; to provide for the transition of system-collaborative state charter schools to GOAL academies; to provide for funding and for the calculation thereof; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

At 5:23 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 5:38 p.m.

At 5:49 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 6:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, so as to provide for economic analyses to be conducted for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to create the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians; to state legislative findings and intent; to provide for related matters; to provide for an automatic repeal; to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for a tax credit for medical equipment and supplies manufacturers and pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturers; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions and limitations on certain tax credits; to provide for tax credits for high-impact aerospace defense projects; to permit tax credits for port traffic increases to be applied against payroll withholding; to revise a job tax credit; to allow such tax credit to be taken in conjunction with certain other tax credits; to revise a manufacturing tax credit; to change jobs limit and revise the

requirements for such tax credit for certain projects; to change the aggregate credit cap for certain projects; to amend Code Section 33-1-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Agribusiness and Rural Jobs Act," so as to provide for a second round of funding and period for applications; to increase an application fee and provide for an annual maintenance fee; change certain reporting requirements; to revise and provide for definitions; to amend Code Section 48-7-40.34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for Class III railroads and reporting, so as to extend an income tax credit for expenditures on the maintenance of railroad track owned or leased by Class III railroads; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sales and use taxes, so as to extend the sunset date for the exemption for projects of regional significance; to exempt sales of tickets, fees, or charges for admission to certain fine arts performances or exhibitions from sales and use taxes; to provide for a definition; to provide for automatic repeal; to renew a sales tax exemption for maintenance and replacement parts used in machinery or equipment that is used to mix, agitate, and transport freshly mixed concrete; to extend the sunset provision for an exemption for sales taxes on certain tangible personal property sold or used to maintain, refit, or repair a boat during a single event; to provide for related matters; to provide for short titles; to provide for effective dates and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Part I of this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Tax Credit Return on Investment Act of 2021." Parts II through IV of this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Economic Renewal Act of 2021." Part V of this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Economic Recovery Act of 2021."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"28-5-41.1.

(a) An economic analysis shall include, but not be limited to, a good faith estimate as a result of the law or proposed law, on an annual basis for five years thereafter, of the following, on both a direct and indirect basis:

(1) Net change in state revenue;

(2) Net change in state expenditures, which shall include, but not be limited to, costs of administering the bill;

(3) Net change in economic activity; and

(4) If applicable, any net change in public benefit.

(b) On or before May 1 of each year, the chairperson of the House Committee on Ways

and Means and the chairperson of the Senate Finance Committee may each request up to five economic analyses, which requests shall be transmitted to the Department of Audits and Accounts which may contract with one or more independent auditors to complete all such analyses on or before December 1 of the year in which such analysis was requested. Each such request shall be limited to one existing provision of law or proposed law and shall specify one particular exemption, exclusion, or deduction from the base of a tax; credit against a tax; deferral of a tax; a rebate of taxes paid; tax abatement; or preferential tax rate to be analyzed.

(c) Copies of each completed economic analysis shall be provided to the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office.

(d) If a fiscal note is requested pursuant to Code Section 28-5-42 and a relevant economic analysis has been conducted within one year of such request, the Department of Audits and Accounts may prepare a summary of such economic analysis and attach it with the requested fiscal note."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new chapter to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 12

28-12-1.

(a) The General Assembly finds and determines that:

(1) It has been many years since there has been any systematic study of the State of Georgia's revenue structure, and there exists a need for such study today;

(2) Such study and the formulation of recommendations for tax structure changes which may be recommended as a result can be best carried out through the council established by this chapter; and

(3) Enactment of the recommendations from such process, if deemed appropriate at the 2022 session of the General Assembly, may be best carried out through a deliberative and specific legislative process.

(b) It is the intention of the General Assembly that the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians created in Code Section 28-12-2 shall during 2021 conduct a thorough study of the state's current revenue structure and make a report of its findings and recommendations for legislation to the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Lieutenant Governor no later than January 10, 2022.

28-12-2.

(a) There is created the 2021 Special Council on Tax Reform and Fairness for Georgians which shall consist of 13 members and one ex officio, nonvoting member as follows:

(1) Three individuals, each of whom are economists or certified public accountants, to be appointed one each by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(2) Governor Brian Kemp, or his designee;

(3) Lieutenant Governor Geoff Duncan, or his designee;
(4) Speaker of the House of Representatives David Ralston, or his designee;
(5) An economist or a certified public accountant jointly agreed to by the minority leaders of the House of Representatives and the Senate;
(6) The 2021 Georgia state director for the National Federation of Independent Business;
(7) Two nonlegislative members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and two nonlegislative members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
(8) The president of the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, or his or her designee; and
(9) The commissioner of the Department of Economic Development, or his or her designee, who may serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member.

(b) Any member of the council unable to serve shall be replaced at the discretion of the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Lieutenant Governor;

(c) All departments and agencies of the state shall, upon request of the council or the Governor, provide requested services, information, and staff support for the council, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary.

(d) Members of the council shall receive no compensation for their services, except that any members who are state officers or employees may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties by the agency or department in which they serve as an officer or employee.

28-12-3.

This chapter shall stand repealed by operation of law on July 1, 2023."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-7-40.1B.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Establishment' means an economic unit at a single physical location where business is conducted or where services or industrial operations are performed.

(2) 'Medical equipment and supplies manufacturer' means any business which is engaged in the manufacturing of medical equipment and supplies in this state. Such term shall be limited to establishments classified under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Code 3391 - Medical Equipment and Supplies Manufacturing. Such term shall not include retail businesses that sell medical equipment or supplies.

(3) 'Pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer' means any business which is engaged in the manufacturing of pharmaceuticals or medicine in this state. Such term shall be limited to establishments classified under the North American Industry Classification

System (NAICS) Industry Code 3254 - Pharmaceutical and Medicine Manufacturing. Such term shall not include retail businesses that sell pharmaceuticals or medicine.

(b)(1) When any medical equipment and supplies manufacturer or pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer is qualified to claim a job tax credit pursuant to Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1, for a qualifying job created on or after July 1, 2021, there shall be allowed an additional $1,250.00 per job tax credit against the tax imposed under this article for those qualifying jobs to the extent that they are engaged in the qualifying activities of manufacturing medical equipment or supplies or manufacturing pharmaceuticals or medicine in this state during the taxable year. Such medical equipment and supplies manufacturer or pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer shall be eligible for such additional per job tax credit at an individual establishment of the business. If more than one business activity is conducted at an establishment, then only the jobs engaged in the qualifying activities of manufacturing medical equipment or supplies or manufacturing pharmaceuticals or medicine in this state shall be eligible for such additional per job tax credit.

(2) The additional tax credit provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be claimed separately from the job tax credit under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but shall, except as provided in this Code section, be allowed subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 and shall be in addition to the credit allowed under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1; provided, however, the amount allowed to offset taxes imposed by this article shall be 100 percent; and provided, further, that when such tax credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for taxes imposed by this article in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103 in the same manner as provided under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but not subject to the dollar limitations provided therein. Additionally, such tax credit shall be disallowed during any year in which a business enterprise does not qualify as a medical equipment and supplies manufacturer or as a pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer.

(3) The additional tax credit provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection may be used in conjunction with the tax credit provided for under Code Section 48-7-40.15.

(c) The additional tax credit provided for under paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Any tax credit claimed under subsection (b) of this Code section but not used in any taxable year, may be carried forward for ten years from the close of the taxable year in which the qualified jobs were established; and

(2) No taxpayer shall be eligible for the tax credit provided for under subsection (b) of this Code section for any job for which the taxpayer claims the tax credit provided for under Code Section 48-7-40.1A, or for any job claimed pursuant to Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 prior to July 1, 2021.

(d) This Code Section shall be effective as of July 1, 2021 and shall be applicable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021."

**SECTION 2-2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-7-40.1A, relating to job tax credit for PPE manufacturers, by adding a new paragraph in subsection (c) to read as follows:

"(3) No taxpayer shall be eligible for the tax credit provided for under subsection (b) of this Code section for any job for which the taxpayer claims the tax credit provided for under Code Section 48-7-40.1B."

**SECTION 2-3.**

Said title is further amended by revising paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (e) of Code Section 48-7-40.15, relating to alternative tax credits for base year port traffic increases, and conditions and limitations, as follows:

"(2)(A) Any tax credit claimed under subsection (b) of this Code section but not used in any taxable year may be carried forward for ten years from the close of the taxable year in which the qualified jobs were established, provided that the increase in port traffic remains above the minimum levels established in Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 and this Code section, respectively. For any tax credit earned pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2021, when such tax credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for taxes imposed by this article in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103 in the same manner as provided under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but not subject to the dollar limitations provided therein.

(B) Any tax credit claimed under subsection (c) of this Code section in lieu of Code Section 48-7-40.2, 48-7-40.3, or 48-7-40.4 but not used in any taxable year may be carried forward for ten years from the close of the taxable year in which the qualified investment property was acquired, provided that the increase in port traffic remains above the minimum level established in this Code section and the qualified investment property remains in service.

(3)(A) Any tax credit claimed under subsection (c) of this Code section in lieu of Code Section 48-7-40.7, 48-7-40.8, or 48-7-40.9 shall be allowed for the ensuing ten taxable years following the taxable year the qualified investment property was first placed in service, provided that the increase in port traffic remains above the minimum level established in this Code section and the qualified investment property remains in service.

(B) The tax credit established by this Code section in lieu of Code Section 48-7-40.2, 48-7-40.3, or 48-7-40.4 and taken in any one taxable year shall be limited to an amount not greater than 50 percent of the taxpayer's state income tax liability which is attributable to income derived from operations in this state for that taxable year; provided, however, that for such tax credits earned in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2021, the amount allowed to offset taxes imposed by this article shall be 100 percent; and provided, further, that when such tax credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for taxes imposed by this article in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment

under Code Section 48-7-103 in the same manner as provided under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but not subject to the dollar limitations provided therein.

(C) The tax credit established by this Code section in addition to that pursuant to Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 and taken in any one taxable year shall be limited to an amount not greater than 50 percent of the taxpayer's state income tax liability which is attributable to income derived from operations in this state for that taxable year; provided, however, that for such tax credits earned in a taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2021, the amount allowed to offset taxes imposed by this article shall be 100 percent; and provided, further, that when such tax credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for taxes imposed by this article in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103 in the same manner as provided under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but not subject to the dollar limitations provided therein.

(D) The sale, merger, acquisition, or bankruptcy of any taxpayer shall not create new eligibility for any succeeding taxpayer, but any unused credit may be transferred and continued by any transferee of the taxpayer."

**SECTION 2-4.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (g) and (i) of Code Section 48-7-40.24 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to conditions for taking job tax credit by business enterprises and calculating credit, as follows:

"(g) To qualify for the credit provided by this Code section, a new full-time job must be created by the close of the seventh taxable year following the business enterprise's withholding start date, unless the purchase or acquisition of qualified investment property is made as provided in paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section, in which case a new full-time job must be created by the close of the eighth taxable year following the business enterprise's withholding start date based on a $600 million qualified investment or the end of the tenth taxable year based on an $800 million qualified investment. ~~In no event may a credit be claimed under this Code section for more than 4,500 new full-time employee jobs created by any one project; provided, however, that the taxpayer may claim the credits provided by Code Sections 48-7-40 and 48-7-40.1 for any such additional jobs if the taxpayer meets the terms and conditions thereof.~~"

"(i)(1) Except as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section and paragraph (2) of this subsection, a taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits provided by this Code section for a qualified project shall not be allowed to take any of the credits authorized by Code Section 48-7-40, 48-7-40.1, 48-7-40.2, 48-7-40.3, 48-7-40.4, 48-7-40.6, 48-7-40.7, 48-7-40.8, 48-7-40.9, 48-7-40.10, ~~48-7-40.11,~~ 48-7-40.15, 48-7-40.17, or 48-7-40.18 for jobs, investments, child care, or ground-water usage shifts created by, arising from, related to, or connected in any way with the same project. Provided such taxpayer otherwise qualifies, such taxpayer may take any credit authorized by Code Section 48-7-40.5 for the costs of retraining an employee located at the site or sites of such project or the facility or facilities resulting therefrom, but only for costs incurred more than five years after the date the facility or facilities first become operational.

(2) On and after July 1, 2021, a taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits authorized by this Code section for a high-impact aerospace defense project as such term is defined in Code Section 48-7-40.25 may also take the credits authorized by Code Section 48-7-40.17 for such project; provided, however, that the taxpayer may not take the credits authorized by this Code section and 48-7-40.17 with respect to such project in the same taxable year."

**SECTION 2-5.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-7-40.25, relating to conditions for credit for business enterprises with existing manufacturing facilities and calculating credit, as follows:

"48-7-40.25.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Business enterprise' means any business or the headquarters of any such business which is engaged in manufacturing. Such term shall not include retail businesses.

(2) 'Force majeure' means any:

(A) Explosions, implosions, fire, conflagrations, accidents, or contamination;

(B) Unusual and unforeseeable weather conditions such as floods, torrential rain, hail, tornadoes, hurricanes, lightning, or other natural calamities or acts of God;

(C) Acts of war (whether or not declared), carnage, blockade, or embargo;

(D) Acts of public enemy, acts or threats of terrorism or threats from terrorists, riot, public disorder, or violent demonstrations;

(E) Strikes or other labor disturbances; or

(F) Expropriation, requisition, confiscation, impoundment, seizure, nationalization, or compulsory acquisition of the site of a qualified project or any part thereof;

but such term shall not include any event or circumstance that could have been prevented, overcome, or remedied in whole or in part by the taxpayer through the exercise of reasonable diligence and due care, nor shall such term include the unavailability of funds.

(3) 'Full-time employee' means an individual holding a full-time employee job.

(4) 'Full-time employee job' and 'full-time job' mean employment of an individual which:

(A)(i) With respect to a qualified project, is ~~Is~~ located in this state at the manufacturing facility resulting from such ~~a~~ qualified project; and

(ii) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) on or after July 1, 2021, is located in this state and results from such project.

(B) Involves a regular work week of 35 hours or more;

(C) Has no predetermined end date; and

(D) Pays at or above the average wage of the county with the lowest average wage in the state, as reported in the most recently available annual issue of the Georgia Employment and Wages Averages Report of the Department of Labor.

For purposes of this paragraph, leased employees will be considered employees of the

company using their services, and such persons may be counted in determining the company's credits under this Code section if their employment otherwise meets the definition of full-time job contained herein. In addition, an individual's employment shall not be deemed to have a predetermined end date solely by virtue of a mandatory retirement age set forth in a company policy of general application. The employment of any individual in a bona fide executive, administrative, or professional capacity, within the meaning of Section 13 of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, 29 U.S.C. Section 213(a)(1), as such act existed on January 1, 2002, shall not be deemed to have a predetermined end date solely by virtue of the fact that such employment is pursuant to a fixed-term contract, provided that such contract is for a term of not less than one year.

(4.1) 'High-impact aerospace defense project' means a qualified project with the additional limitations that it is:

(A) To be constructed by a business enterprise that is a prime aerospace defense contractor with greater than 40 percent of its revenues derived from sales to the United States government in its most recently completed tax year; and

(B) Certified by the commissioner of economic development as materially supportive of the mission of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission and the Governor's Defense Initiative. In making such a certification, the commissioner shall consider whether the project will support the goals of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission set forth in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of Code Section 20-4-121.

(5) 'Investment requirement' means the requirement that:

(A) With respect to a qualified project, a minimum of $800 million in qualified investment property shall have been purchased or acquired for use in such ~~a~~ qualified project and be in service~~.~~; or

(B) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) on or after July 1, 2021, a minimum of $500 million in qualified investment property shall have been purchased or acquired for use in such project and be in service.

(6) 'Job maintenance requirement' means the requirement that the monthly average number of full-time employees employed by the business enterprise during the first 60 months of the recapture period must equal or exceed 90 percent of the job requirement.

(7) 'Job requirement' means the requirement that:

(A) With respect to a qualified project, the number of full-time employees must equal or exceed 1,800~~.~~; or

(B) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) on or after July 1, 2021, the number of full-time employees must equal or exceed 1,000.

(8) 'Qualified investment property' means all real and personal property purchased or acquired by a taxpayer for use in a qualified project, including, but not limited to, amounts expended on land acquisition, improvements, buildings, building improvements, and machinery and equipment to be used in the manufacturing facility.

(9) 'Qualified project' means the construction of a new manufacturing facility in this

state. For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'manufacturing facility' means a single facility, including contiguous parcels of land, improvements to such land, buildings, building improvements, and any machinery or equipment that is used in the process of making, fabricating, constructing, forming, or assembling a product from components or from raw, unfinished, or semifinished materials, and any support facility. For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'support facility' means any warehouses, distribution centers, storage facilities, research and development facilities, laboratories, repair and maintenance facilities, corporate offices, sales or marketing offices, computer operations facilities, or administrative offices that are contiguous to the manufacturing facility that results from a qualified project, constructed or expanded as part of the same such project, and designed primarily for activities supporting the manufacturing operations at such manufacturing facility.

(10) 'Recapture period' means the period of ten consecutive taxable years that commences after the taxable year in which the taxpayer has met both the investment requirement and the job requirement.

(b) A business enterprise that has operated an existing manufacturing facility in this state for the immediately three preceding years and that is planning a qualified project shall be allowed to take the credit provided by this Code section under the following conditions:

(1) An application is filed with the commissioner that:

(A) Describes the qualified project to be undertaken by the business enterprise, including when such project will commence;

(B) Certifies that such project will meet the investment requirement and the job requirement prescribed by this Code section, stating when the business enterprise expects to meet such requirements; ~~and~~

(C) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project, certifies that the taxpayer will purchase or acquire a minimum of $800 million in qualified investment property and will employ at least 1,800 full-time employees, stating when the business enterprise expects to meet such requirements; and

~~(C)~~(D) Certifies that during the recapture period applicable to such project the business enterprise will meet the job maintenance requirement prescribed by this Code section; and

(2) Following the commissioner's referral of the application to a panel composed of the commissioner of community affairs, the commissioner of economic development, and the director of the Office of Planning and Budget, said panel, after reviewing the application, certifies that the new facility will have a significant beneficial economic effect on the region for which it is planned. The panel shall make its determination within 30 days after receipt from the commissioner of the taxpayer's application and any necessary supporting documentation. Although the panel's certification may be based upon other criteria, a project that meets the minimum job and investment requirements specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection will have a significant beneficial economic effect on the region for which it is planned if one of the following additional criteria is met:

(A) The full-time employee jobs ~~that will be located at the manufacturing facility~~

resulting from such project will pay average wages that are, as determined by the Georgia Department of Labor for all jobs, for the county in question:

(i) Twenty percent above such average wage for projects located in tier 1 counties;

(ii) Ten percent above such average wage for projects located in tier 2 counties; or

(iii) Five percent above such average wage for projects located in tier 3 or tier 4 counties; or

(B) The project demonstrates high growth potential based upon the prior year's Georgia net taxable income growth of over 20 percent from the previous year, if the taxpayer's Georgia net taxable income in each of the two preceding years also grew by 20 percent or more.

(c) Any lease for a period of five years or longer of any real or personal property used in a new manufacturing facility which would otherwise constitute qualified investment property shall be treated as the purchase or acquisition thereof by the lessee. The taxpayer may treat the full value of the leased property as qualified investment property in the year in which the lease becomes binding on the lessor and the taxpayer.

(d) A business enterprise whose application is approved shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed under this article in an amount equal to 6 percent of the cost of all qualified investment property purchased or acquired by the business enterprise in such year, subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in this Code section. Where the amount of such credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for such taxes in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103. The taxpayer may file an election with the commissioner to take such credit against quarterly or monthly payments under Code Section 48-7-103 that become due before the due date of the income tax return on which such credit may be claimed. In the event of such an election, the commissioner shall confirm with the taxpayer a date, which shall not be later than 30 days after receipt of the taxpayer's election, when the taxpayer may begin to take the credit against such quarterly or monthly payments. Each employee whose employer receives credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103 shall receive credit against his or her income tax liability under Code Section 48-7-20 for the corresponding taxable year for the full amount which would be credited against such liability prior to the application of the credit provided for in this subsection. Credits against quarterly or monthly payments under Code Section 48-7-103 and credits against liability under Code Section 48-7-20 established by this subsection shall not constitute income to the taxpayer.

(e) The credit granted under subsection (d) of this Code section shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) In order to qualify as a basis for the credit, the investment in qualified investment property must occur no sooner than ~~April 1, 2003~~ the date of application by the taxpayer for the qualified project pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section. The credit may be taken beginning with the taxable year in which the taxpayer has met both the investment requirement and the job requirement, and for such first year the credit may include qualified investment property purchased or acquired in prior years

but after ~~March 31, 2003~~ the date of application by the taxpayer for the qualified project pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section. For each year in which a taxpayer claims the credit, the taxpayer shall attach a schedule to the taxpayer's Georgia income tax return which will set forth the following information, as a minimum:

(A) A description of the qualified project;

(B) The amount of qualified investment property acquired during the taxable year;

(C) The amount of tax credit claimed for the taxable year;

(D) The amount of qualified investment property acquired in prior taxable years;

(E) Any tax credit previously taken by the taxpayer against Georgia income tax liabilities or the taxpayer's quarterly or monthly payments under Code Section 48-7-103;

(F) The amount of tax credit carried over from prior years;

(G) The amount of tax credit utilized by the taxpayer in the current taxable year;

(H) The amount of tax credit to be carried over to subsequent tax years; and

(I) The monthly average number of full-time jobs during the taxable year;

(2) Any credit claimed under this Code section but not fully used in the manner prescribed in subsection (d) of this Code section may be carried forward for 15 years from the close of the later of:

(A) The taxable year in which the qualified investment property was acquired; or

(B) The taxable year in which both the job requirement and investment requirement are satisfied.

The sale, merger, acquisition, or bankruptcy of any business enterprise shall not create new eligibility in any succeeding business entity but any unused investment tax credit may be transferred and continued by any transferee of the business enterprise;

(3) In the initial year in which the taxpayer claims the credit granted in subsection (d) of this Code section, the taxpayer shall include in the description of the project required by subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection information which demonstrates that the taxpayer has met both the investment requirement and ~~project includes the acquisition of qualified investment property having an aggregate cost equal to or exceeding $800 million and that~~ the job requirement ~~was satisfied~~ during such year; and

(4) The utilization of the credit granted in subsection (d) of this Code section shall have no effect on the taxpayer's ability to claim depreciation for tax purposes on the assets acquired by the taxpayer, nor shall the credit have any effect on the taxpayer's basis in such assets for the purpose of depreciation.

(f)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, in ~~In~~ no event may credits exceeding $50 million in the aggregate be claimed under this Code section with respect to any one project.

(2) In no event shall a taxpayer claim credits exceeding $100 million in the aggregate under this Code section with respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project.

(g)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a ~~A~~ taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits provided by this Code section with respect to a qualified

project shall not be allowed to take any of the credits authorized by Code Section 48-7-40, 48-7-40.1, 48-7-40.2, 48-7-40.3, 48-7-40.4, 48-7-40.6, 48-7-40.7, 48-7-40.8, 48-7-40.9, 48-7-40.10, ~~48-7-40.11,~~ 48-7-40.15, 48-7-40.17, 48-7-40.18, or 48-7-40.24 with respect to jobs, investments, child care, or ground-water usage shifts created by, arising from, related to, or connected in any way with the same project. Such taxpayer may take any credit authorized by Code Section 48-7-40.5 for the cost of retraining an employee located at the site of such project or the manufacturing facility resulting therefrom, but only with respect to costs incurred more than five years after the date the manufacturing facility first becomes operational.

(2) A taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits authorized by this Code section for a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) on or after July 1, 2021, may also take the credits authorized by Code Sections 48-7-40.17 and 48-7-40.24 for such project.

(h) Not more than 60 days after the close of the fifth taxable year within the recapture period, the taxpayer shall file a report, using such form and providing such information as the commissioner may reasonably require, concerning whether it met the job maintenance requirement. If the taxpayer has failed to meet the job maintenance requirement, the taxpayer will forfeit the right to all credits provided by this Code section for such project. A taxpayer that forfeits such right is liable for all past taxes imposed by this article and all past payments under Code Section 48-7-103 that were forgone by the state as a result of the credits provided by this Code section, plus interest at the rate established by Code Section 48-2-40 computed from the date such taxes or payments would have been due if the credits had not been taken. No later than 90 days after notification by the commissioner that the taxpayer has failed to meet the job maintenance requirement, the taxpayer shall file amended income tax and withholding tax returns for all affected periods that recalculate those liabilities without regard to the forfeited credits and shall pay any additional amounts shown on such returns, with interest as provided herein.

(i) A taxpayer who fails to meet the job maintenance requirement because of force majeure may petition the commissioner for relief from such requirement. Such a petition must be made with and at the same time as the report required by subsection (h) of this Code section. If the commissioner determines that force majeure materially affected the taxpayer's ability to meet the job maintenance requirement, but that the portion of any year so affected was six months or less, the commissioner shall calculate the taxpayer's monthly average number of full-time employees for purposes of subsection (h) of this Code section by disregarding the affected months. If the commissioner determines that the affected portion of any such year was more than six months, the taxable year shall be disregarded in its entirety for purposes of the job maintenance requirement and the recapture period applicable to the qualified project shall be extended for an additional year.

(j) If the manufacturing facility resulting from a qualified project is abandoned at any time during the recapture period, the taxpayer will forfeit the right to all credits provided by this Code section for such project. A taxpayer that forfeits such right is liable for all

past taxes imposed by this article and all past payments under Code Section 48-7-103 that were forgone by the state as a result of the credits provided by this Code section, plus interest at the rate established by Code Section 48-2-40 computed from the date such taxes or payments would have been due if the credits had not been taken. For purposes of this subsection, a manufacturing facility will be considered abandoned if there is, for any reason other than force majeure, a complete cessation of manufacturing operations for a period of 12 consecutive months or more during the recapture period. Not more than 60 days after the close of the recapture period, the taxpayer shall file a report, using such form and providing such information as the commissioner may require, concerning whether such an abandonment occurred. No later than 90 days after notification by the commissioner that an abandonment occurred, the taxpayer shall file amended income tax and withholding tax returns for all affected periods that recalculate those liabilities without regard to the forfeited credits and shall pay any additional amounts shown on such returns, with interest as provided herein.

(k) Unless more time is allowed therefor by Code Section 48-7-82 or 48-2-49, the commissioner may make any assessment attributable to the forfeiture of credits claimed under this Code section for the periods covered by any amended returns filed by a taxpayer pursuant to subsections (h) and (j) of this Code section within one year from the date such returns are filed. If the taxpayer fails to file the reports or any amended return required by subsections (h) and (j) of this Code section, the commissioner may assess additional tax or other amounts attributable to the forfeiture of credits claimed under this Code section at any time.

(l) The commissioner shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer this Code section."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Code Section 33-1-25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Agribusiness and Rural Jobs Act," is amended in subsection (b) by revising paragraphs (3) and (6) and adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(.1) '2021 allocation' means the second round of funding provided for in paragraph (6.1) of subsection (e) of this Code section."

"(3) 'Capital investment' means any equity investment in a rural fund by a rural investor that:

(A) Is acquired after July 1, 2017, at its original issuance solely in exchange for cash;

(B) Has 100 percent of its cash purchase price used by the rural fund to make qualified investments in eligible businesses located in this state by the second anniversary of the initial credit allowance date; and

(C) Is designated by the rural fund as a capital investment under this Code section and is certified by the department pursuant to subsection (e) of this Code section. This term shall include any capital investment that does not meet the provisions of subsection ~~(e)(1)(A)~~ (e)(1.3)(A) of this Code section if such investment was a capital

investment in the hands of a prior holder."

"(6) 'Eligible business' means a business that, at the time of the initial qualified investment in the company, has less than 250 employees and its principal business operations are located in one or more rural areas in this state, provided that such business:

~~(A) Has less than 250 employees; and~~

~~(B)(i) Has its principal business operations in one or more rural areas in this state; and~~

~~(ii)~~(A) Produces or provides any goods or services produced in Georgia normally used by farmers, ranchers, or producers and harvesters of aquatic products in their business operations, or to improve the welfare or livelihood of such persons;~~, or is~~

(B) Is involved in the processing and marketing of agricultural products, farm supplies, and input suppliers;~~, or is~~

(C) Is engaged in agribusiness as defined by the United States Department of Agriculture;~~, or is~~

(D) Is engaged in manufacturing, health care, technology, transportation, or related services;~~,~~ or

(E) Is determined by the department to be an ~~if not engaged in such industries, the department determines that such~~ investment that will be beneficial to the rural area and the economic growth of the state.

~~Any~~ If a business which is classified as an eligible business at the time of the initial investment in said business by a rural fund grows to 250 employees or more, it shall remain classified as an eligible business and may receive follow-on investments from any rural fund, and such follow-on investments shall be qualified investments, provided that such business otherwise meets the definition of an eligible business."

**SECTION 3-2.**

Said Code section is further amended by revising subsections (e) and (k), and by adding a new subsection (l) to read as follows:

"(e)(1) A rural fund that seeks to have an equity investment certified as a capital investment and eligible for credits under this Code section shall apply to the department.

(1.1) For the first round of funding provided for in paragraph (6) of this subsection, the ~~The~~ department shall begin accepting applications within 90 days of July 1, 2017, and shall cease accepting applications on June 30, 2021.

(1.2) For a second round of funding provided for in paragraph (6.1) of this subsection, the department shall begin accepting applications on August 1, 2021, and shall cease accepting applications after such second round of funding is exhausted.

(1.3) The rural fund shall include the following in its application:

(A) The amount of capital investment requested;

(B) A copy of the applicant's or an affiliate of the applicant's license as a rural business investment company under 7 U.S.C. Section 2009cc or as a small business investment company under 15 U.S.C. Section 681 and a certificate executed by an

executive officer of the applicant attesting that such license remains in effect and has not been revoked;

(C) Evidence that, as of the date the application is submitted, the applicant or affiliates of the applicant have invested at least $100 million in nonpublic companies located in rural areas within the United States;

(D) An estimate of the number of jobs that will be created or retained in this state as a result of the applicant's qualified investments;

(E) A business plan that includes a revenue impact assessment projecting state and local tax revenue to be generated by the applicant's proposed qualified investments prepared by a nationally recognized, third-party, independent economic forecasting firm using a dynamic economic forecasting model that analyzes the applicant's business plan over the ten years following the date the application is submitted to the department; and

(F) A nonrefundable application fee of $5,000.00 for the round of funding provided for in paragraph (6) of this subsection and $25,000.00 for the round of funding provided for in paragraph (6.1) of this subsection payable to the department.

(2) Within 30 days after receipt of a completed application, the department shall grant or deny the application in full or in part. The department shall deny the application if:

(A) The applicant does not satisfy all of the criteria described in paragraph ~~(1)~~ (1.3) of this subsection;

(B) The revenue impact assessment submitted with the application does not demonstrate that the applicant's business plan will result in a positive economic impact on this state over a ten-year period that exceeds the cumulative amount of tax credits that would be issued to the applicant if the application were approved; or

(C) The department has already approved the maximum amount of capital investment authority under paragraph (6) or paragraph (6.1) of this subsection, whichever paragraph is applicable.

If the department denies any part of the application, it shall inform the applicant of the grounds for the denial. If the applicant provides any additional information required by the department or otherwise completes its application within 15 days of the notice of denial, the application shall be considered completed as of the original date of submission. If the applicant fails to provide the information or fails to complete its application within the 15 day period, the application remains denied and must be resubmitted in full with a new submission date.

(3) If the application is complete, the department shall certify the proposed equity investment as a capital investment that is eligible for credits under this Code section, subject to the limitations contained in paragraph (6) or paragraph (6.1) of this subsection, whichever paragraph is applicable. The department shall provide written notice of the certification to the rural fund.

(4) The department shall certify capital investments in the order that the applications were received by the department. Applications received on the same day shall be deemed to have been received simultaneously.

(5) For applications that are complete and received on the same day, the department

shall certify applications in proportionate percentages based upon the ratio of the amount of capital investments requested in an application to the total amount of capital investments requested in all applications.

(6) For a first round of funding, the ~~The~~ department shall certify $100 million in capital investments pursuant to this Code section until the earlier of the date that such funds are exhausted, or June 30, 2021.

(6.1) For a second round of funding, beginning on August 1, 2021, the department shall certify $100 million in capital investments pursuant to this Code section until such funds are exhausted.

(7) Within 60 days of the applicant receiving notice of certification, the rural fund shall issue the capital investment to and receive cash in the amount of the certified amount from a rural investor. At least 50 percent of the rural investor's capital investment shall be composed of capital raised by the rural investor from sources, including directors, members, employees, officers, and affiliates of the rural investor, other than the amount of capital invested by the allocatee claiming the tax credits in exchange for such allocation of tax credits. The rural fund shall provide the department with evidence of the receipt of the cash investment within 65 days of the applicant receiving notice of certification. If the rural fund does not receive the cash investment and issue the capital investment within such time period following receipt of the certification notice, the certification shall lapse and the rural fund shall not issue the capital investment without reapplying to the department for certification. Lapsed certifications revert to the authority and shall be reissued pro rata to applicants whose capital investment allocations were reduced pursuant to paragraph (5) of this subsection and then in accordance with the application process."

"(k)(1) Rural funds shall submit a report to the department within ~~the first~~ 15 business days after ~~the second anniversary of the initial credit allowance date~~ each qualified investment that provides documentation of: ~~as to the investment of 100 percent of the purchase price of such capital investment in qualified investments. Such report shall include:~~

(A) The location of each eligible business receiving a qualified investment;

(B) Bank statements of such rural fund evidencing each qualified investment;

(C) A copy of the written opinion of the department set forth in subsection (j) of this Code section or evidence that such business was an eligible business at the time of such qualified investment, as applicable;

(D) The number of employment positions created and retained as a result of qualified investments;

(E) The average annual salary of positions described in subparagraph (D) of this paragraph; and

(F) Such other information required by the department.

(2) Thereafter, rural funds shall submit an annual report to the department within 45 days of the beginning of the calendar year during the compliance period. The report shall include but is not limited to the following:

(A) The number of employment positions created and retained as a result of qualified

investments; ~~and~~

(B) The average annual salary of positions described in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; and

(C) The rural fund's total eligible capital investments as a percentage of its total capital investments.

(l) With respect to the second round of funding provided for in paragraph (6.1) of subsection (e) of this Code section, each rural fund shall pay an annual maintenance fee of $7,500.00 to the department, beginning one year after the date of the initial credit allowance and annually thereafter for five years."

**PART IV**
**SECTION 4-1.**

Code Section 48-7-40.34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for Class III railroads and reporting, is amended by revising subsections (c) through (h) as follows:

"(c)(1) The credit given under this Code section shall only be allowed once for each mile of railroad track in each taxable year.

(2) Such credit shall be given for each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2019, and ending on or before December 30, ~~2023~~ 2028, in which the conditions of this Code section have been met.

(d) If a credit is given under this Code section with respect to any railroad track, the basis of such railroad track shall be reduced by the amount of the credit so allowed.

(e) The tax credits given to a Class III railroad by this Code section that are not used by such Class III railroad shall be freely assignable one time between January 1, 2019, and January 1, ~~2024~~ 2029, by written agreement to a taxpayer subject to the tax imposed by this chapter.

(f) On or before September 1 of 2020 and annually thereafter until ~~2024~~ 2029, the commissioner shall issue a report to the chairpersons of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means concerning the tax credit created by this Code section, which shall include the following statistics for the preceding taxable year:

(1) The total number of taxpayers that claimed a credit provided by this Code section; and

(2) The number and total value of all credits earned and all credits applied during such tax year pursuant to this Code section.

(g) The commissioner shall promulgate such forms, rules, and regulations as are necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this Code section.

(h) This Code section shall be automatically repealed on January 1, ~~2024~~ 2029."

**PART V**
**SECTION 5-1.**

Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

relating to general provisions regarding sales and use taxes, is amended by revising paragraph (93) of Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions from sales and use taxes, as follows:

"(93)(A) For the period commencing January 1, 2012, until June 30, ~~2021~~ 2023, sales of tangible personal property used for and in the construction of a competitive project of regional significance.

(B) The exemption provided in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall apply to purchases made during the entire time of construction of the competitive project of regional significance so long as such project meets the definition of a competitive project of regional significance within the period commencing January 1, 2012, until June 30, ~~2021~~ 2023.

(C) The department shall not be required to pay interest on any refund claims filed for local sales and use taxes paid on purchases made prior to the implementation of this paragraph.

(D) As used in this paragraph, the term 'competitive project of regional significance' means the location or expansion of some or all of a business enterprise's operations in this state where the commissioner of economic development determines that the project would have a significant regional impact. The commissioner of economic development shall promulgate regulations in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph outlining the guidelines to be applied in making such determination;"

**SECTION 5-2.**

Said part is further amended by revising paragraph (100) of Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions from sales and use taxes, as follows:

"(100)(A) Sales of tickets, fees, or charges for admission to a fine arts performance or exhibition conducted within a facility in this state that is owned or operated by an organization which is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a museum of cultural significance, if such organization's or museum's mission is to advance the arts in this state and to provide arts, educational, and culturally significant programming and exhibits for the benefit and enrichment of the citizens of this state.

(B) As used in this paragraph, the term 'fine arts' means music performed by a symphony orchestra, poetry, photography, ballet, dance, opera, theater, dramatic arts, painting, sculpture, ceramics, drawing, watercolor, graphics, printmaking, and architecture.

(C) This paragraph shall stand repealed and reserved on December 31, 2022 ~~Reserved~~;"

**SECTION 5-3.**

Said part is further amended in Code Section 48-8-3.2, relating to sales tax exemptions for manufacturers, definitions, exemption, applicability, and examples, by revising paragraph (12) of subsection (e) as follows:

"(12) ~~Until July 1, 2020~~ For the period commencing on July 1, 2021, and ending on June 30, 2026, maintenance and replacement parts for machinery or equipment, stationary or in transit, used to mix, agitate, and transport freshly mixed concrete in a plastic and unhardened state, including but not limited to mixers and components, engines and components, interior and exterior operational controls and components, hydraulics and components, all structural components, and all safety components, provided that sales and use taxes on motor fuel used as energy in a concrete mixer truck shall not be exempt or refundable; and"

**SECTION 5-4.**

Said part is further amended by revising Code Section 48-8-3.4, relating to maximum amount of sales and use tax on boats, annual reporting, and termination, as follows:

"48-8-3.4.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Boat' means a vehicle used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on the water.

(2) 'Event' means an uninterrupted period of time beginning when a boat arrives at a maintenance, refit, or repair facility in this state and ending when such boat departs such facility.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the maximum amount of sales and use tax imposed and collected to maintain, refit, or repair a boat in this state during a single event shall not exceed $35,000.00.

(c) The commissioner shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer this Code section, including, but not limited to, calling for an annual report to be issued to the department and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee that contains the following:

(1) The number of full-time and part-time positions created by the seller during the preceding tax year;

(2) The average salary of individuals employed in the reported positions; and

(3) The total revenue generated and sales and use taxes collected from qualifying events during the preceding year.

~~(d) This Code section shall be automatically repealed on June 30, 2025.~~"

**PART VI**
**SECTION 6-1.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 6-2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that the Senate disagree to the House substitute to SB 6.

The consent was granted, and the Senate disagreed to the House substitute to SB 6.

The Calendar was resumed.

Senator Burns of the 23rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 24th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

HB 98. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Blackmon of the 146th, Fleming of the 121st, Oliver of the 82nd, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dolezal of the 27th.

The Senate Committee on Science and Technology offered the following substitute to HB 98:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, is amended by revising subsection (g) of Code Section 50-14-1, relating to meetings to be open to public, limitation on action to contest agency action, recording, notice of time and place, access to minutes, and teleconference, as follows:

"(g)(1) As used in this paragraph, emergency conditions shall include declarations of federal, state, or local states of emergency; provided, however, that no such declaration shall be necessary for an agency as defined by subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section to find that emergency conditions exist thereby necessitating meeting by teleconference.

(2) Under circumstances necessitated by emergency conditions involving public safety

or the preservation of property or public services, agencies or committees thereof not otherwise permitted by subsection (f) of this Code section to conduct meetings by teleconference may meet by means of teleconference so long as the notice required by this chapter is provided and means are afforded for the public to have simultaneous access to the teleconference meeting. The participation by teleconference of members of agencies or committees means full participation in the same manner as if such members were physically present. In the event such teleconference meeting is a public hearing, members of the public must be afforded the means to participate fully in the same manner as if such members of the public were physically present.

(3) On any other occasion of the meeting of an agency or committee thereof, and so long as a quorum is present in person, a member may participate by teleconference if necessary due to reasons of health or absence from the jurisdiction so long as the other requirements of this chapter are met. Absent emergency conditions or the written opinion of a physician or other health professional that reasons of health prevent a member's physical presence, no member shall participate by teleconference pursuant to this subsection more than twice in one calendar year."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 43, nays 1.

HB 98, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 25, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 98. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

HB 205. By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Lumsden of the 12th, Hatchett of the 150th, Taylor of the 173rd, Rhodes of the 120th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide a framework for regulating the offering or issuance of travel insurance in this state; to revise and provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 3.

HB 205, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Orrock of the 36th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jones II of the 22nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jones II was excused.

HB 268. By Representatives Werkheiser of the 157th, Lott of the 122nd, Belton of the 112th, Bennett of the 94th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 28 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to occupational therapists, so as to revise licensing provisions; to enter into an interstate compact known as the "Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact"; to authorize the State Board of Occupational Therapy to administer the compact in this state; to provide definitions; to provide for conditions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 268, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 353. By Representatives Jones of the 25th, Kausche of the 50th, Martin of the 49th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Holcomb of the 81st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driving on right side of roadway, overtaking and passing, and following too closely, so as to clarify what constitutes an obstruction for purposes of exceptions to when a vehicle is to drive on the right side of the roadway; to provide for proper operation of a motor vehicle when overtaking a bicyclist; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |

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| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | N Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 38, nays 12.

HB 353, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 354. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Bentley of the 139th, Mathis of the 144th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to require the State Board of Cemeterians and the State Board of Funeral Service to report suspected unlawful activity to the sheriff's office and the Attorney General; to require the Attorney General to provide notice of such suspected unlawful activity to the appropriate prosecuting attorney; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Burns of the 23rd.

The Senate Committee on Special Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 354:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Titles 10 and 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to commerce and trade and professions and businesses, respectively, so as to change certain provisions related to the authority of the State Board of Funeral Service and the State Board of Cemeterians; to require such boards to report suspected unlawful activity to the sheriff's office and the Attorney General; to require the Attorney General to provide notice of such suspected unlawful activity to the appropriate prosecuting attorney; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to commerce and trade, is amended by revising Code Section 10-14-3.1, relating to authority of the State Board of Funeral Service and the State Board of Cemeterians, as follows:

"10-14-3.1.

As provided in this Code section, the boards may ~~The boards shall~~ have all administrative powers and other powers necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter, including the authority to promulgate rules and regulations, and the Secretary of State ~~shall~~ may delegate to the boards all such duties otherwise entrusted to the Secretary of State; provided, however, that the Secretary of State shall have sole authority over matters relating to the regulation of funds, trust funds, and escrow accounts and accounting and investigations concerning such matters but may delegate authority to the appropriate board for the review of such investigations and the determination as to disciplinary matters, necessary sanctions, and the enforcement of such decisions and sanctions. The State Board of Funeral Service shall have authority to promulgate rules and regulations and may be delegated the authority to make disciplinary and sanctioning decisions relating to funeral services or funeral merchandise. The State Board of Cemeterians shall have authority to promulgate rules and regulations and may be delegated the authority to make disciplinary and sanctioning decisions relating to burial services or burial merchandise. The Secretary of State may delegate to each board according to such duties and responsibilities of the boards."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended in Chapter 8B, relating to the State Board of Cemeterians, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-8B-8.

Any complaints received by the board shall be investigated within 30 days of receipt. If such investigation shows that there may be a violation of Code Section 10-14-17 or 10-14-18 or any felony violation of state or federal criminal law, there shall be an affirmative obligation on behalf of the board to provide notice of such potential illegalities within seven days to the Attorney General's office and to the sheriff's office in the county in which any of the illegalities are believed to have occurred in whole or in part. Upon receiving such notification, the Attorney General shall within a reasonable time period not to exceed 60 days conduct a review of such complaint and provide the appropriate prosecuting attorney within any jurisdiction in which any illegalities are believed to have occurred, in whole or in part, with relevant information uncovered during the course of the investigation that the prosecuting attorney requests."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Article 1 of Chapter 18, relating to general provisions regarding funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-18-10.

Any complaints received by the board shall be investigated within 30 days of receipt. If such investigation shows that there may be a violation of Code Section 10-14-17 or 10-14-18 or any felony violation of state or federal criminal law, there shall be an affirmative obligation on behalf of the board to provide notice of such potential illegalities within seven days to the Attorney General's office and to the sheriff's office in the county in which any of the illegalities are believed to have occurred in whole or in part. Upon receiving such notification, the Attorney General shall within a reasonable time period not to exceed 60 days conduct a review of such complaint and provide the appropriate prosecuting attorney within any jurisdiction in which any illegalities are believed to have occurred, in whole or in part, with relevant information uncovered during the course of the investigation that the prosecuting attorney requests."

**SECTION 4.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 354, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that Senator Burns of the 23rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Burns was excused.

HB 363. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Cooper of the 43rd, Rich of the 97th, Scoggins of the 14th and Leverett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to revise definitions relative to the protection of elder persons; to remove enhanced penalties for certain offenses against persons 65 years of age or older or employees, agents, or volunteers at long-term care facilities; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

Senators Jordan of the 6th and Strickland of the 17th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 363 (LC 33 8545):

by inserting a new "Section 6" at line 57 that will amend Code Section 16-6-5.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to improper sexual contact by employee, agent, or foster parent, consent not a defense, and penalty, is amended by revising paragraph (4) of, and adding a new paragraph to, subsection (a) as follows:

"(4) 'Employee' means an individual who works for salary, wages, or other remuneration for an employer or sole proprietor."
(11) "Sole proprietor" means an individual who is an owner or operator of a program or facility rendering services or housing to another as a condition of such other person's probation or parole.

By revising subsection 16-6-5.1(b)(2) as follows:
(b) An employee or agent commits the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexually explicit conduct with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:
(2) Under probation, parole, a program or within a facility as a condition of probation or parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;
(1) Enrolled as a student at a school of which he or she is an employee or agent;
(2) Under probation, parole, a program or within a facility as a condition of probation or parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

By revising Code Section 16-6-5.1(c)(2) as follows:
c) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:
(2) Under probation, parole, a program or within a facility as a condition of probation or parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

By renumbering “Section 6” as “Section 7.”

Senators Jordan of the 6th and Strickland of the 17th offered the following amendment #2:

Amend HB 363

By inserting on line 5 after “purposes.” the following: And to amend Title 16 relating to crimes and offenses so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual content by employee, agent, or foster parent; to revise and provide for definitions; to prohibit improper sexual contact within programs and facilities used by individuals as a condition of their probation or parole; to provide for a response to *Bully v. State*, 2020 Ga. App. LEXIS 628 (2020).
By inserting at line 57 a new “Section 6" at line 57 to Code Section 16-6-5.1 by revising paragraph (4) of, and adding a new paragraph to, subsection (a) as follows:
“(4) ‘Employee’ means an individual who works for salary, wages, or other remuneration for an employer or sole proprietor.”
(11) “Sole proprietor” means an individual who is an owner or operator of a program or facility rendering services or housing to another as a conditipon of such other person’s probation or parole.
By revising subsection 16-6-5.1 (b)(2) as follows:

(2) Under probation, parole, a program or within a facility as a condition of probation or parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;
(1) Enrolled as a student at a school of which he or she is an employee or agent;
(2) Under probation, parole, a program or within a facility as a condition of probation or parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;
By revising Code Section 16-6-5.1 (c)(2) as follows:
c) A person commits the offense of improper sexual conduct by employee or agent in the second degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexual conduct, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:
(2) Under probation, parole, a program or within a facility as a condition of probation or parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

Senator Jordan of the 6th asked unanimous consent that her amendment #1 be withdrawn. The consent was granted, and the amendment was withdrawn.

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Jordan amendment #2 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

HB 363, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

HR 119. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Hitchens of the 161st, Stephens of the 164th, Petrea of the 166th, Gilliard of the 162nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing United States Senator Johnny Isakson and dedicating a bridge in his honor; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Mullis of the 53rd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| E Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

HR 119, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

HB 370. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Schofield of the 60th, Oliver of the 82nd and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county and municipal hospital authorities, so as to provide for term limits for members of joint hospital authorities; to provide that joint hospital authorities that lease certain hospitals are subject to limitations on utilization of revenues; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 370 (LC 33 8521) by deleting on line 30 "<u>including any partial term,</u>"

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Jackson amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | E Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 2.

HB 370, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

HB 453. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Momtahan of the 17th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations and qualified motor vehicles or drivers with proceeds deposited into the general fund, so as to provide for standards for proof of eligibility for special license plates for certified, volunteer, and retired firefighters; to provide for the issuance of such special license plates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
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| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 453, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend the Senate Rules to first read legislation and assign to committee. There was no objection and the consent was granted.

The following House legislation was read the first time and referred to committee:

HB 709. By Representatives LaRiccia of the 169th, Burchett of the 176th, Corbett of the 174th, Pirkle of the 155th, Meeks of the 178th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing that the governing authority of each county comprising the Waycross Judicial Circuit may supplement the compensation, salary, expenses, and allowances of each of the judges of the superior courts of the Waycross Judicial Circuit, approved March 20, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 3879), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 8, 2018 (Ga. L. 2018, p. 3975), so as to increase the amounts of such supplements; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 744. By Representatives Anulewicz of the 42nd, Thomas of the 39th, Allen of the 40th, Bruce of the 61st, Smith of the 41st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Smyrna, approved August 27, 1931 (Ga. L. 1931, p. 955), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 762. By Representatives Mainor of the 56th, Thomas of the 65th, Evans of the 57th, Roberts of the 52nd, Moore of the 95th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Fulton Technology and Energy Enhancement Authority; to provide a statement of legislative findings; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of this Act

and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 771. By Representatives Thomas of the 39th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Allen of the 40th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Williams of the 37th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Austell, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 778. By Representatives Hill of the 3rd and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Ringgold, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 790. By Representatives Cameron of the 1st and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Chickamauga Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 791. By Representatives Wilkerson of the 38th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Allen of the 40th, Bruce of the 61st, Reeves of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Powder Springs, approved March 13, 1970 (Ga. L. 1970, p. 2760), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 4, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3969), so as to update the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 792. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Wayne County Altamaha River and Leisure Services Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 793. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Wayne County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 794. By Representatives Howard of the 124th, Prince of the 127th and Newton of the 123rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act regulating public instruction for the County of Richmond, approved August 23, 1872 (Ga. L. 1872, p. 456), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4322), so as to modify the compensation of the members of the County Board of Education of Richmond County, Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 795. By Representative Jackson of the 128th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act providing for a supplement to the compensation of the Judge of the Probate Court of Glascock County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3567), as amended; to provide for an applicability date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 796. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Wiedower of the 119th and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Classic Center Authority for Clarke County, approved March 10, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 3799), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 2, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5665), so as to change certain provisions relative to the purpose and powers of the authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 799. By Representatives Drenner of the 85th and Lopez of the 86th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act to create the Clarkston Development Authority, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3837); to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 800. By Representative Pirkle of the 155th:

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

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 801. By Representative Erwin of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of registrations and elections for Stephens County, Georgia; to provide for the powers and duties of the board; to provide for the appointment, resignation, and removal of its members; to provide for meetings and special meetings of the board; to provide an administrative office for elections and registrations; to staff such office with an elections supervisor, clerical assistants, and other employees; to provide compensation for administrative personnel and members of the board; to provide definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide a contingent effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 802. By Representative Erwin of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a Stephens County Board of Registrations and Elections, approved March 30, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 803. By Representative Ralston of the 7th:

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

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 804. By Representative Leverett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Hull; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 47. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special

Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts; to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 165. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to exempt fully autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; to provide for compliance; to remove requirement for use of strobe light while operating a low-speed vehicle; to provide for means of operation of vehicle brakes and parking brakes; to revise exhaust system requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 193. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Harper of the 7th, Harbison of the 15th, Jackson of the 2nd, Hatchett of the 50th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to grant counties the option of requiring that mobile homes procure and display decals; to revise the time for payment of related ad valorem taxes; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Calendar was resumed.

HB 459. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Jones of the 47th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 36 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to limitation on annexation of areas furnished services or included in comprehensive zoning plan by certain counties, so as to prohibit annexations of county operated airport property by governing authorities of certain municipal corporations absent approval by the governing authority of the county operating the airport; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 459, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 465. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Gravley of the 67th, Ridley of the 6th, Momtahan of the 17th, Singleton of the 71st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to prohibit local governments from imposing civil penalties upon an alarm systems contractor for a false alarm that occurs through no fault of the alarm systems contractor; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 465:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to prohibit local governments from imposing civil penalties upon an alarm system contractor for a false alarm that occurs through no fault of the alarm system contractor; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"36-60-28.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Alarm system' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 43-14-2.

(2) 'Alarm system contractor' shall mean any alarm system monitoring business or alarm system installation and repair business.

(3) 'Alarm system installation and repair business' means any person engaged in leasing, maintaining, servicing, repairing, altering, replacing, installing or inspecting any alarm system, or in causing any alarm system to be leased, maintained, serviced, repaired, altered, replaced, or installed in any building, structure, or facility.

(4) 'Alarm system monitoring business' means any company that intercepts signals indicating the activation of an alarm system and relays this information to a public safety agency.

(5) 'False alarm' means the activation of any alarm system that results in a request for police assistance for which the responding public safety agency finds no evidence of criminal activity.

(6) 'Local government' means any county or municipality of this state.

(7) 'Public safety agency' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 16-10-28.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a local government may enact, adopt, or enforce any ordinance, resolution, or regulation requiring any alarm system contractor to pay for or be responsible for any fines, fees, or other penalties relative to false alarms only in situations when the false alarm is attributed to an error of the alarm system contractor or improper installation by the alarm system contractor or if the alarm system contractor cannot provide evidence of telephone logs, other electronic means, or visual evidence that the alarm verification process as provided in Code

Section 35-1-9 was followed. In cases where the alarm system contractor was in compliance with such provisions, a local government may require that the alarm user responsible for the false alarm pay for or be responsible for any fines, fees, or other penalties relative to false alarms."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 41, nays 7.

HB 465, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/25/2021

I inadvertently voted yes on HB 465. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

HB 553. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Burchett of the 176th, Smith of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative procedure, so as to provide for participation in hearings by electronic communications; to provide for electronic filing of documents; to provide for electronic service; to provide for the electronic availability or transfer of the record; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 553:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative procedure, so as to provide for participation in hearings by electronic communications; to provide for electronic filing of documents; to provide for electronic service; to provide for the electronic availability or transfer of the record; to provide that the Department of Community Health is considered a reviewing agency for purposes of contested cases; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative procedure, is amended by revising paragraph (5) of Code Section 50-13-15, relating to rules of evidence in contested cases, official notice, and conducting hearings by utilizing remote telephonic communications, as follows:

"(5) Any hearing which is required or permitted hereunder may be conducted by utilizing remote ~~telephonic~~ electronic communications if the record reflects that all parties have consented to the conduct of the hearing by use of such communications and that such procedure will not jeopardize the rights of any party to the hearing. In the administrative law judge's discretion, one or more witnesses may participate by remote electronic communications."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding three new paragraphs to subsection (a) and by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Code Section 50-13-41, relating to hearing procedures, powers of administrative law judge, issuance of decision, reviewing agency, and review of contested cases, as follows:

"(4) The Office of State Administrative Hearings may require the electronic filing of documents.

(5) Except where alternative means of service are required by law, the Office of State Administrative Hearings may serve any party electronically.

(6) The Office of State Administrative Hearings may make available or transfer the record of any hearing to any party electronically."

"(d)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'reviewing agency' shall mean the ultimate decision maker in a contested case that is a constitutional board or commission; an elected constitutional officer in the executive branch of this state; or a board, bureau, commission, or other agency of the executive branch of this state created for the purpose of licensing or otherwise regulating or controlling any profession, business, or trade if members thereof are appointed by the Governor; the Department of Transportation; the Department of Community Health; or the Department of Human Services, in a contested case where such department is required to be the ultimate decision maker by federal law or regulations governing Title IV-B and Title IV-E of the federal Social Security Act."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
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| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

HB 553, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 294. By Senator Harrell of the 40th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Chamblee, approved March 28, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 976), as amended, so as to change the election districts to provide for four council districts and one at-large district; to provide for terms of office; to define the boundaries of the four numbered districts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 294:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Chamblee, approved March 28, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 976), as amended, so as to change the election districts to provide for four council districts and one at-large district; to provide for terms of office; to define the boundaries of the four numbered districts; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act creating a new charter for the City of Chamblee, approved March 28, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 976), as amended, is amended in Section 1 of Article 3 by revising subparagraph (a) and adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

"(a) For purposes of electing members of the city council at the 2021 general municipal election, the City of Chamblee is divided into four council districts and one at-large district. One member of the city council shall be elected from each of the four council districts and one member of the city council shall be elected from the city at large. The four council districts shall be and shall correspond to those four numbered districts described in Section 1.1. At the time a candidate for the office of councilmember of any of the four election districts described in Section 1.1 qualifies as a candidate, and at the time such person is elected to such office, and throughout such person's term of service as such, such person shall be a bona fide resident of the election district within the city designated by such person when qualifying as a candidate. Candidates for the office of councilmember at large may reside anywhere within the corporate limits of the City of Chamblee. A candidate for the office of councilmember at large shall designate, at the time such person qualifies as a candidate, that such person is qualifying as an at-large candidate.

(a.1)(1) At the 2021 general municipal election, the mayor, the councilmember for District 1, and the at-large councilmember shall be elected to terms of office of four years.

(2) At the 2021 general municipal election, the councilmember for District 4 shall be elected for an initial term of office of two years.

(3) At the 2023 general municipal election, the councilmembers for Districts 2, 3, and 4 shall be elected to terms of office of four years.

(4) The successors to the mayor and councilmembers elected pursuant to parts (1) and (3) of this subparagraph shall be elected to terms of office of four years.

(5) Nothing in this subparagraph shall affect the term of office of the mayor or any councilmember serving on the effective date of this Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Said Act is further amended by striking Section 1.1 of Article 3 in its entirety and

substituting in lieu thereof a new heading and new Section 1.1 to read as follows:

"SECTION 1.1.

(a) For the 2021 general municipal election and all subsequent municipal elections, the corporate area of the City of Chamblee is divided into four districts for the purpose of electing councilmembers from each such district. For such purposes, said districts are to be known as election districts and are to be numbered Election Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4 respectively. One councilmember shall be elected from the city at large. Districts 1 through 4 shall correspond to those four numbered districts described in a plan and attached to and made a part of this Act and further identified as 'User: Chamblee Plan: chamblee-2021 Plan Type: Local.'

(b)(1) For the purposes of such plan:

(A) The term 'VTD' shall mean and describe the same geographical boundaries as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia. The separate numeric designations in a district description which are underneath a 'VTD' heading shall mean and describe individual blocks within a VTD as provided in the report of the Bureau of the Census for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia; and

(B) Except as otherwise provided in the description of any district, whenever the description of any district refers to a named city, it shall mean the geographical boundaries of that city as shown on the census maps for the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

(2) Any part of City of Chamblee that is not included in any district described in subsection (a) of this section shall be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia.

(3) Any part of City of Chamblee which is described in subsection (a) of this section as being included in a particular district shall nevertheless not be included within such district if such part is not contiguous to such district. Such noncontiguous part shall instead be included within that district contiguous to such part which contains the least population according to the United States decennial census of 2010 for the State of Georgia."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Harrell of the 40th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 294.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
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| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
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| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Y Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 48, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 294.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 29, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Monday, March 29, 2021
Thirty-ninth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 312. By Senators Jordan of the 6th, Sims of the 12th, Lucas of the 26th, Seay of the 34th, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sentence and punishment, so as to enact the "Georgia Restoring Justice Act"; to provide a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for a cause of action; to provide for service of process; to provide for damages; to provide for limitations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SB 313. By Senator Jones II of the 22nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the consolidation of Richmond County and the City of Augusta, approved March 27, 1995 (Ga. L. 1995, p. 3648), as amended, so as to revise the compensation of the mayor and commissioners; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SB 314. By Senators Harrell of the 40th, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd, Merritt of the 9th, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to primaries and elections generally, so as to provide for registered voters to cast a ballot at any polling place, absentee polling place, or registration office in his or her county of residence; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ethics.

SB 315. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Hatchett of the 50th, Jackson of the 41st, Walker III of the 20th and Miller of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide for the licensure of individuals in the practice of applied behavior analysis; to provide legislative findings; to provide for definitions; to create the Georgia Behavior Analyst Licensing Board; to provide for its membership and duties; to provide for licensing requirements; to provide for penalties; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for temporary licenses; to provide for reciprocity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities.

SR 319. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Robertson of the 29th, Kennedy of the 18th, Brass of the 28th, Hatchett of the 50th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the current Electoral College system as the best way to elect the President of the United States; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| SR 76 | Do Pass | SR 129 | Do Pass |
| SR 150 | Do Pass | SR 151 | Do Pass |
| SR 167 | Do Pass | SR 177 | Do Pass |
| SR 192 | Do Pass | SR 203 | Do Pass |
| SR 283 | Do Pass | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.10 (c), the committee on Rules recommends the following legislation do pass by substitute:

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| HB 67 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 218 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 273 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 317 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 454 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 469 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 477 | Do Pass by substitute | | |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 724 | Do Pass |
| HB 740 | Do Pass |
| SB 284 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

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| SR 76 | SR 129 | SR 150 | SR 151 | SR 167 | SR 177 |
| SR 192 | SR 203 | SR 283 | | | |

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator Rhett of the 33rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Rhett was excused.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator James of the 35th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator James was excused.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator Tate of the 38th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Tate was excused.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator Butler of the 55th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Butler was excused.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator Parent of the 42nd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Parent was excused.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Seay of the 34th asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the call of the roll be dispensed with. The consent was granted, and the roll call was dispensed with.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Dugan of the 30th introduced the chaplain of the day, Mr. Beau Dugan of Carrollton, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 310. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Boyd's Speedway and Russell Racing LLC; and for other purposes.

SR 311. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th and Dugan of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 25, 2021, as Healthy Foundations Day of Awareness and Recognition; and for other purposes.

SR 312. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, Seay of the 34th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring Helen Odessa Dixon Davenport on the grand occasion of her 95th birthday; and for other purposes.

SR 313. By Senators Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th, Anderson of the 43rd, Seay of the 34th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing April 2021 as Sarcoidosis Awareness Month at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 314. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Butler of the 55th, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Allie B. Harrison; and for other purposes.

SR 315. By Senators Cowsert of the 46th, Ginn of the 47th, Tippins of the 37th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and Hatchett of the 50th:

A RESOLUTION commending Georgia's linemen and recognizing April 12, 2021, as Georgia Lineman Appreciation Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

SR 316. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Rahman of the 5th, Jordan of the 6th, Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Murphy Davis; and for other purposes.

SR 317. By Senators Harrell of the 40th and Parent of the 42nd:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Alexandra Nicole Faerber; and for other purposes.

SR 318. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Walker III of the 20th, Tillery of the 19th and Kennedy of the 18th:

A RESOLUTION celebrating the birth of Anne Winfield Fralick; and for other purposes.

SR 320. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Dugan of the 30th and Anavitarte of the 31st:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Randall Keith Redding; and for other purposes.

SR 321. By Senators Summers of the 13th, Mullis of the 53rd, Walker III of the 20th,

Harper of the 7th, Robertson of the 29th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Crisp County Sheriff's Office and the Georgia State Patrol Post 30 troopers; and for other purposes.

SR 322. By Senators Lucas of the 26th, Butler of the 55th, Harrell of the 40th, Rhett of the 33rd, Orrock of the 36th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Georgia's African American farmers; and for other purposes.

SR 323. By Senators Strickland of the 17th and Jones of the 10th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Henry County Commissioner Gary Barham; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

## SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Monday March 29, 2021
Thirty-ninth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

SB 284 Sims of the 12th
**RANDOLPH COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Randolph County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3723), so as to expand the board from three to five members; to provide for the appointment and terms of board members; to provide for the nomination of certain potential board members; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

HB 724 Rhett of the 33rd
Jordan of the 6th
Kirkpatrick of the 32nd
Tippins of the 37th

**COBB COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Cobb County, approved June 19, 1964 (Ga. L. 1964, Ex. Sess., p. 2075), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 2, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3620), so as to change the provisions relating to the compensation of the chairperson and the other commissioners of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 740 Ginn of the 47th
Hatchett of the 50th

**TOWN OF PENDERGRASS**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the Town of Pendergrass, in the County of Jackson, approved December 30, 1890 (Ga. L. 1890-91, Vol. II, p. 681), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4755), so as to add two new members to the city council; to revise provisions governing quorums and overriding vetoes; to update reference to applicable state election law; to provide for initial and staggered terms of the new councilmembers; to provide for conflict of interest; to provide for holding of other offices; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The substitute to the following bill was put upon its adoption:

*SB 284:

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to SB 284:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Randolph County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3723), so as to expand the board from three to five members; to provide for the appointment and terms of board members; to provide for the nomination of certain potential board members; to provide for oath for new members; to provide for election of chair of the board; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act to create a board of elections and registration for Randolph County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3723), is amended by revising Section 2 as follows:

"SECTION 2.

The joint board shall be composed of five members, each of whom shall be an elector and resident of Randolph County and who shall be selected in the following manner:

(1) One member shall be appointed by the governing authority of Randolph County, one member shall be appointed by the governing authority of the City of Cuthbert, and one member shall be appointed by the governing authority of the City of Shellman. The members appointed by the governing authorities of the City of Cuthbert and the City of Shellman shall be residents of those cities.

(2) The initial appointee of Randolph County shall serve for a term beginning July 1, 2017, and expiring on June 30, 2021. Thereafter, the appointees of Randolph County shall serve for terms of four years beginning on the first day of July immediately following the expiration of the appointee's term of office and until a successor is appointed and qualified. The initial appointees of the City of Cuthbert and the City of Shellman shall serve for a term beginning July 1, 2017, and expiring on June 30, 2019. Thereafter, the appointees of the City of Cuthbert and the City of Shellman shall serve for terms of four years beginning on the first day of July immediately following the expiration of the appointee's term of office and until a successor is appointed and qualified.

(3) In addition to the appointments provided for in paragraph (1) of this section, the governing authority of Randolph County shall appoint two members from nominees selected in the following manner:

(A) One member of the board shall be selected from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party whose candidate for the office of Governor at the last election for such office received the highest number of votes cast for such office within Randolph County; and

(B) One member of the board shall be selected from a list of nominees provided by the county executive committee of the political party whose candidate for the office of Governor at the last election for such office received the second highest number of votes cast for such office within Randolph County.

(4) The terms for the initial appointments made pursuant to paragraph (3) of this section shall begin on July 1, 2021, and shall expire on June 30, 2024. Thereafter, the members appointed pursuant to paragraph (3) of this section shall serve for terms of four years beginning on the first day of July immediately following the expiration of the appointee's term of office and until a successor is appointed and qualified.

(5) Members appointed pursuant to paragraph (3) of this section shall be initially nominated by the chairperson of the political party with such nomination being ratified by the county executive committee of such party. Such political party or parties, as the

case may be, shall complete the nomination process at least 30 days before the beginning of a term of office or within 30 days after the creation of a vacancy in such office."

**SECTION 2.**

Said Act is further amended by revising Section 5 as follows:

"SECTION 5.

Before entering upon their duties, each member of the board shall take substantially the same oath as required by general law for registrars. Each member shall have the same privileges from arrest as registrars. Each member shall pledge to refrain from engaging in political activity or advocacy that would cast doubt on his or her ability to fairly and impartially execute his or her duties as a member of the board."

**SECTION 3.**

Said Act is further amended in Section 8 by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(d) The chair of the board shall be elected by majority vote of all members of the board."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there was no objection, and the substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bills as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bills on the Local Consent Calendar, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local bills, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

The bills on the Local Consent Calendar, except SB 284, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

SB 284, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 32, HB 282, HB 317, HB 477, HB 517, and HB 587, which were on today's Senate Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 36, nays 16; the motion prevailed, and HB 32, HB 282, HB 317, HB 477, HB 517, and HB 587 were engrossed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2020

I inadvertently voted yes on Engrossment. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Rhett of the 33rd

Senator Anderson of the 43rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Halpern of the 39th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Halpern was excused.

SENATE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021
THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| HB 509 | Insurance; require certain insurers to make at least one reasonably priced comprehensive major medical health insurance policy available (I&L-17th) Gaines-117th |
| HB 714 | Georgia Civil Practice Act; revise and provide for new requirements (Substitute)(I&L-18th) Kelley-16th |
| HB 307 | Georgia Telehealth Act; revise (Substitute)(H&HS-32nd) Cooper-43rd |
| HB 635 | Courts; each judge of the superior court, state court, and probate court and each magistrate shall have authority to perform any lawful judicial act; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-17th) Leverett-33rd |
| HB 539 | Medical Practice Act of the State of Georgia; institutional licenses; revise provisions (Substitute)(H&HS-11th) Cooper-43rd |
| HB 371 | Evidence; certain proceedings may be conducted by video conference; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-53rd) Gunter-8th |
| HB 67 | State government; public property; extend automatic repeals of certain provisions (Substitute) (Rules-46th) (Substitute) (H ED) Martin-49th |
| HB 355 | Georgia Carbon Sequestration Registry; inclusion of building products in construction; provisions (NR&E-7th) Wiedower-119th |

HB 411 Prosecuting Attorneys Oversight Commission; create (Substitute)(JUDY-29th) Gullett-19th

HB 605 Health; provide for authorized electronic monitoring in long-term care facilities (Substitute)(H&HS-18th) Cooper-43rd

HB 290 Hospitals and nursing homes; policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients' abilities to be visited by designated family members and friends; provisions (Substitute)(H&HS-19th) Setzler-35th

HB 282 Ad valorem tax; qualified timberland property; add a definition (Substitute)(FIN-52nd) Meeks-178th

HB 458 Georgia Composite Medical Board; require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members (Substitute)(H&HS-32nd) Cooper-43rd

HB 134 State government; meetings relating to cybersecurity contracting and planning from open meeting requirements; exclude (S&T-50th) Anderson-10th

HB 619 Heritage trust program; sale of Patrick's Fishing Paradise to a private entity; authorize (Substitute)(GvtO-7th) Houston-170th

HB 575 Ad valorem tax; authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use (Substitute)(FIN-18th) Dickey-140th

SR 281 Senate Study Committee on Violence Against Health Care Workers; create (RULES-49th)

HB 218 Crimes and offenses; weapons carry license reciprocity in this state; expand (Substitute) (Rules-50th) (Substitute) (PUB SAF) Ballinger-23rd

HB 94 Crimes and offenses; provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail (Substitute)(JUDY-18th) Rich-97th

HB 174 Motor vehicles; federal regulations regarding safe operation of motor carriers and commercial motor vehicles; update reference date (TRANS-25th) Wiedower-119th

HB 495 Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board; revise duties (PUB SAF-29th) Crowe-110th

HB 534 Crimes and offenses; promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; provide for offense (JUDY-10th) Bonner-72nd

HB 562 Criminal procedure; add DFCS case managers to people for whom arrest warrants may be issued only by certain judicial officers (Substitute)(JUDY-17th) Carpenter-4th

HB 676 Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority Act; enact (Substitute)(AG&CA-20th) Houston-170th

HR 143 Property; granting of non-exclusive easements; authorize (Substitute)(SI&P-28th) Greene-151st

HR 142 Property; conveyance of certain state owned property; authorize (Substitute)(SI&P-28th) Greene-151st

HR 130 Board of Community Affairs; approving transfer of Forsyth County from Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to Atlanta Regional Commission; ratify action (Substitute)(GvtO-27th) McDonald-26th

HB 653 Georgia Pharmacy Practice Act; pharmacy care; revise definition (H&HS-52nd) Jasperse-11th

HB 409 Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; establish (Substitute)(GvtO-50th) Gunter-8th

HB 43 Motor vehicles; require registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate (Substitute)(PUB SAF-14th) Cantrell-22nd

HB 128 Health; prohibit providers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient (H&HS-45th) Williams-145th

HB 152 Postsecondary education; exemption applicable to certain institutions operating on military installations or bases; revise provisions (H ED-54th)

Wiedower-119th

HB 165 Motor vehicles; use of mounts on windshields for the support of wireless telecommunications devices and stand-alone electronic devices under certain circumstances; allow (TRANS-29th) Barr-103rd

HB 466 Motor vehicles; number of required hours in the intervention component of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs; reduce (Substitute)(PUB SAF-29th) Powell-32nd

HB 470 Property; no plans are required when units are not designated by physical structures; provide (JUDY-28th) Washburn-141st

HB 617 Postsecondary education; student athletes may receive compensation for use of name, image, or likeness; provide (H ED-46th) Martin-49th

HB 273 Distilled spirits; initiate a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses; provide additional method (Substitute) (Rules-28th) (Substitute) (RI&U) Ballinger-23rd

HB 179 Special license plates; support breast cancer related programs; amend logo design (PUB SAF-3rd) Camp-131st

HB 194 Criminal procedure; term of probation shall follow mandatory term of imprisonment for persons convicted of a sexual offense; clarify (Substitute)(JUDY-50th) Sainz-180th

HB 231 Crimes and offenses; victims of stalking; expand applicability of protective orders (Substitute)(JUDY-17th) Gaines-117th

HB 241 Insurance; revise meaning of property insurance; change parameters under which certain contracts or agreements may be canceled (I&L-29th) Gambill-15th

HB 246 Motor vehicles; issuance of replacement licenses and permits; increase fee (PUB SAF-56th) Watson-172nd

HB 254 Insurance; Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; increase (Substitute)(I&L-29th) Lumsden-12th

HB 255 Sexual Assault Reform Act of 2021; enact (PUB SAF-56th) Holcomb-81st

HB 287 Education; tobacco and vapor products in course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs; include (Substitute)(ED&Y-32nd) Rich-97th

HB 328 Public utilities; one-time right of way permit fee and reduce annual right of way use fees; establish (RI&U-51st) Momtahan-17th

HB 317 Excise tax; revise definition of innkeeper to include marketplace facilitators; provisions (Substitute) (Rules-49th) (Substitute) (FIN) Stephens-164th

HB 334 Superior courts; clerks; notaries public; provisions (Substitute)(JUDY-19th) Gullett-19th

HB 338 Motor vehicles; issuance of veterans' driver's licenses; revise qualifications (VM&HS-3rd) DeLoach-167th

HB 369 Physicians; job description submission to Georgia Composite Medical Board; provisions (Substitute)(H&HS-20th) Powell-32nd

HB 306 Corporations, partnership, and associations; corporations may hold shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; provide (Substitute)(JUDY-50th) Gunter-8th

HB 32 Income tax; credit for teacher recruitment and retention program; provide (Substitute)(FIN-25th) Belton-112th

HB 443 Torts; transfer of structured settlement payment rights; provide new requirements (Substitute)(JUDY-4th) Leverett-33rd

HB 454 Insurance; certain coverage requirements concerning providers that become out-of-network during a plan year; provide (Substitute) (Rules-49th) (Substitute) (I&L) Newton-123rd

HB 449 Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act; revise (Substitute)(RI&U-37th) Smith-133rd

HB 479 Criminal procedure; revise certain arrest powers; provisions (JUDY-46th) Reeves-34th

HB 548 Social services; reasonable access to records concerning reports of child abuse to the Administrative Office of the Courts; provide (JUDY-50th) Dempsey-13th

HB 591 Mental health; marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians and others are authorized to perform; authorize (Substitute)(JUDY-32nd) Hogan-179th

HB 532 Labor, Department of; employment security; change certain provisions (I&L-16th) Werkheiser-157th

HB 117 Low THC Oil Patient Registry; ulcerative colitis as a condition for which low THC oil may be used for treatment; add (Substitute)(H&HS-29th) Wilensky-79th

HB 517 Education; calculation of minimum revenue obligations for scholarships and tuition grants; provide for the inclusion of earned interest (Substitute)(FIN-54th) Carson-46th

HB 480 Property; creation, declaration and priority of liens for labor, services, or materials performed or furnished by registered interior designers; provide (RI&U-24th) Washburn-141st

HB 477 Income tax; applications for credit for qualified donations of real property; extend sunset date (Substitute) (Rules-52nd) (Substitute) (FIN) Watson-172nd

HB 587 Georgia Economic Renewal Act of 2021; enact (Substitute)(FIN-18th) Williamson-115th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 509. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Cooper of the 43rd,

Wiedower of the 119th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 30 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to group or blanket accident and sickness insurance, so as to require certain insurers to make at least one reasonably priced comprehensive major medical health insurance policy available to residents in this state without limitation or exclusion based on preexisting conditions; to condition such requirement on the repeal or judicial invalidation of certain provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 1.

HB 509, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

HB 714. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 8 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisional and final remedies and special proceedings, so as to revise and provide for new requirements under the Georgia Civil Practice Act for settlement offers and arrangements for tort claims for personal injury, bodily injury, and death; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to kinds of insurance, limits of risks, and reinsurance, so as to revise the liability of an insurer upon refusal to pay an insured for any loss pursuant to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies; to revise a penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to HB 714:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 8 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisional and final remedies and special proceedings, so as to revise and provide for new requirements under the Georgia Civil Practice Act for settlement offers and arrangements for tort claims for personal injury, bodily injury, and death; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to kinds of insurance, limits of risks, and reinsurance, so as to revise the liability of an insurer upon refusal to pay an insured for any loss pursuant to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies; to revise a penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 8 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisional and final remedies and special proceedings, is amended by revising Code Section 9-11-67.1, relating to settlement offers and agreements for personal injury, bodily injury, and death from motor vehicle, and payment methods, as follows:

"9-11-67.1.

(a) Prior to the filing of ~~a civil action~~ an answer, any offer to settle a tort claim for personal injury, bodily injury, or death arising from the use of a motor vehicle and prepared by or with the assistance of an attorney on behalf of a claimant or claimants shall be in writing and:

(1) Shall contain the following material terms:

~~(1)~~(A) The time period within which such offer must be accepted, which shall be

not less than 30 days from receipt of the offer;

~~(2)~~(B) Amount of monetary payment;

~~(3)~~(C) The party or parties the claimant or claimants will release if such offer is accepted;

~~(4)~~(D) For any ~~The~~ type of release, ~~if any,~~ whether the release is full or limited and an itemization of what the claimant or claimants will provide to each releasee; and

~~(5)~~(E) The claims to be released;

(2) Shall include medical or other records in the offeror's possession incurred as a result of the subject claim that are sufficient to allow the recipient to evaluate the claim; and

(3) May include a term requiring that in order to settle the claim the recipient shall provide the offeror a statement, under oath, regarding whether all liability and casualty insurance issued by the recipient that provides coverage or that may provide coverage for the claim at issue has been disclosed to the offeror.

(b)(1) Unless otherwise agreed by both the offeror and the recipients in writing, the terms outlined in subsection (a) of this Code section shall be the only terms which can be included in an offer to settle made under this Code section.

(2) The recipients of an offer to settle made under this Code section may accept the same by providing written acceptance of the material terms outlined in subsection (a) of this Code section in their entirety.

(c) Nothing in this Code section is intended to prohibit parties from reaching a settlement agreement in a manner and under terms otherwise agreeable to both the ~~parties~~ offeror and recipient of the offer.

(d) Upon receipt of an offer to settle set forth in subsection (a) of this Code section, the recipients shall have the right to seek clarification regarding the terms, the terms of the release, liens, subrogation claims, standing to release claims, medical bills, medical records, and other relevant facts. An attempt to seek reasonable clarification shall be in writing and shall not be deemed a counteroffer. In addition, if a release is not provided with an offer to settle, a recipient's providing of a proposed release shall not be deemed a counteroffer.

(e) An offer to settle made pursuant to this Code section shall be sent by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, ~~and~~ shall specifically reference this Code section, and shall include an address or a facsimile number or email address to which a written acceptance pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section may be provided.

(f) The person or entity providing payment to satisfy the material term set forth in ~~paragraph (2) of subsection (a)~~ subparagraph (a)(1)(B) of this Code section may elect to provide payment by any one or more of the following means:

(1) Cash;

(2) Money order;

(3) Wire transfer;

(4) A cashier's check issued by a bank or other financial institution;

(5) A draft or bank check issued by an insurance company; or

(6) Electronic funds transfer or other method of electronic payment.

(g) Nothing in this Code section shall prohibit a party making an offer to settle from requiring payment within a specified period; provided, however, that such ~~period shall be not less than ten days after the written acceptance of the offer to settle~~ date shall not be less than 40 days from the receipt of the offer.

(h) This Code section shall apply to causes of action for personal injury, bodily injury, and death arising from the use of a motor vehicle on or after July 1, ~~2013~~ 2021."

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 7 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to kinds of insurance, limits of risks, and reinsurance, is amended by revising subsection (j) of Code Section 33-7-11, relating to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies, as follows:

"(j) If the insurer shall refuse to pay any insured any loss covered by this Code section within 60 days after a demand has been made by the insured and a finding has been made that such refusal was made in bad faith, the insurer shall be liable to the insured in addition to any recovery under this Code section for not more than 25 percent of the recovery or $25,000.00, whichever is greater, and all reasonable attorney's fees for the prosecution of the case under this Code section. The question of bad faith, the amount of the penalty, if any, and the reasonable attorney's fees, if any, shall be determined in a separate action filed by the insured against the insurer after a judgment has been rendered against the uninsured motorist in the original tort action. The attorney's fees shall be fixed on the basis of competent expert evidence as to the reasonable value of the services, based on the time spent and legal and factual issues involved, in accordance with prevailing fees in the locality where the action is pending. The trial court shall have the discretion, if it finds such jury verdict fixing attorney's fees to be greatly excessive or inadequate, to review and amend such portion of the verdict fixing attorney's fees without the necessity of disapproving the entire verdict. The limitations contained in this subsection in reference to the amount of attorney's fees are not controlling as to the fees which may be agreed upon by the plaintiff and his or her attorney for the services of the attorney in the action against the insurer."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall apply to causes of action accruing on or after July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Parent of the 42nd and Kennedy of the 18th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to HB 714 (LC 41 3160S) by replacing line 8 with the following:*

policies; to revise a penalty; to amend an Act known as the “Metropolitan Atlanta

Rapid Transit Authority Act of 1965," approved March 10, 1965 (Ga. L. 1965, p. 2243), as amended, so as to provide for venue for actions against the authority or relative to revenue bonds; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to

*By replacing lines 94 to 97 with the following:*

**SECTION 3.**

An Act known as the "Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority Act of 1965," approved March 10, 1965 (Ga. L. 1965, p. 2243), as amended, is amended in Section 10 by revising subsection (t) as follows:

"(t) Any action to protect or enforce any rights under the provisions of this Act or any suit or action against such Authority, except as provided in Section 9(c), shall be brought in ~~the~~ either State or Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, and any action pertaining to validation of any bonds issued under the provisions of this Act shall likewise be brought in said court, which shall have exclusive, original jurisdiction of such actions."

**SECTION 4.**

This Act shall apply to causes of action accruing on or after July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Parent amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |

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| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 1.

HB 714, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 307. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Lott of the 122nd, Gaines of the 117th, Frye of the 118th, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to revise the "Georgia Telehealth Act"; to revise definitions; to authorize health care providers to provide telemedicine services from home; to authorize patients to receive telemedicine services from their home, workplace, or school; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 307:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to revise the "Georgia Telehealth Act"; to revise definitions; to authorize health care providers to provide telemedicine services from home; to authorize patients to receive telemedicine services from their home, workplace, or school; to allow for audio-only care under certain circumstances; to prohibit requirement that patient have in-person consultation before receiving telemedicine services; to prohibit more stringent utilization review requirements; to prohibit separate deductibles for telemedicine services; to prohibit requirement that health care providers use a specific telehealth platform or vendor; to prohibit additional restrictions on prescribing medications

through telemedicine; to require documentation by health care providers for telemedicine services that equals or exceeds in-person consultation; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, is amended by revising Code Section 33-24-56.4, relating to the "Georgia Telehealth Act," as follows:

"33-24-56.4.

(a) This Code section shall be known and may be cited as the 'Georgia Telehealth Act.'

(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Distant site' means a site at which a health care provider legally allowed to practice in this state is located while providing health care services by means of telemedicine or telehealth, which may include the home of the health care provider.

(2) 'Health benefit policy' means any individual or group plan, policy, or contract for health care services issued, delivered, issued for delivery, executed, or renewed in this state, including, but not limited to, any health insurance plan established under Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 or under Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49.

(3) 'Insurer' means an accident and sickness insurer, fraternal benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, health care corporation, health maintenance organization, provider sponsored health care corporation, managed care entity, or any similar entity authorized to issue contracts under this title or to provide health benefit policies.

(3.1) 'Interprofessional consultation' means an assessment and management service in which a patient's health care provider seeks treatment advice from a consulting provider with specific specialty expertise to assist the patient's health care provider in diagnosing or treating the patient.

(4) 'Originating site' means a site ~~in this state~~ at which a patient is located at the time health care services are provided to him or her by means of telemedicine or telehealth, ~~unless the term is otherwise defined with respect to the provision in which it is used~~ which may include a patient's home, workplace, or school; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of law, insurers and providers may agree to alternative siting arrangements deemed appropriate by the parties.

(5) 'Store and forward transfer' means the transmission of a patient's medical information either to or from an originating site or to or from the provider at the distant site, but does not require the patient being present nor must it be in real time.

(6) 'Telehealth' means the use of information and communications technologies, including, but not limited to, telephones, remote patient monitoring devices or other electronic means which support clinical health care, provider consultation, patient and professional health related education, public health, and health administration.

(7) 'Telemedicine' means a form of telehealth which is the delivery of clinical health

care services by means of ~~real time~~ real-time two-way audio, visual, or other telecommunications or electronic communications, including the application of secure video conferencing or store and forward transfer technology to provide or support health care delivery, which facilitate the assessment, diagnosis, consultation, treatment, education, care management, and self-management of a patient's health care by a health care provider practicing within his or her scope of practice as would be practiced in-person with a patient as prescribed by applicable federal and state laws, rules, and regulations, and legally allowed to practice in this state, while such patient is at an originating site and the health care provider is at a distant site. Such term includes audio-only telephone only when no other means of real-time two-way audio, visual, or other telecommunications or electronic communications are available to the patient due to lack of availability of such real-time two-way audio, visual, or other telecommunications or electronic communications, due to lack of adequate broadband access, or because the use of other means of real-time two-way audio, visual, or other telecommunications or electronic communications is infeasible, impractical, or otherwise not medically advisable, as determined by the health care provider providing telemedicine services to the patient or as determined by another health care provider with an existing relationship with the patient.

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly to mitigate geographic discrimination in the delivery of health care by recognizing the application of and payment for covered medical care provided by means of telehealth, provided that such services are provided by a physician or by another health care practitioner or professional acting within the scope of practice of such health care practitioner or professional and in accordance with the provisions of Code Section 43-34-31.

(d) Each insurer proposing to issue a health benefit policy shall provide coverage for the cost of health care services provided through telehealth or telemedicine as directed through regulations promulgated by the department.

(e) An insurer shall not exclude a service for coverage solely because the service is provided through telemedicine services and is not provided through in-person consultation or contact between a health care provider and a patient for services appropriately provided through telemedicine services.

(f) No insurer shall require an in-person consultation or contact before a patient may receive telemedicine services from a health care provider, except for the purposes of initial installation, setup, or delivery of in-home telehealth devices or services, or as otherwise required by state or federal law, rule, or regulation.

~~(f)~~(g) An insurer shall reimburse the treating provider or the consulting provider for the diagnosis, consultation, or treatment of the insured delivered through telemedicine services on the same basis and at least at the rate that the insurer is responsible for coverage for the provision of the same service through in-person consultation or contact; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall require (1) a health care provider or telemedicine company to accept more reimbursement than they are willing to charge or (2) an insurer to pay for a telemedicine service provided through an audio-only call for any service other than mental or behavioral health services. Payment for telemedicine

interactions shall include reasonable compensation to the originating or distant site for the transmission cost incurred during the delivery of health care services; provided, however, that this shall not require the insurer to include payment for transmission costs if the originating or distant site is a home.

(h) If a treating provider obtains interprofessional consultation from a consulting provider for a patient for whom the treating provider conducted an examination through telemedicine services, an insurer shall not require the consulting provider to conduct, either in-person or through telemedicine services, an examination of such patient in order to receive reimbursement, unless such examination by the consulting provider would be required for the provision of the same services when the initial examination of the patient by the treating provider was conducted through in-person consultation or contact.

~~(g)~~(i) No insurer shall impose any deductible or annual or lifetime dollar maximum on coverage for telemedicine services other than ~~an~~ a deductible or annual or lifetime dollar maximum that applies in the aggregate to all items and services covered under the policy, or impose upon any person receiving benefits pursuant to this Code section any copayment, coinsurance, or deductible amounts, or any policy year, calendar year, lifetime, or other durational benefit limitation or maximum for benefits or services, that is not equally imposed upon all terms and services covered under the health benefit policy.

~~(h)~~(j) No insurer shall require its insureds to use telemedicine services in lieu of in-person consultation or contact.

~~(i)~~(k) On and after January 1, 2020, every health benefit policy that is issued, amended, or renewed shall include payment for services that are covered under such health benefit policy and are appropriately provided through telehealth in accordance with Code Section 43-34-31, this Code section, and generally accepted health care practices and standards prevailing in the applicable professional community at the time the services were provided.

(l) No insurer shall impose any type of utilization review on telemedicine services unless such type of utilization review is imposed when the same services are provided through in-person consultation or contact.

(m) No insurer shall restrict coverage of telehealth or telemedicine services to services provided by a particular vendor, or other third party, or services provided through a particular electronic communications technology platform; provided, however, that nothing in this Code section shall require an insurer to cover any telehealth or telemedicine services provided through an electronic communications technology platform that does not comply with applicable state and federal privacy laws.

(n) No insurer shall place any restrictions on prescribing medications through telemedicine that are more restrictive than what is required under applicable state and federal laws for prescribing medications through in-person consultation or contact.

(o) A health care provider shall maintain documentation of each health care service provided through telemedicine in a manner that is at least as extensive and thorough as when the health care service is provided through in-person consultation or contact and, upon request, make such documentation available in accordance with applicable state and

federal law.
(p) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit, alter, or expand the scope of practice, standard of care, prescriptive authority, or supervision requirements for health care providers or privacy rights, other than as provided in applicable federal law and state laws, rules, and regulations."

**SECTION 2.**
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 307, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 635. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Wilensky of the 79th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to courts, so as to provide that each judge of the superior court, state court, and probate court and each magistrate shall have authority to perform any lawful judicial act regardless of where he or she is physically located at the time of such act; to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to provide for the issuance of arrest warrants by a judge regardless of where such judge is physically located; to revise standards for holding a court of inquiry; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, so as to revise when superior courts are authorized to use alternative locations; to provide for criteria; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 635:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To revise certain procedural and administrative matters of the courts; to amend Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 32 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts and general provisions regarding municipal courts, respectively, so as to provide that each judge of the superior court, state court, probate court, and municipal court and each magistrate shall have authority to perform any lawful judicial act regardless of where he or she is physically located at the time of such act; to amend Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, so as to provide for the issuance of arrest warrants by a judge regardless of where such judge is physically located; to revise standards for holding a court of inquiry; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, so as to revise when superior courts are authorized to use alternative locations; to provide for criteria; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pretrial proceedings, so as to provide for trials by a court sitting without a jury under certain circumstances; to provide for exceptions; to provide for requirements and procedures; to provide for an automatic repeal; to revise authority for trial upon accusations; to provide for a definition; to provide for a sunset date for trial upon accusations in certain instances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other

purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding courts, is amended by revising Code Section 15-6-16, relating to no authority when absent from state, as follows:

"15-6-16.

~~No~~ Each judge of the superior ~~courts~~ court shall have authority to perform any judicial act ~~required of him by law when he is beyond the jurisdiction of this state~~ which he or she is lawfully entitled to perform, regardless of where such judge is located when such judicial act is performed."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-7-4, relating to jurisdiction, to read as follows:

"(c) Each judge of the state court shall have authority to perform any judicial act which he or she is lawfully entitled to perform, regardless of where such judge is located when such judicial act is performed."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-9-30, relating to subject matter jurisdiction, powers and duties generally, and copy of Official Code of Georgia Annotated furnished for each judge, to read as follows:

"(d) Each judge of the probate court shall have authority to perform any judicial act which he or she is lawfully entitled to perform, regardless of where such judge is located when such judicial act is performed."

**SECTION 1-4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 15-9-82, relating to terms of court and place for court, as follows:

"15-9-82.

(a) The probate court shall be held at the place prescribed for the superior court or in the office of the judge of the probate court in each county, by the judge thereof, on the first Monday in January, April, July, and October and shall continue in session from day to day as the business of the court may require. If the first Monday in a given term should happen to fall on a legal holiday, the probate courts throughout this state shall convene on the following day.

(b) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to restrict the judge of the probate court from having the authority to engage in any judicial act which he or she is lawfully

entitled to perform, regardless of where the judge is located when the act is performed."

**SECTION 1-5.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 15-10-2, relating to general jurisdiction, as follows:

"15-10-2.

(a) Each magistrate court and each magistrate thereof shall have jurisdiction and power over the following matters:

(1) The hearing of applications for and the issuance of arrest and search warrants;

(2) Issuance of warrants and related proceedings as provided in Article 4 of Chapter 6 of Title 17, relating to bonds for good behavior and bonds to keep the peace;

(3) The holding of courts of inquiry;

(4) The trial of charges of violations of county ordinances and penal ordinances of state authorities;

(5) The trial of civil claims including garnishment and attachment in which exclusive jurisdiction is not vested in the superior court and the amount demanded or the value of the property claimed does not exceed $15,000.00, provided that no prejudgment attachment may be granted;

(6) The issuance of summons, trial of issues, and issuance of writs and judgments in dispossessory proceedings and distress warrant proceedings as provided in Articles 3 and 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 44;

(7) The punishment of contempts by fine not exceeding $200.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding ten days or both;

(8) The administration of any oath which is not required by law to be administered by some other officer;

(9) The granting of bail in all cases where the granting of bail is not exclusively committed to some other court or officer;

(10) The issuing of subpoenas to compel attendance of witnesses in the magistrate court and subpoenas for the production of documentary evidence before the magistrate court;

(11) Such other matters as are committed to their jurisdiction by other general laws;

(12) The trial and sentencing of misdemeanor violations of Code Section 16-9-20, relating to criminal issuance of bad checks, as provided by Article 10 of this chapter;

(13) The execution or subscribing and the acceptance of written waivers of extradition in the same manner provided for in Code Section 17-13-46;

(14) The trial and sentencing of misdemeanor violations of other Code sections as provided by Article 13 of this chapter;

(15) The foreclosure of liens on animals as established in Title 4;

(16) The foreclosure of liens on abandoned mobile homes as established in Article 6 of Chapter 7 of Title 44; and

(17) The foreclosure of liens on abandoned motor vehicles as established in Article 1A of Chapter 11 of Title 40, 'The Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act.'

(b) Each magistrate shall have authority to perform any judicial act which he or she is

lawfully entitled to perform, regardless of where such magistrate is located when such judicial act is performed."

**SECTION 1-6.**

Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 17-4-47, relating to issuance of warrants by video conference, testimony, initial bond hearings, and oaths , as follows:

"(a) A judge of any court in this state authorized to issue arrest warrants pursuant to Code Section 17-4-40 may, as an alternative to other laws relating to the issuance of arrest warrants, conduct such applications for the issuance of arrest warrants by video conference. The issuance of an arrest warrant by video conference shall be valid irrespective of the physical location of the judge at the time of the video conference, provided that the judge issuing the warrant is authorized by law to issue such warrant~~, and, at the time such warrant is issued, he or she is physically located within this state~~."

**SECTION 1-7.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 17-5-21.1, relating to issuance of search warrants by video conference, as follows:

"(a) A judge of any court in this state authorized to issue search warrants pursuant to Code Section 17-5-21 may, as an alternative to other laws relating to the issuance of search warrants, conduct such applications for the issuance of search warrants by video conference. The issuance of a search warrant by video conference shall be valid irrespective of the physical location of the judge at the time of the video conference, provided that the judge issuing the warrant is authorized by law to issue such warrant~~, and, at the time such warrant is issued, he or she is physically located within this state~~."

**SECTION 1-8.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 17-7-20, relating to persons who may hold court of inquiry and procedure where offense committed in county which is member of regional jail authority, as follows:

"17-7-20.

Any judge of a superior or state court, judge of the probate court, magistrate, or officer of a municipality who has the criminal jurisdiction of a magistrate may hold a court of inquiry to examine ~~into~~ an accusation against a person legally arrested and brought before him or her. The time and place of the inquiry shall be determined by such judicial officer. ~~Should the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed be a member of a regional jail authority created under Article 5 of Chapter 4 of Title 42, the 'Regional Jail Authorities Act,' the~~ Such judge may order the court of inquiry to be conducted ~~alternatively in the county in which the offense is alleged to have been committed or in facilities available at the regional jail or~~ by audio-visual communication between ~~the two locations and between~~ the accused, the court, the attorneys, and the witnesses."

**SECTION 1-9.**

Article 1 of Chapter 32 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding municipal courts, is amended by revising Code Section 36-32-12, relating to municipal court held outside municipality, as follows:

"36-32-12.

Notwithstanding any other contrary provision of law, local or general, sessions of a municipal court may be held outside the municipality for which the municipal court is established if such sessions are held within a county in which the municipality is located or has its legal situs. Nothing in this code section shall be construed to restrict the judge of a municipal court from having authority to engage in any judicial act which he or she is lawfully entitled to perform, regardless of where the judge is located when the act is performed."

**PART II.**

**SECTION 2-1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, is amended by repealing Code Section 15-6-18, relating to alternative locations, in its entirety and replacing such Code section with a new Code Section 15-6-18 to read as follows:

"15-6-18.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, if for any cause it shall be impracticable to hold any session of any superior or state court at the courthouse or other place provided by law therefor, it shall be lawful to hold such court at an alternative facility that the governing authority of the county or counties for such county or circuit, by appropriate resolution, deem would be in the best interest of the public with considerations for transportation burden being paramount; provided, however, that:

(1) No such court may be held at any place that is outside the county or an adjoining county or that is not open to and accessible by the public, including, but not limited to, members of the public who:

(A) Have a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities;

(B) Have a record of such an impairment; or

(C) Are regarded as having such an impairment; and

(2) Criminal jury trials may be conducted in alternative locations so long as the governing authority owns the facility or has a contractual relationship with such alternative location for such use.

(b)(1) This subsection shall apply only in a county in which there exists a state court with one or more courtrooms regularly utilized by the state court outside the county site. In any such county any session of superior court may be held outside the county site in a courtroom of the state court, subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(A) The chief judge of superior court enters a written order for such session of superior court to be so held outside the county site, and such order shall incorporate a written finding that it is impracticable for the session of court to be held at the county site;

(B) A judge of the state court must enter a written order consenting for such session of superior court to be held in the courtroom of the state court;

(C) The holding of superior court sessions shall not affect the place of filing of documents to be filed with the superior court, except for documents filed in open court which may be filed where the session of court is held; and

(D) Any state court making courtroom space available to the superior court under this subsection shall be authorized under the same rules to hold sessions of state court in facilities of the superior court.

(2) In each county of this state where the county site is located in an unincorporated area of the county and the governing authority of such county determines by appropriate resolution that the best interest of the citizens of such county would be served by the construction of a courthouse annex or satellite courthouse outside the county site, it shall be lawful to hold any session of superior or state court or grand jury and to conduct all other related business of the courts at such annex or satellite courthouse.

(c) All acts of a superior court or state court done at a place provided by this Code section, other than at the county courthouse or other place of holding such court as fixed by law, shall have the same force and effect as if the same had been done at the regular courthouse or other place fixed by law for the holding of such court, including the satisfaction of the requirements of Code Section 15-6-17."

**PART III**.
**SECTION 3-1.**

Chapter 7 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to pretrial proceedings, is amended by adding a new Code section in Article 1, relating to general provisions, to read as follows:

"17-7-4.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'serious violent felony' shall have the same meaning as provided for under Code Section 17-10-6.1.

(b) Except as to trials conducted under Article 2 of Chapter 10 of this title and except for trials involving a serious violent felony, the accused in any felony or misdemeanor case may elect in writing to be tried by the court sitting without a jury by filing such request with the clerk of court and serving such request upon the prosecuting attorney and the judge to whom the case is assigned or, if the case is not assigned, upon the chief judge of the court in which the case is pending.

(c) When an accused elects a trial by the court sitting without a jury, the court shall, on the record:

(1) Advise the accused about the right to a trial by jury and the differences between

trial by jury and trial by a court sitting without a jury; and

(2) Inquire whether the accused's election is knowing, intelligent, and voluntary.

(d) In criminal prosecutions when a jury trial has been expressly waived, the court may nevertheless order a trial with a jury. The court shall consider the prosecuting attorney's request for a jury trial, but the prosecuting attorney's objection shall not preclude the court from granting a request by the accused for a trial by the court sitting without a jury under subsection (b) of this Code section.

(e) This Code section shall stand repealed in its entirety on June 30, 2022."

**SECTION 3-2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 17-7-70, relating to trial upon accusations in felony cases and trial upon accusations of felony and misdemeanor cases in which guilty plea entered and indictment waived, as follows:

"17-7-70.

~~(a) In all felony cases, other than cases involving capital felonies, in which defendants have been bound over to the superior court, are confined in jail or released on bond pending a commitment hearing, or are in jail having waived a commitment hearing, the district attorney shall have authority to prefer accusations, and such defendants shall be tried on such accusations, provided that defendants going to trial under such accusations shall, in writing, waive indictment by a grand jury.~~

~~(b)~~ Judges of the superior court may open their courts at any time without the presence of either a grand jury or a trial jury to receive and act upon pleas of guilty in misdemeanor cases and in felony cases, except those punishable by death or life imprisonment, when the judge and the defendant consent thereto. The judge may try the issues in such cases without a jury upon an accusation filed by the district attorney where the defendant has waived indictment and consented thereto in writing and counsel is present in court representing the defendant either by virtue of his or her employment or by appointment by the court."

**SECTION 3-3.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 17-7-70.1, relating to trial upon accusations in certain felony and misdemeanor cases and trial upon plea of guilty or nolo contendere, as follows:

"17-7-70.1.

(a)(1) In felony cases involving violations of the following:

(A) Code Sections 16-8-2, 16-8-14, 16-8-18, 16-9-1, 16-9-20, 16-9-31, 16-9-33, 16-9-37, 16-10-52, and 40-5-58;

(B) Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16, relating to theft;

(C) Chapter 9 of Title 16, relating to forgery and fraudulent practices;

(D) Article 3 of Chapter 10 of Title 16, relating to escape and other offenses related to confinement; ~~or~~

(E) Code Section 16-11-131, relating to possession of a firearm by a convicted felon or first offender probationer; or

(F) Code Section 16-13-30, relating to the purchase, possession, manufacture, distribution, or sale of controlled substances or marijuana,

in which defendants have either been bound over to the superior court based on a finding of probable cause pursuant to a commitment hearing under Article 2 of this chapter or have expressly or by operation of law waived a commitment hearing, the district attorney shall have authority to prefer accusations, and the defendants shall be tried on such accusations according to the same rules of substantive and procedural laws relating to defendants who have been indicted by a grand jury.

(2) All laws relating to rights and responsibilities attendant to indicted cases shall be applicable to cases brought by accusations signed by the district attorney.

(3) The accusation need not be supported by an affidavit except in those cases in which the defendant has not been previously arrested in conjunction with the transaction charged in the accusation or when the accusation is to be used as the basis for the issuance of an arrest warrant.

(a.1)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'serious violent felony' shall have the same meaning as provided for under Code Section 17-10-6.1.

(2) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the district attorney shall have authority to prefer accusations, and the accused shall be tried on such accusations according to the same rules of substantive and procedural laws relating to defendants who have been indicted by a grand jury for any felony, other than a serious violent felony, in which an accused has ~~The provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section shall apply to violations of Code Section 16-13-30 whenever there has been a finding of probable cause pursuant to a commitment hearing under Article 2 of this chapter or the accused has waived either expressly or by operation of law the right to this hearing~~:

(A) Been bound over to the superior court based on a finding of probable cause pursuant to a commitment hearing under Article 2 of this chapter;

(B) Expressly or by operation of law waived a commitment hearing;

(C) Been released on bond pending a commitment hearing; or

(D) Been confined in jail for at least 45 days since his or her arrest, unless such time frame has been waived in writing by the accused.

(3) Paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall apply to accusations provided for under this subsection.

(4) This subsection shall be repealed in its entirety on June 30, 2022.

(b) Judges of the superior court may open their courts at any time without the presence of either a grand jury or a trial jury to receive and act upon pleas of guilty or nolo contendere in felony and misdemeanor cases. The judge of the superior court may try the issues in such cases without a jury upon an indictment or upon an accusation filed by the district attorney where the defendant has waived trial by jury.

(c) An accusation substantially complying with the form provided in subsections (d) and (e) of Code Section 17-7-71 shall in all cases be sufficient.

(d) The district attorney may not bring an accusation pursuant to this Code section in those cases where the grand jury has heard evidence or conducted an investigation or in

which a no bill has been returned.
(e) Notwithstanding subsections (a) through (d) of this Code section, nothing in this Code section shall affect the rights of public officials to appear before a grand jury as provided in Code Sections 45-11-4 and 45-15-11 or peace officers to appear before a grand jury as provided in Code Section 17-7-52."

**PART IV**.
**SECTION 4-1.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4-2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 635, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 539. By Representative Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Medical Practice Act of the State of Georgia," so as to revise provisions relating to institutional licenses; to provide for a definition; to revise a provision relating to United States Drug Enforcement Administration registration; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Burke of the 11th.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 539:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Civil Practice Act," so as to provide for separate trials for issues of liability and damages in actions for medical malpractice; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Civil Practice Act," is amended by revising Code Section 9-11-42, relating to consolidation and severance, as follows:

"9-11-42.

(a) **Consolidation.** When actions involving a common question of law or fact are pending before the court, if the parties consent, the court may order a joint hearing or trial of any or all the matters in issue in the actions; it may order all the actions consolidated; and it may make such orders concerning proceedings therein as may tend to avoid unnecessary costs or delay.

(b) **Separate trials.**

(1) The court, in furtherance of convenience or to avoid prejudice, may order a separate trial of any claim, cross-claim, counterclaim, or third-party claim, or of any separate issue, or of any number of claims, cross-claims, counterclaims, third-party claims, or issues; and

(2) Upon motion of any party in an action for medical malpractice, as defined in Code Section 9-3-70, the court shall order separate trials for the issue of liability and the issue of damages, unless the court for good cause shown orders a single trial. Evidence relating solely to compensatory damages shall not be admissible until the trier of fact has determined that the defendant is liable. The same trier of fact that tries the issues relating to liability shall try the issues relating to damages."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| E Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | E Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 17, nays 33.

HB 539, having failed to receive the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 21. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of Stonecrest in DeKalb County, approved April 21, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3538), as amended, so as to limit the mayor to voting only in the event of a tie of the council; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 213. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th and Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 10 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to contracts and purchases by public schools, so as to provide for payment on guaranteed energy saving contracts by local school systems using proceeds from local option sales taxes collected for educational purposes; to provide for phased implementation of energy or operational cost savings measures; to revise a definition; to amend Chapter 37 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to guaranteed energy savings performance contracting, so as to revise definitions; to increase the value percentage threshold applicable to certain improvements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 285. By Senator Jones of the 10th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Henry County Water Authority, approved March 28, 1961 (Ga. L. 1961, p. 2588), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 12, 1982 (Ga. L. 1982, p. 4081), so as to provide for a sixth member of the authority's board; to update quorums and majorities of the board; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 286. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act amending and restating an Act known as the "Henry County Development Authority Act," approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5046), as amended, so as to provide for the appointment of a sixth member of the authority appointed by the chairperson

of the Board of Commissioners of Henry County; to revise provisions regarding quorum and majorities of the authority board; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 290. By Senator Hickman of the 4th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the composition of the Board of Education of Evans County, approved March 26, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 4782), as amended, so as to revise the compensation of the board; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 293. By Senators Parent of the 42nd, Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide conditions upon the expansion of the boundaries of the City of Decatur independent school systems that are extended by annexation by the City of Decatur; to provide constitutional authority and legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 296. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to reconstitute the Board of Commissioners of White County, approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for expense allowances for members of the board of commissioners; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 246. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, so as to provide for "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; to provide for exemptions applicable to learning pods; to provide for student attendance; to provide for

administrative and judicial proceedings; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Calendar was resumed.

HB 371. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Reeves of the 34th, Greene of the 151st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 24-13-60 of the O.C.G.A., relating to order requiring prisoner's delivery to serve as witness or criminal defendant generally, expenses, and prisoner under death sentence as witness, so as to provide that certain proceedings may be conducted by video conference; to provide for requirements for such proceedings; to authorize judges to order a prisoner's appearance in court; to provide that attorney-client privilege shall be preserved; to provide for the maintenance of certain records; to amend Article 6 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to Division of Forensic Sciences, so as to provide that employees of the state crime lab or associated laboratories may appear by video teleconference in certain proceedings in court; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Mullis of the 53rd.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 371:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 24 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding securing attendance of witnesses and production and preservation of evidence, so as to provide that certain proceedings may be conducted by video conference; to provide for requirements for such proceedings; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

The General Assembly finds that the proceedings set forth in this Act are authorized under existing rule and laws and the inclusion of the procedures set forth in this Act is merely intended to codify existing practices.

**SECTION 2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 24 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding securing attendance of witnesses and production and preservation of evidence, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"24-13-8.

(a) A judge of any class of court or justice of this state may conduct nonevidentiary hearings by telephone or video conference to the extent and in the manner permitted by the applicable provisions of the uniform rules of the relevant class of court. Administrative law judges of the Office of State Administrative Hearings and the Georgia Tax Tribunal may conduct hearings by telephone or video conference to the extent and in the manner permitted by the provisions of Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.'

(b) Judges of all classes of court and justices who are authorized or required to administer oaths may do so by video conference in accordance with the technical standards of the uniform rules of the relevant class of court.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of other subsections of this Code section to the contrary, video conferencing shall not be authorized for use in any criminal or civil trial.

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, where proceedings are conducted remotely pursuant to this Code section and in accordance with the applicable uniform rules of the relevant class of court, the judge or justice shall not be required to be physically present in the courtroom.

(e) For proceedings conducted pursuant to this Code section and in compliance with the applicable uniform rules of the relevant class of court, such proceedings shall be deemed to have been conducted in open court, provided that the judge or justice and clerk of court are participating in the proceeding and the public is given access to observe the proceeding, whether in the courtroom or remotely.

(f) This Code section shall be repealed in its entirety on June 30, 2022."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that HB 371 be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and HB 371 was placed on the Table.

HB 67. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, England of the 116th, Knight of the 130th, Smyre of the 135th, Reeves of the 34th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to

public property, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding writing off small amounts due to the state; to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Cowsert of the 46th.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 67:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding writing off small amounts due to the state; to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for annual reports regarding nonlapsing revenue; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, is amended in Code Section 50-16-18, relating to writing off small amounts due to the state, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b)(1) All state agencies and departments, in order to preserve public funds, shall be authorized to develop appropriate standards that comply with the policies prescribed by the state accounting officer which will provide a mechanism to consider administratively discharging any obligation or charge in favor of such agency or department when such obligation or charge is $100.00 or any lesser amount unless the agency or department belongs to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia or the Technical College System of Georgia in which case the obligation or charge in favor of the institution under the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia or the institution of the Technical College System of Georgia may be $3,000.00 or any lesser amount. This procedure shall not be available to such agency or department in those instances where the obligor has more than one such debt or

obligation in any given fiscal year, and this provision shall be construed in favor of the state agency or department so as not to alter the unquestioned ability of such state agency or department to pursue any debt, obligation, or claim in any amount whatsoever. In those instances where a debt or obligation of $100.00 or less, or $3,000.00 or less for the institutions of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia or the Technical College System of Georgia, has been deemed to be uncollectable, the proper individual making such determination shall transmit a recapitulation of the efforts made to collect the debt together with all other appropriate information, which shall include a reasonable estimate of the cost to pursue administratively or judicially the account, together with a recommendation to the commissioner of such state agency or department. In those instances where the commissioner makes a determination that further collection efforts would be detrimental to the public's financial interest, a certificate reflecting this determination shall be executed, and this certificate shall serve as the authority to remove such uncollectable accounts from the financial records of such state agency or department. Such certificates shall be forwarded to the state accounting officer in a manner and at such times as are reflected in the standards developed by the state accounting officer and the state agency or department. This paragraph shall stand repealed and reserved effective July 1, ~~2021~~ 2026.

(2) On and after July 1, ~~2021~~ 2026, all state agencies and departments, in order to preserve public funds, shall be authorized to develop appropriate standards that comply with the policies prescribed by the state accounting officer which will provide a mechanism to consider administratively discharging any obligation or charge in favor of such agency or department when such obligation or charge is $100.00 or any lesser amount. This procedure shall not be available to such agency or department in those instances where the obligor has more than one such debt or obligation in any given fiscal year, and this provision shall be construed in favor of the state agency or department so as not to alter the unquestioned ability of such state agency or department to pursue any debt, obligation, or claim in any amount whatsoever. In those instances where a debt or obligation of $100.00 or less has been deemed to be uncollectable, the proper individual making such determination shall transmit a recapitulation of the efforts made to collect the debt together with all other appropriate information, which shall include a reasonable estimate of the cost to pursue administratively or judicially the account, together with a recommendation to the commissioner of such state agency or department. In those instances where the commissioner makes a determination that further collection efforts would be detrimental to the public's financial interest, a certificate reflecting this determination shall be executed, and this certificate shall serve as the authority to remove such uncollectable accounts from the financial records of such state agency or department. Such certificates shall be forwarded to the state accounting officer in a manner and at such times as are reflected in the standards developed by the state accounting officer and the state agency or department."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-3-86, relating to nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the university system, as follows:

"20-3-86.

Revenue collected by any or all institutions in the university system from tuition, departmental sales or services, continuing education fees, technology fees, or indirect cost recoveries shall not lapse. The amount of revenue from tuition that shall not lapse under this Code section shall not exceed 3 percent of the tuition collected. This Code section shall stand repealed on ~~June 30, 2021~~ July 1, 2026. Not later than October 15 of each year, the board of regents shall provide to the Governor, the chairperson of the House Committee on Appropriations, and the chairperson of the Senate Appropriations Committee a report of all nonlapsing revenue provided for in this Code section from the preceding fiscal year, the anticipated plans for use of such nonlapsing revenue, the actual expenses paid for from nonlapsing revenue from the previous fiscal year, and the cumulative balance of nonlapsed revenue."

**SECTION 2-2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 20-4-21.1, relating to nonlapsing revenue of institutions under the Technical College System of Georgia, as follows:

"20-4-21.1.

Revenue collected by any or all institutions under the Technical College System of Georgia from tuition, departmental sales or services, continuing education fees, technology fees, or indirect cost recoveries shall not lapse. The amount of revenue from tuition that shall not lapse under this Code section shall not exceed 15 percent of the tuition collected. This Code section shall stand repealed on ~~June 30, 2021~~ July 1, 2026. Not later than October 15 of each year, the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall provide to the Governor, the chairperson of the House Committee on Appropriations, and the chairperson of the Senate Appropriations Committee a report of all nonlapsing revenue provided for in this Code section from the preceding fiscal year, the anticipated plans for use of such nonlapsing revenue, the actual expenses paid for from nonlapsing revenue from the previous fiscal year, and the cumulative balance of nonlapsed revenue."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3-2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 6.

HB 67, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

HB 355. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Jones of the 25th, Smith of the 70th, Gaines of the 117th, Burns of the 159th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 5 of Chapter 6 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Carbon Sequestration Registry, so as to provide for the inclusion of building products in construction on the registry; to provide for definitions; to allow participants in the registry to voluntarily report the utilization of carbon sequestration and

embodied carbon results; to provide for an advisory committee; to provide for certified third-party organizations to measure the amount of carbon sequestered from building materials that sequester carbon dioxide; to require the State Forestry Commission to publish a list of certified organizations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harper of the 7th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
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On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 355, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that all remaining bills and resolutions on the Senate Rules Calendar be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and HB 32, HB 43, HB 94, HB 117, HB 128, HB 134, HB 152, HB 165, HB 174, HB 179, HB 194, HB 218, HB 231, HB 241, HB 246, HB 254, HB 255, HB 273, HB 282, HB 287, HB 290, HB 306, HB 317, HB 328, HB 334, HB 338, HB 369, HB 409, HB 411, HB 443, HB 449, HB 454, HB 458, HB 466, HB 470, HB 477, HB 479, HB 480, HB 495, HB 517, HB 532, HB 534, HB 548, HB 562, HB 575, HB 587, HB 591, HB 605, HB 617, HB 619, HB 653,

HB 676, HR 130, HR 142, HR 143, and SR 281 were placed on the Table.

At 12:03 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 12:30 p.m.

At 12:55 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, called the Senate to order.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 28. By Senators Hatchett of the 50th, Strickland of the 17th, Dixon of the 45th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 11 of Title 15 and Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code and domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children; to require annual training for juvenile court intake officers; to provide for the consideration of evidence, including hearsay evidence, in certain juvenile proceedings; to revise provisions relative to the Juvenile Code and the reporting of child abuse; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 28:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 11 of Title 15, Title 19, and Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code, domestic relations, and child abuse records, respectively, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children; to require annual training for juvenile court intake officers; to provide for the consideration of evidence, including hearsay evidence, in certain juvenile proceedings; to revise provisions relative to the Juvenile Code and the reporting of child abuse; to revise the definition of "sexual exploitation" in various statutes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Juvenile Code, is amended by revising paragraphs (41), (70), and (73.1) of Code Section 15-11-2, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(41) 'Juvenile court intake officer' means the juvenile court judge, associate juvenile court judge, court service worker, DJJ staff member serving as an intake officer in a delinquency or child in need of services proceeding, or person employed as a juvenile probation or intake officer designated by the juvenile court judge or, where there is none, the superior court judge, who is on duty for the purpose of determining whether any child taken into custody should be released or detained and, if detained, the appropriate place of detention."

"(70) 'Sexual exploitation' means conduct by a caregiver or other person responsible for the care of a child who allows, permits, encourages, or requires a child to engage in:

(A) ~~Prostitution, in violation of Code Section 16-6-9~~ Sexual servitude, as defined in Code Section 16-5-46; or

(B) Sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual or print medium depicting such conduct, in violation of Code Section 16-12-100."

"(73.1) 'Temporary alternatives to foster care' means measures that a juvenile court may order in lieu of removal of ~~or placement of~~ a child or children alleged to be dependent in protective custody which will prevent or reduce the trauma ~~or~~ of removal; allow a child to be cared for by persons with whom the child has an existing bond or attachment; or that ensure the safety of the child pending further action by the court on the dependency complaint or petition."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-68, relating to duties of juvenile court intake officers and training, as follows:

"(c) Each juvenile court intake officer exercising the authority to remove a child pursuant to the provisions of Articles 1 and 3 of this chapter shall:

(1) First ~~first~~ successfully complete~~, each year,~~ an initial eight hours of appropriate training; and

(2) Annually thereafter complete a minimum of two hours of training each year during which he or she serves as a juvenile court intake officer.

Such initial and annual training shall be relevant to the performance of such determinations, including, but not limited to, training concerning contrary to the welfare determinations, reasonable efforts to prevent removal of a child and diligent search requirements consistent with Article 3 of this chapter, reasonable alternatives to foster care, and DFCS policies and procedures related to the removal of a child and placement of such child in foster care."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-133.1, relating to temporary alternatives to foster care, as follows:

"15-11-133.1.

(a) Temporary alternatives to foster care may be ordered by the court ex parte, prior to a preliminary protective hearing, or may be ordered following a preliminary protective

hearing. An order for temporary alternatives ~~A temporary alternative~~ to foster care may include one or more of the following:

(1) A temporary order authorizing or continuing any voluntary agreement between the parent, guardian, or legal custodian and DFCS ~~the child to be cared for by a relative or fictive kin~~;

(2) Where an order for temporary alternatives to foster care is entered, a ~~A~~ temporary protective order ~~pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 15-11-29~~ imposing conditions or limitations on the conduct of the parent, guardian, or legal custodian, including requiring the individual to:

(A) Prohibit access to the child by an individual;

(B) Comply with any existing visitation agreement associated with the voluntary placement;

(C) Abstain from offensive conduct against a child or his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian;

(D) Give proper attention to the care of his or her home;

(E) Cooperate in good faith with DFCS;

(F) Refrain from acts of commission or omission that may render a home an improper place for a child; or

(G) Ensure that a child attends school pursuant to any valid law relating to compulsory attendance; ~~or~~

(3) An order that the DFCS investigate and report to the court whether removal is necessary; or

(4) An order that the DFCS provide services designed to allow the child to remain safely in the child's home.

(b) An order pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section ~~requiring~~ authorizing or continuing any voluntary agreement between the parent, guardian, or legal custodian and DFCS for the child to be cared for by a relative or fictive kin shall be based upon a finding by the court that continuation of the child in his or her home would be contrary to his or her welfare. Such findings shall be made on an individualized basis and shall be documented in the court's written order.

(c) When entering an order pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of this Code section authorizing or continuing any voluntary agreement between the parent, guardian, or legal custodian and DFCS for the child to be cared for by a relative or fictive kin, the court shall order a preliminary assessment of the person who is to provide care for the child by a probation officer, or such other individual or agency as the court may designate, which shall include, at a minimum:

(1) A walk-through of such person's residence to identify safety hazards;

(2) An in-state criminal record check, pursuant to subsection (a) or (c) of Code Section 35-3-34, of such person and all other adults living in such person's residence;

(3) A search of the Georgia Sex Offender Registry for the name of such person and all other adults living in such person's residence; and

(4) A search of data provided electronically to the public by the Department of Community Supervision and the Department of Corrections for information concerning

such person and all adults living in such person's residence.

Such preliminary assessment shall be completed no later than 72 hours after the time such order is entered except that if such order is entered on a weekend, such preliminary assessment may be completed no later than five days after the order is entered.

(d) Upon issuance of an order for a temporary alternative to foster care, a preliminary protective hearing shall be completed as provided in Code Section 15-11-145~~, except that such preliminary protective hearing shall be held within five days of the order for a temporary alternative to foster care~~.

(e) ~~Unless modified by the court, temporary~~ Temporary alternatives to foster care ordered by the court in accordance with this Code section shall remain in effect until modified by the court or until the court has held the preliminary protective hearing. If probable cause exists, DFCS shall file a petition alleging dependency in accordance with subsection (b) of Code Section 15-11-151 following the preliminary protective hearing. The court may continue to impose the temporary alternatives to foster care after the preliminary protective hearing in accordance with subsection (b) of Code Section 15-11-146."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-11-145, relating to preliminary protective hearings, to read as follows:

"(h) The court may consider any evidence, including hearsay evidence, that the court finds to be relevant, reliable, and necessary to determine the needs of an alleged dependent child or to make determinations or findings required by Code Section 15-11-146."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 15-11-146, relating to preliminary protective hearings and findings, as follows:

"(c) A court's order removing a child from his or her home or ordering a temporary alternative to foster care ~~in accordance with~~ authorizing or continuing any voluntary agreement between the parent, guardian, or legal custodian and DFCS for the child to be cared for by a relative or fictive kin pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-133.1 shall be based upon a finding that:

(1) Continuation in his or her home would be contrary to such child's welfare; or

(2) Removal is in such child's best interests."

**SECTION 6.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 15-11-181, relating to adjudication hearings, as follows:

"(a) The court shall fix a time for an adjudication hearing. If the alleged dependent child is in foster care, the hearing shall be scheduled for no later than ten days after the filing of the petition alleging dependency. If the alleged dependent child is not in foster care, ~~but the court has ordered a temporary alternative to foster care, the adjudication hearing~~

~~shall be held no later than 30 days after the filing of the petition alleging dependency. Otherwise,~~ the adjudication hearing shall be held no later than 60 days after the filing of the petition alleging dependency. If adjudication is not completed within 60 days from the date such child was taken into protective custody, the petition alleging dependency may be dismissed without prejudice."

**SECTION 7.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-215, relating to notice of change in placement hearings and presumptions, as follows:

"15-11-215.

(a) Not less than five days in advance of any placement change, DFCS shall, in writing, notify the court~~,~~; a child who is 14 years of age or older~~,~~; the child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian~~,~~; the person or agency with physical custody of the child~~,~~; the child's attorney~~,~~; the child's guardian ad litem, if any~~,~~; and any other attorney of record of such change in the location of the child's placement while the child is in DFCS custody. The notice required by this subsection may include notice via email if the caregiver or other party who will receive the notification has agreed to receive notice via email.

(b) If a child's health or welfare may be endangered by any delay in changing his or her placement, the court and all attorneys of record shall be notified of such placement change within 24 hours of such change.

(c) A child adjudicated as a dependent child who is 14 years of age or older, his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian~~,~~; the person or agency with physical custody of the child~~,~~; such child's attorney~~,~~; such child's guardian ad litem, if any~~,~~; and any attorney of record may request a hearing pertaining to such child's case plan or the permanency plan in order for the court to consider the change in the location of such child's placement and any changes to the case plan or permanency plan resulting from such child's change in placement location. The hearing shall be held within five days of receiving notice of a change in the location of such child's placement and prior to any such placement change, unless such child's health or welfare may be endangered by any delay in changing such child's placement.

(d) The Council of Juvenile Court Judges shall by rule provide for methods by which persons entitled to notice, including those not represented by counsel, may electronically file an objection to the placement change. Such rule shall provide for the use of a standard form that the objector may file electronically with the clerk of court and which upon filing shall be distributed electronically to all parties and others entitled to notice.

(e) At the hearing to consider the case plan and permanency plan of a child adjudicated as a dependent ~~child's case plan and permanency plan~~, the court shall consider the case plan and permanency plan recommendations made by DFCS, including a recommendation as to the location of the placement of such child, and shall make findings of fact upon which the court relied in determining to reject or accept the case plan or permanency plan and the recommendations made by DFCS, including the location of such child's placement. The court shall specifically consider any objections filed to the change of placement and shall consider evidence pertaining to such objections, including,

but not limited to, evidence from the child and the foster parent, relative, or caregiver.

(f) The court may consider any evidence, including hearsay evidence, that the court finds to be relevant, reliable, and necessary to determine the needs of a child adjudicated as a dependent child and the most appropriate case plan and permanency plan.

~~(f)~~(g) If the court rejects DFCS recommendations, the court shall demonstrate that DFCS recommendations were considered and explain why it did not follow such recommendations. If the court rejects the DFCS case plan and permanency plan recommendations, including the change in the location of the placement of a child adjudicated as a dependent child, the court may order DFCS to devise a new case plan and permanency plan recommendation, including a new recommendation as to the location of such child within the resources of the department, or make any other order relative to placement or custody outside the department as the court finds to be in the best interests of such child and consistent with the policy that children in DFCS custody should have stable placements.

~~(g)~~(h) If the court finds that the child has been living in a stable home environment with his or her current caregivers for the past 12 months and that removal of the child from such caregivers would be detrimental to the child's emotional well-being, the court may presume that continuation of the child's placement with his or her current caregivers is in the child's best interests and shall enter a finding that a change of placement is a failure by DFCS to make reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan which is in effect at the time of the hearing; provided, however, that such presumption shall not apply to prevent the return of the child to his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian.

~~(h)~~(i) Placement or a change of legal custody by the court outside DFCS shall relieve DFCS of further responsibility for a child adjudicated as a dependent child except for any provision of services ordered by the court to ensure the continuation of reunification services to such child's family when appropriate.

~~(i)~~(j) A placement change shall not include a temporary absence from the child's identified and ongoing foster care placement, including, but not limited to, visitation with a friend, sibling, relative, or other caretaker, including a preplacement visit to a possible foster or adoptive placement; hospitalization for medical, acute psychiatric episodes or diagnosis; respite care when the child is expected to return to his or her foster care placement; day or overnight camp; temporary travel with the foster family or child care institution personnel, church, school, or other persons or groups approved by DFCS; trial home visits with the court's permission, if required by subsection (b) of Code Section 15-11-212; and runaway episodes."

**SECTION 8.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-11-216, relating to periodic review hearing and required evidence, to read as follows:

"(f) The court may consider any evidence, including hearsay evidence, that the court finds to be relevant, reliable, and necessary to determine the needs of a child adjudicated as a dependent child and the most appropriate case plan and permanency plan."

**SECTION 9.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-11-230, relating to permanency plan hearing, to read as follows:

"(f) The court may consider any evidence, including hearsay evidence, that the court finds to be relevant, reliable, and necessary to determine the needs of a child adjudicated as a dependent child and the most appropriate permanency plan."

**SECTION 10.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 15-11-321, relating to custody of a child following termination proceedings or surrender of parental rights, to read as follows:

"(a.1) The court may consider any evidence, including hearsay evidence, that the court finds to be relevant, reliable, and necessary to determine the needs of a child and the permanency and custody of a child whose parents have had their parental rights terminated or who have surrendered their parental rights."

**SECTION 11.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 15-11-322, relating to continuing court review when child not adopted, as follows:

"15-11-322.

If a petition seeking the adoption of a child whose parents have had their parental rights terminated or surrendered is not filed within six months after the date of the disposition order, the court shall then, and at least every six months thereafter so long as such child remains unadopted, review the circumstances of such child to determine what efforts have been made to assure that such child will be adopted. The court shall:

(1) Make written findings regarding whether reasonable efforts have been made to move such child to permanency;

(2) Evaluate whether, in light of any change in circumstances, the permanency plan for such child remains appropriate; and

(3) Enter such orders as it deems necessary to further adoption or if appropriate, other permanency options, including, but not limited to, another placement.

The court may consider any evidence, including hearsay evidence, that the court finds to be relevant, reliable, and necessary to determine the needs of a child and the permanency and custody of a child whose parents have had their parental rights terminated or who have surrendered their parental rights."

**SECTION 12.**

Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, is amended in Code Section 19-7-5, relating to the reporting of child abuse, when mandated or authorized, content of report, to whom made, immunity from liability, report based upon privileged communication, and penalty for failure to report, by revising subsection (b) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Abandonment' means any conduct on the part of a parent, guardian, or legal custodian showing an intent to forgo parental duties or relinquish parental claims. Intent to forgo parental duties or relinquish parental claims may be evidenced by:

(A) Failure, for a period of at least six months, to communicate meaningfully with a child;

(B) Failure, for a period of at least six months, to maintain regular visitation with a child;

(C) Leaving a child with another person without provision for his or her support for a period of at least six months;

(D) Failure, for a period of at least six months, to participate in any court ordered plan or program designed to reunite a child with his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian;

(E) Leaving a child without affording means of identifying such child or his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian and:

(i) The identity of such child's parent, guardian, or legal custodian cannot be ascertained despite diligent searching; and

(ii) A parent, guardian, or legal custodian has not come forward to claim such child within three months following the finding of such child;

(F) Being absent from the home of his or her child for a period of time that creates a substantial risk of serious harm to a child left in the home;

(G) Failure to respond, for a period of at least six months, to notice of child protective proceedings; or

(H) Any other conduct indicating an intent to forgo parental duties or relinquish parental claims.

~~(1)~~(2) 'Abortion' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 15-11-681.

~~(2)~~(3) 'Abused' means subjected to child abuse.

~~(3)~~(4) 'Child' means any person under 18 years of age.

~~(4)~~(5) 'Child abuse' means:

(A) Physical injury or death inflicted upon a child by a parent, guardian, legal custodian, or other person responsible for the care of such child ~~or caretaker thereof~~ by other than accidental means; provided, however, that physical forms of discipline may be used as long as there is no physical injury to the child;

(B) Neglect ~~or exploitation~~ of a child by a parent, guardian, legal custodian, or other person responsible for the care of such child ~~or caretaker thereof~~;

(C) ~~Endangering a child~~ Emotional abuse of a child;

(D) Sexual abuse or sexual exploitation of a child; ~~or~~

(E) ~~Sexual exploitation of a child~~ Prenatal abuse of a child by a parent;

(F) An act or failure to act that presents an imminent risk of serious harm to the child's physical, mental, or emotional health; or

(G) Trafficking a child for labor servitude.

~~However, no child who in good faith is being treated solely by spiritual means through prayer in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination by a duly accredited practitioner thereof shall, for that reason alone, be~~

~~considered to be an abused child.~~

~~(5)~~(6) 'Child service organization personnel' means persons employed by or volunteering at a business or an organization, whether public, private, for profit, not for profit, or voluntary, that provides care, treatment, education, training, supervision, coaching, counseling, recreational programs, or shelter to children.

~~(6)~~(7) 'Clergy' means ministers, priests, rabbis, imams, or similar functionaries, by whatever name called, of a bona fide religious organization.

~~(6.1) 'Endangering a child' means:~~

~~(A) Any act described by subsection (d) of Code Section 16-5-70;~~

~~(B) Any act described by Code Section 16-5-73;~~

~~(C) Any act described by subsection (l) of Code Section 40-6-391; or~~

~~(D) Prenatal abuse, as such term is defined in Code Section 15-11-2.~~

(8) 'Emotional abuse' means acts or omissions by a parent, guardian, legal custodian, or other person responsible for the care of a child that cause any mental injury to such child's intellectual or psychological capacity as evidenced by an observable and significant impairment in such child's ability to function within a child's normal range of performance and behavior or that create a substantial risk of impairment.

(9) 'Labor servitude' means work or service of economic or financial value which is performed or provided by another individual and is induced or obtained by coercion or deception.

(10) 'Legal custodian' means:

(A) A person to whom legal custody of a child has been given by order of a court; or

(B) A public or private agency or other private organization licensed or otherwise authorized by law to receive and provide care for a child to which legal custody of such child has been given by order of a court.

(11) 'Neglect' means:

(A) The failure to provide proper parental care or control, subsistence, education as required by law, or other care or control necessary for a child's physical, mental, or emotional health or morals;

(B) The failure to provide a child with adequate supervision necessary for such child's well-being; or

(C) The abandonment of a child by his or her parent, guardian, or legal custodian.

(12) 'Person responsible for the care of a child' means:

(A) An adult member of a child's household;

(B) A person exercising supervision over a child for any part of the 24 hour day; or

(C) Any adult who, based on his or her relationship to the parent, guardian, or legal custodian or a member of a child's household, has access to such child.

~~(7)~~(13) 'Pregnancy resource center' means an organization or facility that:

(A) Provides pregnancy counseling or information as its primary purpose, either for a fee or as a free service;

(B) Does not provide or refer for abortions;

(C) Does not provide or refer for FDA approved contraceptive drugs or devices; and

(D) Is not licensed or certified by the state or federal government to provide medical

or health care services and is not otherwise bound to follow the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, or other state or federal laws relating to patient confidentiality.

(14) 'Prenatal abuse' means exposure to chronic or severe use of alcohol or the unlawful use of any controlled substance, as such term is defined in Code Section 16-13-21, which results in:

(A) Symptoms of withdrawal in a newborn or the presence of a controlled substance or a metabolite thereof in a newborn's body, blood, urine, or meconium that is not the result of medical treatment; or

(B) Medically diagnosed and harmful effects in a newborn's physical appearance or functioning.

~~(8)~~(15) 'Reproductive health care facility' means any office, clinic, or any other physical location that provides abortions, abortion counseling, abortion referrals, or gynecological care and services.

~~(9)~~(16) 'School' means any public or private pre-kindergarten, elementary school, secondary school, technical school, vocational school, college, university, or institution of postsecondary education.

~~(10)~~(17) 'Sexual abuse' means a person's employing, using, persuading, inducing, enticing, or coercing any minor who is not such person's spouse to engage in any act which involves:

(A) Sexual intercourse, including genital-genital, oral-genital, anal-genital, or oral-anal, whether between persons of the same or opposite sex;

(B) Bestiality;

(C) Masturbation;

(D) Lewd exhibition of the genitals or pubic area of any person;

(E) Flagellation or torture by or upon a person who is nude;

(F) Condition of being fettered, bound, or otherwise physically restrained on the part of a person who is nude;

(G) Physical contact in an act of apparent sexual stimulation or gratification with any person's clothed or unclothed genitals, pubic area, or buttocks or with a female's clothed or unclothed breasts;

(H) Defecation or urination for the purpose of sexual stimulation;

(I) Penetration of the vagina or rectum by any object except when done as part of a recognized medical procedure; or

(J) Any act described by subsection (c) of Code Section 16-5-46.

Sexual abuse shall include consensual sex acts when the sex acts are between minors if any individual is less than 14 years of age; provided, however, that it shall not include consensual sex acts when the sex acts are between a minor and an adult who is not more than four years older than the minor. This provision shall not be deemed or construed to repeal any law concerning the age or capacity to consent.

~~(11)~~(18) 'Sexual exploitation' means conduct by any person who allows, permits, encourages, or requires a child to engage in:

(A) ~~Prostitution, as defined in Code Section 16-6-9~~ Sexual servitude, as defined in

Code Section 16-5-46; or

(B) Sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual or print medium depicting such conduct, as defined in Code Section 16-12-100."

"(j) The treatment of a child in good faith solely by spiritual means through prayer in accordance with the tenets and practices of a recognized church or religious denomination by a duly accredited practitioner thereof shall not in and of itself be considered child abuse."

**SECTION 13.**

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (12) of Code Section 19-15-1, relating to definitions, as follows:

"(12) 'Sexual exploitation' means conduct by any person who allows, permits, encourages, or requires a child to engage in:

(A) ~~Prostitution, as defined in Code Section 16-6-9~~ Sexual servitude, as defined in Code Section 16-5-46; or

(B) Sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual or print medium depicting such conduct, as defined in Code Section 16-12-100."

**SECTION 14.**

Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to child abuse records, is amended by revising paragraph (11) of subsection (a) of Code Section 49-5-40, relating to definitions, confidentiality of records, and restricted access to records, as follows:

"(11) 'Sexual exploitation' means conduct by any individual who allows, permits, encourages, or requires any child to engage in:

(A) Trafficking of persons for labor or sexual servitude, in violation of Code Section 16-5-46;

(B) ~~Prostitution, in violation of Code Section 16-6-9~~ Sexual servitude, as defined in Code Section 16-5-46;

(C) Obscene depiction of a minor, in violation of Code Section 16-11-40.1;

(D) Nude or sexually explicit electronic transmission, in violation of Code Section 16-11-90; or

(E) Sexually explicit conduct for the purpose of producing any visual or print medium depicting such conduct, in violation of Code Section 16-12-100."

**SECTION 15.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 16.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 28.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 46, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 28.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 47. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts; to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 47:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, so as to revise the prior school year requirement; to expand eligibility for students; to revise the basis for calculating scholarship amounts; to require annual parent surveys; to provide for a review procedure for scholarship calculations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Special Needs Scholarship Act, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2113, relating to annual notification of options available to parents of special needs students, as follows:

"20-2-2113.

(a) The resident school system shall provide specific written notice of the options available under this article to the parent at the initial Individualized Education Program (IEP) meeting in which a disability of the parent's child is identified or at the time the child is determined to be eligible for accommodations or services under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Thereafter, the resident school system shall annually notify prior to the beginning of each school year the parent of a student with a disability by letter, electronic means, or by such other reasonable means in a timely manner of the options available to the parent under this article.

(b)(1) The parent may choose for the student to attend another public school within the resident school system which has available space and which has a program with the services agreed to in the student's existing ~~individualized education program~~ Individualized Education Program or Section 504 Plan. If the parent chooses this option, then the parent shall be responsible for transportation to such school. The student may attend such public school pursuant to this paragraph until the student completes all grades of the school, graduates, or reaches the age of 21, whichever occurs first, in accordance with federal and state requirements for disabled students;

(2) The parent may choose to enroll the student in and transport the student to a public school outside of the student's resident school system which has available space and which has a program with the services agreed to in the student's existing ~~individualized education program~~ Individualized Education Program or Section 504 Plan. The nonresident public school system may accept the student, and if it does, such system shall report the student for purposes of funding to the department;

(3) The parent may choose for the student to attend one of the state schools for the deaf and blind operated by the State Board of Education, if appropriate for the student's needs. Funding for such students shall be provided in accordance with Code Section

20-2-302; or

(4) The parent may request and receive from the department a scholarship for the student to enroll in and attend a participating private school in accordance with this article."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (f) of Code Section 20-2-2114, relating to qualifications for scholarship, financial responsibility, state-wide assessments, exception, and compliance, as follows:

"(a) A student shall qualify for a scholarship under this article if:

(1) The student's parent currently resides within Georgia and has been a Georgia resident for at least one year; provided, however, that the one-year requirement shall not apply if the student's parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year;

~~(2) The student has one or more of the following disabilities:~~

~~(A) Autism;~~

~~(B) Deaf/blind;~~

~~(C) Deaf/hard of hearing;~~

~~(D) Emotional and behavioral disorder;~~

~~(E) Intellectual disability;~~

~~(F) Orthopedic impairment;~~

~~(G) Other health impairment;~~

~~(H) Specific learning disability;~~

~~(I) Speech-language impairment;~~

~~(J) Traumatic brain injury; or~~

~~(K) Visual impairment;~~

~~(3) The student:~~

~~(A) Has spent the prior school year in attendance at a Georgia public school; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply if the student's parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year; and~~

(2) The student has spent the prior school year in attendance at a Georgia public school or received preschool special education or related services pursuant to Section 619 of Part B of the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; provided, however, that this requirement shall not apply if:

(A) The student's parent is an active duty military service member stationed in Georgia within the previous year;

(B) The student has been adopted or placed in a permanent guardianship from foster care pursuant to an order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction within the previous year;

(C) The student previously qualified for a scholarship pursuant to this article; or

(D) The scholarship application is made for the 2021-2022 school year on behalf of a student who was enrolled in a Georgia public school at the time of at least one count

provided for in Code Section 20-2-160 during either the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 school years;

~~(B)~~(3)(A) The student has ~~Has~~ an Individualized Education Program (IEP) written in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations; provided, however, that the State Board of Education shall be authorized to require a local board of education to expedite the development of an Individualized Education Program and to waive the prior school year requirement contained in ~~subparagraph (A) of this~~ paragraph (2) of this subsection, in its sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis for specific medical or behavioral needs of the student upon the request of a parent or guardian in accordance with state board procedures. If an expedited Individualized Education Program is required by the state board pursuant to this subparagraph, the state board may additionally require such expedited process to be completed prior to the beginning of the school year. The State Board of Education shall provide an annual report by December 31 of each year ~~through December 31, 2015,~~ regarding the number of waivers approved pursuant to this paragraph to the General Assembly; or

(B)(i) The student has a Section 504 Plan relating to one or more conditions that are included among the conditions which shall be identified by the State Board of Education for the purposes of this Code section and which shall, at a minimum, include the following:

(I) Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD);
(II) Autism spectrum disorder;
(III) Bipolar disorder;
(IV) Cancer;
(V) Cerebral palsy;
(VI) Cystic fibrosis;
(VII) Deafness;
(VIII) Down syndrome;
(IX) Drug or alcohol abuse;
(X) Dual sensory impairment;
(XI) Dyslexia;
(XII) Emotional or behavioral disorder;
(XIII) Epilepsy;
(XIV) Hearing impairment;
(XV) Intellectual disability;
(XVI) Muscular dystrophy;
(XVII) Specific learning disability;
(XVIII) Spina bifida;
(XIX) Traumatic brain injury;
(XX) Visual impairment; or
(XXI) Any rare disease identified by the National Institutes of Health's Genetic and Rare Diseases Information Center's list of rare disease disorders.

(ii) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules to provide for the verification that a student who qualifies for this scholarship through a Section 504 Plan has met

the eligibility requirements.

(4) The parent obtains acceptance for admission of the student to a participating school; and

(5) The parent submits an application for a scholarship to the department no later than the deadline established by the department; provided, however, that the department shall ~~provide~~ establish periodic application ~~deadline opportunities~~ deadlines during the school year, which shall occur no less frequently than on September 15, December 15, and February 15 of each school year, for a student to transfer."

"(f) With respect to local school systems, the acceptance ~~Acceptance~~ of a scholarship shall have the same effect as a parental refusal to consent to services pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and a parental waiver of rights to educational accommodations under Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq."

**SECTION 3.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 20-2-2116, relating to amount of scholarship and method of payments, as follows:

"(a) The maximum scholarship granted a scholarship student pursuant to this article shall be an amount equivalent to the costs of the educational program that would have been provided for the student in the resident school system as calculated under Code Section 20-2-161 and, if a scholarship student has an Individualized Education Program (IEP), based upon services specified in the Individualized Education Program in place at the time of the most recent enrollment count, as described in Code Section 20-2-160. This shall not include any federal funds.

(b) The amount of the scholarship shall be the lesser of the amount calculated in subsection (a) of this Code section or the amount of the participating school's tuition and fees, if applicable~~.~~, including, but not limited to, fees for:

(1) Student assessment;

(2) Uniforms;

(3) Physical therapy, speech therapy, or occupational therapy;

(4) Transportation provided by the participating school;

(5) Meals;

(6) Summer school programs;

(7) Tutoring; and

(8) Other materials, services, or activities as authorized by the department. ~~The amount of any assessment fee required by the participating school may be paid from the total amount of the scholarship.~~"

**SECTION 4.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-2117, relating to adoption and promulgation of rules, immunity from liability for scholarship decisions, and schools barred from program participation for certain actions, as follows:

"20-2-2117.

(a) The board shall adopt rules to administer the program regarding eligibility and participation of participating schools, including, but not limited to, timelines that will maximize student and public and private school participation, the calculation and distribution of scholarships to eligible students and participating schools, and the application and approval procedures for eligible students and participating schools. The department shall develop and utilize a compliance form for completion by participating schools. The department shall be authorized to require any pertinent information as it deems necessary from participating schools for the purpose of implementing the program. Participating schools shall be required to complete such forms and certify their accuracy.

(b) The board shall adopt rules to administer the program regarding student eligibility, transparency, and awareness of the impact of the program, including, but not limited to, the following:

(1) The department shall conduct an annual survey of participating parents' satisfaction with the program, their satisfaction with the private school, and their likelihood of recommending the program. Survey results shall be collected using only numerical measures and made publicly available in the annual report provided for in Code Section 20-2-2118; and

(2) The department shall post on its publicly accessible website the basic unit cost for general instructional programs as a minimum estimate for scholarship amounts. The department shall provide parents of scholarship students the actual scholarship amounts upon appropriation of state funds to the department for disbursement. Within 30 calendar days of receipt of the actual scholarship amount, a parent of a scholarship student who believes that such student's program weights have been incorrectly reported by the local school system may make a request in writing to the department for a review of the accuracy of the local school system's reported program weights. The department shall provide a written response within 30 days of receipt of the parent's written request.

(c) No liability shall arise on the part of the department or the state or of any local board of education based on the award or use of a scholarship awarded pursuant to this article.

~~(c)~~(d) The department may bar a school from participation in the program if the department determines that the school has intentionally and substantially misrepresented information or failed to refund to the state any scholarship overpayments in a timely manner."

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 47.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 30, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 47.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/21

I inadvertently voted yes on agreeing to the House substitute to SB 47. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Lucas of the 26th

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on agreeing to the House substitute to SB 47. Had I been present, I would have voted no.

/s/ Butler of the 55th

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 43. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Albers of the 56th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, so as to provide that certain actions by health care insurers offering eye care benefit plans constitute unfair trade practices; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 43:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, so as to provide that certain actions by health care insurers offering eye care benefit plans constitute unfair trade practices; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Noncovered Eye Care Services Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 33-6-4 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the enumeration of unfair methods of competition and unfair or deceptive acts or practices and penalty, is amended by deleting "or" at the end of paragraph (14.2) and by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(14.3)(A) As used in this paragraph:

(i) 'Covered eye care services' means those health care services and materials related to the care of the eye and related structures and vision care services for which a health care insurer is obligated to pay for or provide to covered persons under an eye care benefit plan, which includes services for which reimbursement is available under such plan, or for which reimbursement would be available but for the application of contractual limitations such as deductibles, copayments, coinsurance, waiting periods, annual or lifetime maximums, frequency limitations, alternative

benefit payments, or any other limitation.

(ii) 'Covered person' means any subscriber, enrollee, member, beneficiary, or participant, or his or her dependent, for whom benefits are payable when such person receives eye care services rendered or authorized by an ophthalmologist licensed under Chapter 34 of Title 43 or an optometrist licensed under Chapter 30 of Title 43.

(iii) 'Eye care benefit plan' means any individual or group plan, policy contract, or subscription agreement which includes or is for eye care services that is issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state whether by a health care insurer, health maintenance organization, preferred provider organization, accident and sickness insurer, fraternal benefit society, nonprofit hospital service corporation, nonprofit medical or eye care service corporation, health care plan, or any other person, firm, corporation, joint venture, or other similar business entity that pays for, purchases, or furnishes eye care services to patients, insureds, beneficiaries, or covered dependents in this state.

(iv) 'Health care insurer' or 'insurer' means an entity, including but not limited to insurance companies, health care corporations, health maintenance organizations, and preferred provider organizations, authorized by the state to offer or provide health benefit plans, eye care benefit plans, programs, policies, subscriber contracts, or any other agreements of a similar nature which compensate or indemnify health care providers for furnishing covered eye care or other health care services.

(B) No insurer shall require an ophthalmologist or optometrist to accept as payment an amount set by such insurer for services that are not covered eye care services under the covered person's eye care benefit plan as a condition to join or participate in its provider network.

(C) No insurer shall draft, publish, disseminate, or circulate any explanations of benefit forms that include language that directly or indirectly states or implies that an ophthalmologist or optometrist should extend discounts to patients for noncovered eye care services.

(D) No insurer shall require an ophthalmologist or optometrist within its provider network to extend any discounts on services that are not covered eye care services; or"

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective July 1, 2021, and shall apply to all policies or contracts issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after such date.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Brass of the 28th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 43.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 49, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 43.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on agreeing to the House substitute to SB 43. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Butler of the 55th

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 80. By Senators Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Walker III of the 20th, Harbison of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide for standards for utilization review; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 80:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to provide additional standards for utilization review; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for applicability; to provide for definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**
This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Ensuring Transparency in Prior Authorization Act."

**SECTION 2.**
Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, is amended by revising Chapter 46, relating to certification of private review agents, as follows:

"ARTICLE 1

33-46-1.
This chapter shall be construed liberally to promote consumer protection.

33-46-2.
(a) This chapter applies to:
(1) Private review agents;
(2) Utilization review entities;
(3) All health insurers and stand-alone dental plans that provide accident and sickness insurance products whether on an individual, group, or blanket basis as provided in this title;
(4) All administrators of such products licensed in accordance with Article 2 of Chapter 23 of this title;
(5) All pharmacy benefits managers;
(6) All contracts entered into or renewed by the Department of Community Health with a contracted entity to provide healthcare coverage or services pursuant to the state health benefit plan; and
(7) All contracts entered into or renewed by the Department of Community Health and

care management organizations to provide or arrange for healthcare coverage or services on a prepaid, capitated basis to members.

~~33-46-1.~~ 33-46-3.

(a) The purpose of this chapter is to promote the delivery of quality ~~health care~~ healthcare in Georgia. Furthermore, it is to foster the delivery of such care in a cost-effective manner through greater coordination between ~~health care~~ healthcare providers, ~~claims administrators, payors,~~ claim administrators, insurers, employers, patients, ~~and~~ private review agents, and utilization review entities; to improve communication and knowledge of ~~health care~~ healthcare benefits among all parties; to protect patients, ~~claims~~ claim administrators, ~~payors,~~ insurers, private review agents, employers, and ~~health care~~ healthcare providers by ensuring that utilization review activities are based upon accepted standards of treatment and patient care; to ensure that such treatment is accessible and done in a timely and effective manner; and to ensure that private review agents and utilization review entities maintain confidentiality of information obtained in the course of utilization review.

(b) In order to carry out the intent and purposes of this chapter, it is declared to be the policy of this chapter to protect Georgia residents by imposing minimum standards on private review agents and utilization review entities who engage in utilization review with respect to ~~health care~~ healthcare services provided in Georgia, such standards to include regulations concerning certification of private review agents and utilization review entities, disclosure of utilization review standards and appeal procedures, minimum qualifications for utilization review personnel, minimum standards governing accessibility of utilization review, and such other standards, requirements, and rules or regulations promulgated by the Commissioner which are not inconsistent with the foregoing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is neither the policy nor the intent of the General Assembly to regulate the terms of self-insured employee welfare benefit plans as defined in Section 31(I) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and therefore any regulations promulgated pursuant to this chapter shall relate only to persons subject to this chapter.

~~33-46-2.~~ 33-46-4.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Adverse determination' means a determination based on medical necessity made by a private review agent or utilization review entity not to grant authorization to a hospital, surgical, or other facility or to a healthcare provider's office for admission, extension of an inpatient stay, or a healthcare service or procedure.

(2) 'Authorization' means a determination by a private review agent or utilization review entity that a healthcare service has been reviewed and, based on the information provided, satisfies the utilization review entity's requirements for medical necessity.

(3) 'Care management organization' means an entity that is organized for the purpose of providing or arranging healthcare, which has been granted a certificate of authority by the Commissioner of Insurance as a health maintenance organization pursuant to

Chapter 21 of this title and which has entered into a contract with the Department of Community Health to provide or arrange for healthcare services on a prepaid, capitated basis to members.

~~(1)~~(4) 'Certificate' means a certificate of registration granted by the Commissioner to a private review agent.

~~(2)~~(5) 'Claim administrator' means any entity that reviews and determines whether to pay claims to ~~enrollees of health care providers~~ covered persons on behalf of the ~~health benefit~~ healthcare plan. Such payment determinations are made on the basis of contract provisions including medical necessity and other factors. Claim administrators may be ~~payors~~ insurers or their designated review organization, self-insured employers, management firms, third-party administrators, or other private contractors.

(6) 'Clinical criteria' means the written policies, decisions, rules, medical protocols, or guidelines used by a private review agent or utilization review entity to determine medical necessity.

~~(3) 'Commissioner' means the Commissioner of Insurance.~~

(7) 'Clinical peer' means a healthcare provider who is licensed without restriction or otherwise legally authorized and currently in active practice in the same or similar specialty as that of the treating provider, and who typically manages the medical condition or disease at issue and has knowledge of and experience providing the healthcare service or treatment under review.

(8) 'Covered person' means an individual, including, but not limited to, any subscriber, enrollee, member, beneficiary, participant, or his or her dependent, eligible to receive healthcare benefits by a health insurer pursuant to a healthcare plan or other health insurance coverage.

(9) 'Emergency healthcare services' means healthcare services rendered after the recent onset of a medical or traumatic condition, sickness, or injury exhibiting acute symptoms of sufficient severity, including, but not limited to, severe pain, that would lead a prudent layperson possessing an average knowledge of medicine and health to believe that his or her condition, sickness, or injury is of such a nature that failure to obtain immediate medical care could result in:

(A) Placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy;

(B) Serious impairment to bodily functions; or

(C) Serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.

~~(4) 'Enrollee' means the individual who has elected to contract for or participate in a health benefit plan for himself or himself and his eligible dependents.~~

(10) 'Facility' means a hospital, ambulatory surgical center, birthing center, diagnostic and treatment center, hospice, or similar institution. Such term shall not mean a healthcare provider's office.

~~(5) 'Health benefit plan' means a plan of benefits that defines the coverage provisions for health care for enrollees offered or provided by any organization, public or private.~~

~~(6) 'Health care advisor' means a health care provider licensed in a state representing the claim administrator or private review agent who provides advice on issues of medical necessity or other patient care issues.~~

(11) 'Health insurer' or 'insurer' means an accident and sickness insurer, care management organization, healthcare corporation, health maintenance organization, provider sponsored healthcare corporation, or any similar entity regulated by the Commissioner.

(12) 'Healthcare plan' means any hospital or medical insurance policy or certificate, qualified higher deductible health plan, stand-alone dental plan, health maintenance organization or other managed care subscriber contract, the state health benefit plan, or any plan entered into by a care management organization as permitted by the Department of Community Health for the delivery of healthcare services.

~~(7)~~(13) '~~Health care~~ Healthcare provider' means any person, corporation, facility, or institution licensed by this state or any other state to provide or otherwise lawfully providing ~~health care~~ healthcare services, including but not limited to a doctor of medicine, doctor of osteopathy, hospital or other ~~health care~~ healthcare facility, dentist, nurse, optometrist, podiatrist, physical therapist, psychologist, occupational therapist, professional counselor, pharmacist, chiropractor, marriage and family therapist, or social worker.

(14) 'Healthcare service' means healthcare procedures, treatments, or services provided by a facility licensed in this state or provided within the scope of practice of a doctor of medicine, a doctor of osteopathy, or another healthcare provider licensed in this state. Such term includes but is not limited to the provision of pharmaceutical products or services or durable medical equipment.

(15) 'Medical necessity' or 'medically necessary' means healthcare services that a prudent physician or other healthcare provider would provide to a patient for the purpose of preventing, diagnosing, or treating an illness, injury, or disease or its symptoms in a manner that is:

(A) In accordance with generally accepted standards of medical or other healthcare practice;

(B) Clinically appropriate in terms of type, frequency, extent, site, and duration;

(C) Not primarily for the economic benefit of the health insurer or for the convenience of the patient, treating physician, or other healthcare provider; and

(D) Not primarily custodial care, unless custodial care is a covered service or benefit under the covered person's healthcare plan.

(16) 'Member' means a Medicaid or PeachCare for Kids recipient who is currently enrolled in a care management organization plan.

~~(8) 'Payor' means any insurer, as defined in this title, or any preferred provider organization, health maintenance organization, self-insurance plan, or other person or entity which provides, offers to provide, or administers hospital, outpatient, medical, or other health care benefits to persons treated by a health care provider in this state pursuant to any policy, plan, or contract of accident and sickness insurance as defined in Code Section 33-7-2.~~

(17) 'Pharmacy benefits manager' means a person, business entity, or other entity that performs pharmacy benefits management. Such term includes a person or entity acting for a pharmacy benefits manager in a contractual or employment relationship in the

performance of pharmacy benefits management for a healthcare plan. Such term shall not include services provided by pharmacies operating under a hospital pharmacy license. Such term shall not include health systems while providing pharmacy services for their patients, employees, or beneficiaries, for indigent care, or for the provision of drugs for outpatient procedures. Such term shall not include services provided by pharmacies affiliated with a facility licensed under Code Section 31-44-4 or a licensed group model health maintenance organization with an exclusive medical group contract and which operates its own pharmacies which are licensed under Code Section 26-4-110.

(18) 'Prior authorization' means any written or oral determination made at any time by a claim administrator or an insurer, or any agent thereof, that a covered person's receipt of healthcare services is a covered benefit under the applicable plan and that any requirement of medical necessity or other requirements imposed by such plan as prerequisites for payment for such services have been satisfied. The term 'agent' as used in this paragraph shall not include an agent or agency as defined in Code Section 33-23-1.

~~(9)~~(19) 'Private review agent' means any person or entity which performs utilization review for:

(A) An employer with employees who are treated by a ~~health care~~ healthcare provider in this state;

(B) ~~A payor~~ An insurer; or

(C) A claim administrator.

~~(10) 'Reasonable target review period' means the assignment of a proposed number of days for review for the proposed health care services based upon reasonable length of stay standards such as the Professional Activities Study of the Commission on the Professional and Hospital Activities or other Georgia state-specific length of stay data.~~

(20) 'State health benefit plan' means the health insurance plan or plans established pursuant to Part 6 of Article 17 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 and Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 45 for state and public employees, dependents, and retirees.

(21) 'Urgent healthcare service' means a healthcare service with respect to which the application of the time periods for making a nonexpedited prior authorization, which, in the opinion of a physician or other healthcare provider with knowledge of the covered person's medical condition:

(A) Could seriously jeopardize the life or health of the covered person or the ability of such person to regain maximum function; or

(B) Could subject the covered person to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of the utilization review.

Such term shall include services provided for the treatment of substance use disorders which otherwise qualify as an urgent healthcare service.

~~(11)~~(22) 'Utilization review' means a system for reviewing the appropriate and efficient allocation or charges of hospital, outpatient, medical, or other ~~health care~~ healthcare services given or proposed to be given to a patient or group of patients for the purpose of advising the claim administrator who determines whether such services or the

charges therefor should be covered, provided, or reimbursed by ~~a payor~~ an insurer according to the benefits plan. Prior authorization is a type of utilization review. Utilization review shall not include the review or adjustment of claims or the payment of benefits arising under liability, workers' compensation, or malpractice insurance policies as defined in Code Section 33-7-3.

(23) 'Utilization review entity' means an insurer or other entity that performs prior authorization for one or more of the following entities:

(A) An insurer that writes health insurance policies;

(B) A preferred provider organization or health maintenance organization; or

(C) Any other individual or entity that provides, offers to provide, or administers hospital, outpatient, medical, behavioral health, prescription drug, or other health benefits to a person treated by a healthcare provider in this state under a health insurance policy, plan, or contract.

~~(12)~~(24) 'Utilization review plan' means a reasonable description of the standards, criteria, policies, procedures, reasonable target review periods, and reconsideration and appeal mechanisms governing utilization review activities performed by a private review agent or utilization review entity.

~~33-46-3.~~ 33-46-5.

(a) A private review agent or utilization review entity may not conduct utilization review of ~~health care~~ healthcare provided in this state unless the Commissioner has granted the private review agent or utilization review entity a certificate pursuant to this chapter. No individual conducting utilization review shall require certification if such utilization review is performed within the scope of such person's employment with an entity already certified pursuant to this Code section.

(b) The Commissioner shall issue a certificate to an applicant that has met all the requirements of this chapter and all applicable regulations of the Commissioner.

(c) A certificate issued under this chapter is not transferable without the prior approval of the Commissioner.

~~33-46-4.~~ 33-46-6.

(a) As a condition of certification or renewal thereof, a private review agent or utilization review entity shall be required to maintain compliance with the following:

(1) Where not otherwise addressed in this chapter or department regulations, ~~The~~ the medical protocols including reconsideration and appeal processes as well as other relevant medical issues used in the private review or utilization review program shall be established with input from ~~health care~~ healthcare providers who are from a major area of specialty and certified by the boards of the American medical specialties selected by a private review agency or utilization review entity and documentation of such protocols shall be made available upon request of ~~health care~~ healthcare providers; or, where not so addressed, protocols, including reconsideration and appeal processes as well as other relevant ~~health care~~ healthcare issues used in ~~the private review~~ such program, shall be established based on input from persons who are licensed in the

appropriate ~~health care~~ healthcare provider's specialty recognized by a licensure agency of such a ~~health care~~ healthcare provider;

(2) All preadmission review programs shall provide for immediate hospitalization of any patient for whom the treating ~~health care~~ healthcare provider determines the admission to be of an emergency nature, so long as medical necessity is subsequently documented;

(3) In the absence of any contractual agreement between the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider and the ~~payor~~ insurer, the responsibility for obtaining ~~precertification~~ prior authorization as well as concurrent review required by the ~~payor~~ insurer shall be the responsibility of the ~~enrollee~~ covered person pursuant to Chapter 20E of this title;

(4) In cases where a private review agent or utilization review entity is responsible for utilization review for ~~a payor~~ an insurer or claim administrator, ~~the utilization review~~ such agent or entity should respond promptly and efficiently in accordance with this chapter to all requests including concurrent review in a timely method, and a method for an expedited authorization process shall be available in the interest of efficient patient care;

(5) In any instances where the private review agent or utilization review ~~agent~~ entity is questioning the medical necessity ~~or appropriateness~~ of care, the ~~attending~~ treating health care provider, or such provider's appropriately qualified designee, shall be able to discuss the plan of treatment with ~~an identified health care provider~~ a clinical peer trained in a related specialty and no adverse determination shall be made by the private review agent or utilization review ~~agent~~ entity until an effort has been made to discuss the patient's care with the patient's ~~attending~~ treating provider, or such provider's appropriately qualified designee who shall be familiar with the patient's case, during normal working hours. In the event of an adverse determination, notice to the provider ~~and patient~~ will specify the reasons for the review determination;

~~(6) To the extent that utilization review programs are administered according to recognized standards and procedures, efficiently with minimal disruption to the provision of medical care, additional payment to providers should not be necessary;~~

~~(7)~~(6) A private review agent or utilization review entity shall assign a reasonable target review period in accordance with this chapter for each admission promptly upon notification by the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider. Once a target length of stay has been agreed upon with the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider, the utilization review agent or utilization review entity will not attempt to contact the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider or patient for further information until the end of that target review period except for discharge planning purposes or in response to a contact by a patient or ~~health care~~ healthcare provider. The provider or the ~~health care~~ healthcare facility will be responsible for alerting the utilization review agent or utilization review entity in the event of a change in proposed treatment. At the end of the target period, the private review agent or utilization review entity will review the care for a continued stay;

~~(8)~~(7) A private review agent or utilization review entity shall not enter into any incentive payment provision contained in a contract or agreement with ~~a payor~~ an insurer which is based on reduction of services or the charges thereof, reduction of

length of stay, or utilization of alternative treatment settings; ~~and~~

~~(9)~~(8) Any ~~health care~~ healthcare provider may designate one or more individuals to be contacted by the private review agent or utilization review entity for information or data. In the event of any such designation, the private review agent or utilization review entity shall not contact other employees or personnel of the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider except with prior consent to the ~~health care~~ healthcare provider. An alternate will be available during normal business hours if the designated individual is absent or unavailable~~.~~; and

(9) Private review agents and utilization review entities shall develop applicable utilization review plans and conduct utilization review in accordance with standards as set forth under this chapter and rules and regulations adopted by the Commissioner.

(b) The Commissioner may consider nationally recognized accreditation standards for utilization review and may adopt by rule or regulation any such standards for the purposes of enforcing this chapter, to the extent such standards do not conflict with this chapter.

(c) The Commissioner may maintain on the department website a list of nationally recognized accreditation entities.

~~33-46-5.~~ 33-46-7.

(a) An applicant for a certificate shall submit an application on a form prescribed by the Commissioner and pay an application fee and a certificate fee as provided in Code Section 33-8-1. The application shall be signed and verified by the applicant.

(b) In conjunction with the application, the private review agent or utilization review entity shall submit such information that the Commissioner requires, including but not limited to:

(1) A utilization review plan;

(2) The type and qualifications of the personnel either employed or under contract to perform the utilization review; ~~and~~

(3) A copy of the materials designed to inform applicable patients and ~~health care~~ healthcare providers of the requirements of the utilization review plan; and

(4) A signed attestation by the chief medical officer or chief executive officer of the applicant that such entity's utilization review activities comply with the standards required by this chapter.

The information provided must demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the ~~private review agent~~ applicant will comply with the requirements of this chapter.

~~33-46-6.~~ 33-46-8.

(a) A certificate shall expire on the second anniversary of its effective date unless the certificate is renewed for a two-year term as provided in this Code section.

(b) Before the certificate expires but no sooner than 90 days prior to such expiration, a certificate may be renewed for an additional two-year term if the applicant:

(1) Otherwise is entitled to the certificate;

(2) Pays to the Commissioner the renewal fee as provided in Code Section 33-8-1;

(3) Submits to the Commissioner:

(A) A renewal application on the form that the Commissioner requires; and
(B) Satisfactory evidence of compliance with any requirements established by the Commissioner for certificate renewal; and
(4)(A) Establishes and maintains a complaint system which has been approved by the Commissioner and which provides reasonable procedures for the resolution of written complaints initiated by ~~enrollees~~ covered persons or ~~health care~~ healthcare providers concerning utilization review;
(B) Maintains records of such written complaints for five years from the time the complaints are filed and submits to the Commissioner a summary report at such times and in such format as the Commissioner may require; and
(C) Permits the Commissioner to examine the complaints at any time.

~~33-46-7.~~ 33-46-9.
Private review agents and utilization review entities shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the Commissioner in all matters regulated by this chapter and the Commissioner shall have such powers and authority with regard to private review agents and utilization review entities as provided in Code Sections 33-2-9 through 33-2-28 with regard to insurers.

~~33-46-8.~~ 33-46-10.
Private review agents and utilization review entities shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 39 of this title.

~~33-46-9~~. 33-46-11.
The Commissioner shall periodically, not less than once a year, provide a list of private review agents and utilization review entities issued certificates and the renewal date for those certificates to all hospitals and to any other individual or organization requesting such list.

~~33-46-10.~~ 33-46-12.
The Commissioner shall establish such reporting requirements upon private review agents and utilization review entities as are necessary to determine if the utilization review programs are in compliance with the provisions of this chapter and applicable rules and regulations.

~~33-46-11.~~ 33-46-13.
The Commissioner shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this chapter.

~~33-46-12.~~ 33-46-14.
No certificate is required for utilization review by any Georgia licensed pharmacist or pharmacy while engaged in the practice of pharmacy, including but not limited to review of the dispensing of drugs, participation in drug utilization review, and monitoring patient

drug therapy.

~~33-46-13.~~ 33-46-15.
(a) This chapter shall not apply to any contract with the federal government for utilization and review of patients eligible for hospital services under Title XVIII or XIX of the Social Security Act.
(b) This chapter shall not apply to any private review agent or utilization review entity when such private review agent or utilization review entity is working under contract, or an extension or renewal thereof, with a licensed insurer operating under an agreement, providing administrative services pursuant to the provisions of subsection (b) of Code Section 33-20-17 to a ~~health care~~ healthcare benefit plan negotiated through collective bargaining as that term is defined in the federal National Labor Relations Act, as amended, if the original agreement was executed and in effect prior to January 1, 1990.
(c) This chapter shall not apply to audits of the medical record for the purposes of verifying that ~~health care~~ healthcare services were ordered and delivered.

~~33-46-14.~~ 33-46-16.
The Commissioner shall issue an annual report to the Governor and the General Assembly concerning the conduct of utilization review in this state. Such report shall include a description of utilization review programs and the services they provide, an analysis of complaints filed against private review agents and utilization review entities by patients or providers, and an evaluation of the impact of utilization review programs on patient access to care. The Commissioner shall not be required to distribute copies of the annual report to ~~the members~~ legislators ~~of~~ in the General Assembly but shall notify ~~the members~~ such legislators of the availability of the report in the manner which he or she deems to be most effective and efficient.

ARTICLE 2

33-46-20.
(a) An insurer shall make any current prior authorization requirements readily accessible on its website to healthcare providers. Clinical criteria on which an adverse determination is based shall be provided to the healthcare provider at the time of the notification.
(b) If an insurer intends either to implement a new prior authorization requirement or to amend an existing requirement, such insurer shall ensure that the new or amended requirement is not implemented unless such insurer's website has been updated to reflect such addition or change.
(c) An insurer using prior authorization shall make aggregate statistics available per such insurer and per its plans regarding prior authorization approvals and denials on its website in a readily accessible format. The Commissioner shall determine the statistics required in order to comply with this Code section in accordance with applicable state and federal privacy laws. Such statistics shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

(1) Approved or denied on initial request;
(2) Reason for denial;
(3) Whether appealed;
(4) Whether approved or denied on appeal; and
(5) Time between submission and response.

33-46-21.
(a) An insurer shall be responsible for monitoring all utilization review activities carried out by, or on behalf of, the insurer and for ensuring that all requirements of this chapter and applicable rules and regulations are met. The insurer also shall ensure that appropriate personnel have operational responsibility for the conduct of the insurer's utilization review program.
(b) Whenever an insurer contracts with a private review agent or utilization review entity to perform services subject to this chapter or applicable rules and regulations, the Commissioner shall hold the insurer responsible for monitoring the activities of such private review agent or utilization review entity and for ensuring that the requirements of this chapter and applicable rules and regulations are met.
(c) A private review agent or utilization review entity shall use documented clinical criteria that are based on sound clinical evidence and which are evaluated periodically to assure ongoing efficacy.
(d) Qualified healthcare professionals shall administer the utilization review program and oversee utilization review decisions. An initial screening of prior authorization requests may be completed without providing the treating provider or other qualified healthcare professional with the opportunity to speak with a clinical peer of the private review agent or utilization review entity. Such an opportunity shall be provided, however, before an appeal. If a private review agent or utilization review entity questions the medical necessity of a healthcare service, such agent or entity shall notify the covered person's treating provider, or such provider's appropriately qualified designee familiar with the patient's case, that medical necessity is being questioned in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 33-46-6.
(e) An insurer shall provide covered persons and participating providers with access to its utilization review staff by telephone or through synchronous digital text or voice messaging or similar technology in accordance with state and federal privacy laws. A clinical peer shall evaluate the clinical appropriateness of adverse determinations.

33-46-22.
A private review agent or utilization review entity shall ensure that all appeals are reviewed by an appropriate healthcare provider who shall:
(1) Possess a current and valid nonrestricted license or maintain other appropriate legal authorization;
(2) Be currently in active practice in the same or similar specialty and who typically manages the medical condition or disease;
(3) Be knowledgeable of, and have experience providing, the healthcare service under

appeal;

(4) Not have been directly involved in making the adverse determination; and

(5) Consider all known clinical aspects of the healthcare service under review, including, but not limited to, a review of all pertinent medical or other records provided to the private review agent or utilization review entity by the covered person's healthcare provider, any relevant records provided to such agent or entity by a facility, and any medical or other literature provided to such agent or entity by the healthcare provider.

33-46-23.

If initial healthcare services are performed within 45 business days of approval of prior authorization, the insurer shall not revoke, limit, condition, or restrict such authorization, unless such prior authorization is for a Schedule II controlled substance or there is a billing error, fraud, material misrepresentation, or loss of coverage.

33-46-24.

Prior authorization shall not be required for unanticipated emergency healthcare services, urgent healthcare services, or covered healthcare services which are incidental to the primary covered healthcare service and determined by the covered person's physician or dentist to be medically necessary.

33-46-25.

An insurer cannot require prior authorization for emergency prehospital ambulance transportation or for the provision of emergency healthcare services.

33-46-26.

Effective January 1, 2022, until December 31, 2022, if an insurer requires prior authorization of a healthcare service, a private review agent or utilization review entity shall notify the covered person's healthcare provider, or such provider's appropriately qualified designee, of any prior authorization or adverse determination within 15 calendar days of obtaining all necessary information to make such authorization or adverse determination. Effective January 1, 2023, if an insurer requires prior authorization of a healthcare service, a private review agent or utilization review entity shall notify the covered person's healthcare provider, or such provider's appropriately qualified designee, of any prior authorization or adverse determination within 7 calendar days of obtaining all necessary information to make such authorization or adverse determination.

33-46-27.

A private review agent or utilization review entity shall render a prior authorization or adverse determination concerning urgent healthcare services and notify such person's healthcare provider, or such provider's appropriately qualified designee, of that prior authorization or adverse determination no later than 72 hours after receiving all information needed to complete the review of the requested healthcare services.

33-46-28.
(a) Upon receipt of information documenting a prior authorization from a covered person or from a covered person's healthcare provider, a private review agent or utilization review entity, for at least the initial 30 days of such person's new coverage, shall honor a prior authorization for a covered healthcare service granted to him or her from a previous private review agent or utilization review entity even if approval criteria or products of a healthcare plan have changed or such person is covered under a new healthcare plan, so long as the former criteria, products, or plans are not binding upon a new insurer.
(b) During the time period described in subsection (a) of this Code section, a private review agent or utilization review entity may perform its own review to grant a prior authorization.
(c) If there is a change in coverage of, or approval criteria for, a previously authorized healthcare service, the change in coverage or approval criteria shall not affect a covered person who received prior authorization before the effective date of such change for the remainder of the covered person's plan year so long as such person remains covered by the same insurer.
(d) A private review agent or utilization review entity shall continue to honor a prior authorization it has granted to a covered person in accordance with this Code section.

33-46-29.
Each violation by a private review agent or utilization review entity of deadline or other requirements specified in this chapter shall result in the automatic authorization of healthcare services under review by such private review agent or utilization review entity if such noncompliance is related to such services. Notwithstanding the foregoing, noncompliance based on a de minimis violation that does not cause, or is not likely to cause, prejudice or harm to the covered person shall not result in the automatic authorization of such healthcare services, so long as the insurer demonstrates that the violation occurred due to good cause or due to matters beyond the control of the insurer and that such violation occurred in the context of an ongoing good faith exchange of information between the insurer and the covered person, or, if applicable, the covered person's healthcare provider or authorized representative.

33-46-30.
With regard to the provision of healthcare services, each contract entered into or renewed by a managed care organization, each contract entered into or renewed by the Department of Community Health with a care management organization, and each contract entered into by the board of such organization with a contracted entity pursuant to the state health benefit plan shall comply with this chapter.

33-46-31.
The Commissioner shall not have the authority to approve, disapprove, or modify any plan offered by a care management organization or any contract between a care

management organization and the Department of Community Health. Compliance with this chapter by care management organizations shall be enforced by the Department of Community Health.

33-46-32.
Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as reducing the authority of the commissioner of community health."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022, and shall apply to all policies or contracts issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed in this state on or after such date.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 80.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 52, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 80.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 105. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Thompson of the 14th, Anderson of the 43rd and Watson of the 1st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, and Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state-wide probation system, so as to revise the conditions and procedures under which probation may be terminated early; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 198. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Albers of the 56th and Robertson of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department of Public Safety, so as to provide for subsistence and per diem allowances; to provide for receipt of badge and duty weapon upon retirement; to provide for authority to grant salary increases upon completion of certain education courses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 236. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Jones of the 25th, Miller of the 49th, Robertson of the 29th, Beach of the 21st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to allow food service establishments licensed to sell distilled spirits for consumption on the premises to sell mixed drinks for off-premises consumption in approved containers under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for the Commissioner of Revenue to promulgate certain rules and regulations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 59. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

SB 117. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 220. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 225. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Rhett of the 33rd, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a veteran's license plate to individuals who served in the armed forces for an

ally of the United States during active military combat; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 146. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Rich of the 97th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 20 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding personnel administration, so as to provide for paid parental leave for eligible state employees and eligible local board of education employees; to provide for definitions; to provide for eligibility; to provide for terms and conditions; to provide for certain prohibitions; to provide for rules; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House insists on its position in substituting the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 153. By Senators Dolezal of the 27th and Tillery of the 19th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for GOAL academies; to provide for definitions; to provide for partnerships to establish GOAL academies as charter schools; to provide for the transition of system-collaborative state charter schools to GOAL academies; to provide for funding and for the calculation thereof; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 153:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for alternative charter schools; to provide for system-collaborative state charter schools to transition from operating under state charters to operating as state chartered special schools by July 1, 2021, or as alternative charter schools; to provide for definitions; to provide for designation; to provide for data collection; to provide for eligibility criteria, requirements, and procedures; to provide for enrollment; to provide for funding; to prohibit approval, renewal, or extension of certain state charter school petitions; to prohibit expansion, extension, renewal, or replication of former system-collaborative state charter schools, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for additional prohibitions on simultaneous service; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

It is the intent of the General Assembly to study alternative education models and funding including those focused on dropout prevention, high school credit recovery, and service of adult and incarcerated students. Such study of alternative education models and funding shall include alternative charter schools and state support of such schools. Such study shall occur during 2021 and 2022 and shall conclude with a recommendation to the General Assembly regarding alternative education models and funding.

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended by revising subsection (l) of Code Section 20-2-154.1, relating to alternative education programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," intent, description, and funding, and by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(l)(1) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Alternative charter school' means a local charter school authorized by one or more local school systems, as provided for in Article 31 of this chapter, which provides an alternative education program, as provided for in this Code section, and which provides programs and services focused on dropout recovery or high school credit recovery.

(B) 'Charter petitioner' means one or more private individuals, private organizations,

state or local public entities, or adult learning providers, or any group of these working in cooperation, that submits or initiates a petition to establish an alternative charter school as a local charter school pursuant to Article 31 of this chapter.

(C) 'System-collaborative state charter school' means a charter school authorized by the State Charter Schools Commission that provides programs and services for dropout recovery or high school credit recovery and is governed by a board of directors which may include personnel of the local board or boards of education from the geographic region which the charter school serves.

(2)(A) The State Board of Education and the Department of Education, in consultation with authorizing local school system or systems, shall establish a process to designate alternative charter schools. Any designation process established pursuant to this subparagraph shall, in addition to meeting the requirements provided for in Code Section 20-2-2063, shall require the charter petitioner to demonstrate how the proposed alternative charter school will increase graduation opportunities for traditional high school students, decrease dropout rates in local school systems, and provide high school credit recovery opportunities.

(B)(i) Not later than July 1, 2021, each system-collaborative charter school that has not transitioned to become an alternative charter school shall operate as a state chartered special school, as defined in Code Section 20-2-2062, authorized directly by the State Board of Education.

(ii) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the State Charter Schools Commission and system-collaborative state charter schools, shall provide for the transfer and designation of existing system-collaborative state charter schools to state chartered special schools by July 1, 2021, except for those schools which have transitioned to become an alternative charter school pursuant to this subsection.

(iii) For the duration of its current charter contract, each school that transitions from operating as a system-collaborative state charter school to operating as a state chartered special school as provided for in division (i) of this subparagraph shall be eligible to receive funding directly from the State Board of Education in an amount equal to the amount such school would have received pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2089 had such school continued to operate as a system-collaborative state charter school, except as provided for in division (iii) of subparagraph (C) of this paragraph; provided, however, that such funding eligibility shall be calculated pro rata based upon when such school commences operating as a state chartered special school as determined by the State Board of Education. Such funding shall not increase in subsequent fiscal years. A system-collaborative state charter school that does not transition to operating as a state chartered special school by July 1, 2021, shall not be eligible for funding available to state charter schools pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2089 after June 30, 2021.

(iv) The State Board of Education shall be authorized to approve an attendance zone for each state chartered special school provided for in this subparagraph that includes one or more local school systems, or any portion thereof, or a state-wide attendance zone.

(v) The Department of Education shall provide administrative and technical support and shall be authorized to allocate funds, including state funds, federal funds, proceeds of general obligation debt, or any other available funds, for any school that transitions from operating as a system-collaborative state charter school to operating as a state chartered special school, as provided for in division (i) of this subparagraph, for purposes directly related to such transition to and operation as a state chartered special school for the duration of such school's current charter contract. The Department of Education may withhold up to 2 percent of the amount determined pursuant to division (iii) of this subparagraph for each school that transitions from operating as a system-collaborative state charter school to operating as a state chartered special school, as provided for in division (i) of this subparagraph, for use in administering the duties required pursuant to this subsection; provided, however, that any amount withheld pursuant to this subdivision shall be spent solely on expenses incurred by the Department of Education in performing the duties required by this subsection.

(C)(i) The State Board of Education, in consultation with the authorizing local school system or systems, the State Charter Schools Commission, and system-collaborative state charter schools, shall provide for the transfer and designation of existing system-collaborative state charter schools to alternative charter schools not later than the conclusion of each such school's current charter contract.

(ii) Regardless of whether it is operating as a state chartered special school pursuant to Article 31 of this chapter or a state charter school pursuant to Article 31A of this chapter, each system-collaborative state charter school shall be eligible to petition one or more local school systems to become an alternative charter school.

(iii) The State Board of Education shall not provide for the expansion, extension, renewal, or replication of former system-collaborative state charter schools as state chartered special schools; provided, however, that such schools may increase student enrollment by no more than 3 percent each school year and add no more than one school site each school year; provided, further, that any school site opened after July 1, 2021, shall be located within the same regional educational service agency service area where the former system-collaborative state charter school's headquarters were located on January 1, 2021. School sites opened by a former system-collaborative state charter school after July 1, 2021, pursuant to this division shall not be included in the calculation of such former system-collaborative state charter school's funding provided for in division (iii) of subparagraph (B) of this paragraph; provided, however, that such school sites shall be eligible to receive QBE formula earnings, as that term is defined in Code Section 20-2-2062.

(iv) Notwithstanding any provision of the law to the contrary, effective July 1, 2021, no system-collaborative state charter school shall be eligible for the extension or renewal of its charter with the State Charter Schools Commission.

(3) The Department of Education, in collaboration with the Office of Student Achievement, shall be responsible for collecting and analyzing appropriate data from and about alternative charter schools on matters consisting of, but not limited to,

alternative charter school effectiveness.

(4) Pursuant to an intragovernmental agreement between a student's resident local school system and the local school system or systems which authorized the alternative charter school, alternative charter schools shall be authorized to enroll students from local school systems other than the local school system or systems which authorized the alternative charter school; provided, however, that students who reside in the authorizing local school system or systems of the alternative charter school shall be prioritized over students who reside outside of such system or systems.

(m) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules necessary to administer the provisions of this Code section. Academically, the mission of alternative education programs shall be to enable students to perform at grade level. Annually, the Office of Student Achievement shall define for alternative education programs acceptable performance and performance indicating a need for peer review, based principally on standards defined by the Office of Student Achievement that measure the academic progress of students toward performing at grade level while attending an alternative education program."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 31, relating to the Charter Schools Act of 1998, by adding a new subsection to Code Section 20-2-2068.1, relating to charter school funding, to read as follows:

"(j) Alternative charter schools, as provided for in subsection (l) of Code Section 20-2-154.1, shall be funded pursuant to this Code section, subject to appropriations by the General Assembly, and such schools shall be treated consistently with all other public schools in this state, pursuant to the respective statutory funding formulas and grants."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended in Article 31A, relating to state charter schools, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (c) and by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Code Section 20-2-2084, relating to petition for charter schools, requirements of school, governing board membership, annual training, and simultaneous service prohibited, to read as follows:

"(4) The commission shall not approve, renew, or extend a state charter school petition for any school with one or more employees, officers, or governing board members who are also an officer, member, or executive-level employee of a local board of education or an employee of a local school system from the geographic region which the state charter school serves. As used in this paragraph, the term 'executive-level employee' means an employee serving as superintendent, deputy, assistant, or associate superintendent, chief financial officer, chief operations officer, or any other similar position which includes substantial decision-making authority on behalf of the local school system."

"(2) No member of the governing board of the state charter school shall:

(A) Act in his or her official capacity in any matter where he or she, his or her

immediate family member, or a business organization in which he or she has an interest has a material financial interest that would reasonably be expected to impair his or her objectivity or independence of judgment;

(B) Solicit or accept or knowingly allow his or her immediate family member or a business organization in which he or she has an interest to solicit or accept any gift, favor, loan, political contribution, service, promise of future employment, or other thing of value based upon an understanding that the gift, favor, loan, contribution, service, promise, or other thing of value was given or offered for the purpose of influencing that board member in the discharge of his or her duties as a board member;

(C) Use, or knowingly allow to be used, his or her position or any information not generally available to the members of the public which he or she receives or acquires in the course of and by reason of his or her position for the purpose of securing financial gain for himself or herself, his or her immediate family member, or any business organization with which he or she is associated; ~~or~~

(D) Be an officer or serve on the board of directors of any organization that sells goods or services to that state charter school; or

(E) Be an officer, member, or employee of a local board of education or an employee of a local school system.

As used in this paragraph, the term 'immediate family member' means a spouse, child, sibling, or parent or the spouse of a child, sibling, or parent."

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 153.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 39, nays 11; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 153.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

I inadvertently voted yes on agreeing to the House substitute to SB 153. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Davenport of the 44th

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

I inadvertently voted yes on agreeing to the House substitute to SB 153. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Rhett of the 33rd

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

I inadvertently voted yes on agreeing to the House substitute to SB 153. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote yes.

/s/ Seay of the 34th

Senator McNeill of the 3rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 179. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Rich of the 97th, Byrd of the 20th, Holmes of the 129th, Mathiak of the 73rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or

supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, so as to amend the logo design for special license plates issued to support breast cancer related programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator McNeill of the 3rd.

The consent was granted, and HB 179 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 179, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 179. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Rich of the 97th, Byrd of the 20th, Holmes of the 129th, Mathiak of the 73rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-86 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to special license plates promoting or supporting certain worthy agencies, funds, or nonprofit corporations with proceeds disbursed to the general fund and the agency, fund, or nonprofit corporation, so as to amend the logo design for special license plates issued to support breast cancer related programs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator McNeill of the 3rd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 45, nays 0.

HB 179, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on 179. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Seay of the 34th

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 179. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 24th

The President resumed the Chair.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of

agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The consent was granted, and HB 575 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 575, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 575:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to joint county and municipal sales and use tax, so as to provide for the levy of the joint county and municipal sales and use tax by consolidated governments and use of proceeds of such tax; to provide for payments in lieu of taxes; to provide for sunset provisions and renewals; to provide for referenda; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to joint county and municipal sales and use tax, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-8-97.

(a) With respect to any consolidated government created by the consolidation of a county and one or more municipalities and where the tax authorized by this article is in effect, the provisions of this Code section shall control over any conflicting provisions of Article 1 of this chapter or this article.

(b) In a special district containing a consolidated government referred to in subsection (a) of this Code section, the rate of tax imposed under this article may be increased from 1 percent to 2 percent if such increase is approved by:

(1) A resolution of the governing authority of the consolidated government in the same manner as otherwise required for the initial 1 percent sales tax pursuant to Code Section 48-8-84; and

(2) A referendum conducted in the same manner as otherwise required for the initial 1 percent sales tax pursuant to Code Section 48-8-85, except that the ballot shall have written or printed thereon the following:

'( ) YES Shall the retail sales and use tax levied within the special district within
( ) NO _____ County be increased from 1 percent to 2 percent?'

(c) Such increased tax rate shall become effective 60 days after the date of the election at which such increase was approved by the voters.

(d)(1) Any consolidated government that imposes the tax authorized by subsection (b) of this Code section shall:

(A) Only expend the proceeds of such tax in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(B) Annually reduce the millage rate for ad valorem taxation of tangible property within the consolidated government to the extent required by paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(2)(A) As a condition precedent for authority to levy the tax or to collect any proceeds from the tax authorized by this article for the year following the initial year in which it is levied, the consolidated government whose geographical boundary is conterminous with that of the special district and each qualified municipality therein receiving any proceeds of the tax shall reduce the millage rate for ad valorem taxation of tangible property within such political subdivisions by five mills.

(B) For all subsequent years, the consolidated government whose geographical boundary is conterminous with that of the special district and each qualified municipality therein receiving any proceeds of the tax shall adjust annually the millage rate for ad valorem taxation of tangible property within such political subdivisions as provided in this subsection. The governing authority shall compute the millage rate necessary to produce revenue from taxation of tangible property in its respective political subdivision which, when combined with other revenues reasonably expected to be received by the political subdivision during the year, other than revenues derived from the tax imposed pursuant to this article, would provide revenues sufficient to defray the expenses of the political subdivision for the year. The millage rate so ascertained shall then be reduced by the number of mills per dollar which, if levied against the tangible property within the political subdivision, would

produce an amount equal to the distribution of the proceeds of the tax imposed by this article which were received by the political subdivision during the preceding year.

(e) The tax increase authorized by subsection (b) of this Code section shall cease to be imposed on the earlier of:

(1) The final day of the fifth calendar year following the year in which the increased tax rate became effective and levied; or

(2) As provided for in subsections (g) and (f) of this Code section.

(f)(1) Such increased tax rate may be decreased from 2 percent to 1 percent if such decrease is approved by:

(A) A resolution of the governing authority of the consolidated government in the same manner as otherwise required under Code Section 48-8-92; and

(B) A referendum conducted in the same manner as otherwise required for discontinuation of the tax under Code Section 48-8-92, except that the ballot shall have written or printed thereon the following:

'( ) YES Shall the retail sales and use tax levied within the special district within
( ) NO _____ County be decreased from 2 percent to 1 percent?'

(2) Such decreased tax rate as provided for in this subsection shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter following the month in which the commissioner receives certification of the result of the election.

(g)(1) Between 365 and 180 days prior to the expiration of the tax increase authorized by this Code section pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of this Code section, or prior to any renewal of the tax increase pursuant to this subsection, the governing authority of the consolidated government may elect to renew the term of the increased tax rate another five years if such renewal is approved by:

(A) A resolution of the governing authority of the consolidated government in the same manner as otherwise required under Code Section 48-8-92; and

(B) A referendum conducted in the same manner as otherwise required for discontinuation of the tax under Code Section 48-8-92, except that the ballot shall have written or printed thereon the following:

'( ) YES Shall the retail sales and use tax levied within the special district within
( ) NO _____ County be renewed at 2 percent?'

(2) If a term for the increased tax rate is approved and renewed, this renewed term for the increased tax rate shall become effective the first day of the calendar year following the expiration of the previous increased tax rate term as described in paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of this Code section.

(3) Any renewed term for the increased tax rate is subject to the condition precedent as described in paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of this Code section, provided that the proceeds of such tax shall be expended in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (d)(2)(B) of this Code section during the entirety of any subsequent renewed terms.

(h) In all respects not otherwise provided for in this Code section, the levy of a tax under this article by a consolidated government referred to in subsection (a) of this Code section

shall be in the same manner as the levy of the tax by any other county.
(i) If any tax authorized under this article is to be newly imposed in the county whose geographical boundary is conterminous with that of the special district containing a consolidated government, for any rental, lease, or other agreement related to property in the special district that is in effect at the time of levy of such tax, or may be entered into subsequently, which utilizes the millage rate of any such political subdivision or the consolidated government in calculating payments in lieu of taxes payable by the tenant, lessee, or occupant, no reduction as set forth in subsection (d) of this Code section in the millage rate for ad valorem taxes of any political subdivision or consolidated government resulting from the tax authorized under this article shall apply to such agreements, unless the parties thereto specifically have provided that the effects of the tax to be imposed under this article be included in said calculations."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Lucas of the 26th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 575 (LC 44 1754S) by striking lines 37 through 42 renumbering according

Senator Kennedy of the 18th asked unanimous consent that HB 575 be committed to the General Calendar. The consent was granted, and HB 575 was committed to the General Calendar.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 591. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Buckner of the 137th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, so as to authorize marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians, psychologists, and others are authorized to perform regarding emergency examinations of persons for involuntary evaluation and treatment for mental illness or alcohol or drug abuse; to define certain terms; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The consent was granted, and HB 591 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 591, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 591. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Buckner of the 137th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, so as to authorize marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians, psychologists, and others are authorized to perform regarding emergency examinations of persons for involuntary evaluation and treatment for mental illness or alcohol or drug abuse; to define certain terms; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 591:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, so as to authorize marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians, psychologists, and others are authorized to perform regarding emergency examinations of persons for involuntary evaluation and treatment for mental illness or alcohol or drug abuse; to define certain terms; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, is amended by revising subsection (d) of, and adding a new subsection to, Code Section 37-3-41, relating to emergency admission of a person for involuntary evaluation of mental illness, as follows:

"(d) Any psychologist, clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, or clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health may perform any act specified by this Code section to be performed by a physician.

Any reference in any part of this chapter to a physician acting under this Code section shall be deemed to refer equally to a psychologist, a clinical social worker, a licensed professional counselor, a marriage and family therapist, or a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health acting under this Code section. For purposes of this Code section, the term 'psychologist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed psychologist; the term 'clinical social worker' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed clinical social worker; the term 'licensed professional counselor' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed professional counselor; the term 'marriage and family therapist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed marriage and family therapist; and the term 'clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a registered professional nurse and who is recognized by the Georgia Board of Nursing to be engaged in advanced nursing practice as a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health.

(e) No later than February 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, the department shall prepare a report with de-indentified, aggregated data from written reports required by this subsection. The annual report shall include, but not be limited to, the total number of certificates issued by county and the total number of certificates issued by physicians, by psychologists, by clinical social workers, by licensed professional counselors, by marriage and family therapists, or by clinical nurse specialists in psychiatric/mental health. The annual report shall also include the total number of individuals examined in or admitted to each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department. The department shall submit the annual report to the General Assembly, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives during each regular legislative session."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (d) of, and adding a new subsection to, Code Section 37-7-41, relating to emergency involuntary treatment of an alcoholic, a drug abuser, or a drug dependent individual, as follows:

"(d) Any psychologist, clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, or clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health may perform any act specified by this Code section to be performed by a physician. Any reference in any part of this chapter to a physician acting under this Code section shall be deemed to refer equally to a psychologist, a clinical social worker, a licensed professional counselor, a marriage and family therapist, or a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health acting under this Code section. For purposes of this Code section, the term 'psychologist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed psychologist; the term 'clinical social worker' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed clinical social worker; the term 'licensed professional counselor' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed professional counselor; the term 'marriage and

family therapist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed marriage and family therapist; and the term 'clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a registered professional nurse and who is recognized by the Georgia Board of Nursing to be engaged in advanced nursing practice as a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health.

(e) No later than February 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, the department shall prepare a report with de-indentified, aggregated data from written reports required by this subsection. The annual report shall include, but not be limited to, the total number of certificates issued by county and the total number of certificates issued by physicians, by psychologists, by clinical social workers, by licensed professional counselors, by marriage and family therapists, or by clinical nurse specialists in psychiatric/mental health. The annual report shall also include the total number of individuals examined in or admitted to each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department. The department shall submit the annual report to the General Assembly, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives during each regular legislative session."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that HB 591 be committed to the General Calendar. The consent was granted, and HB 591 was committed to the General Calendar.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 124. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd and McDonald of the 26th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, so as to provide for multiple cremation devices; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming amendments; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to provide for rules and regulations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Anavitarte of the 31st.

The consent was granted, and HB 124 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 124, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 124. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd and McDonald of the 26th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, so as to provide for multiple cremation devices; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming amendments; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to provide for rules and regulations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Anavitarte of the 31st.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to HB 124:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, so as to provide for multiple cremation devices; to provide for a definition; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for certain inspections; to provide for conforming amendments; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, is amended in Code Section 43-18-1, relating to definitions, by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(5.1) 'Cremation device' means a retort, vat, or container in which dead human bodies are cremated by traditional flame, alkaline hydrolysis, or other means approved by the board."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 43-18-8, relating to identification of body or remains of deceased and affidavit required for cremated remains, by revising

paragraph (2) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(2) No funeral director in charge of a crematory shall permit any dead body to be on the premises of the crematory without the dead body being identified as provided by this subsection, except when the body is placed in ~~the retort~~ a cremation device; and the tag shall be removed from the body and kept in a regular location near the ~~retort~~ cremation device during cremation and thereafter placed atop the cremated remains on the inside of the vessel and any liner therein. The vessel containing cremated remains shall be plainly labeled on the outside so as to identify the deceased with the same information, excluding social security number, as is required to be on the tag inside the vessel and so as to identify the name of the person or firm to which such remains are to be delivered or released."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 43-18-72, relating to crematories to be licensed, equipment, facilities, and personnel, application, reports, and limitation of single body in retort, by revising paragraph (a)(1) and subsections (b) and (e) as follows:

"(a)(1) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, or association to operate a crematory without first obtaining a separate license for such purpose from the board in accordance with this article. The crematory must be at a specific address or location and must meet the following requirements and have the following minimum equipment, facilities, and personnel:

(A) A room with seating for a minimum of 30 people in which funeral services may be conducted;

(B) A display room containing an adequate supply of urns;

(C) Rolling stock consisting of at least one operable motor hearse either owned or leased by said firm with current Georgia registration;

(D) At least one operable ~~retort for cremation~~ cremation device;

(E) At least one operable processing station for grinding of cremated remains;

(F) At least one church truck; and

(G) Not be located within 1,000 feet of a residential subdivision platted and recorded in the office of the clerk of the superior court of a county in which such residential subdivision is located."

"(b) The board may adopt and enforce such rules and regulations as may be reasonable and necessary to provide for the sanitary disposal of dead human bodies and prevent the spread of disease and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the people of this state. Such rules and regulations may include inspections of any retort by the manufacturer or other authorized crematory repair company once every five years to ensure proper operations."

"(e) No more than one dead human body shall be placed in a ~~retort~~ cremation device at one time unless written permission has been received from the person possessing legal responsibility for the disposition of the dead human body."

**SECTION 4.**
This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 3.

HB 124, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 153. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the

110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The consent was granted, and HB 153 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 153, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 153. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs offered the following substitute to HB 153:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"10-1-393.16.

(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'corporate filings' means any documents required by law to be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to Title 14.

(b) Any written solicitation for services relating to corporate filings shall include, in at least 16 point Helvetica font at the top of and at least two inches apart from any other text on such solicitation, the words:

'THIS IS A SOLICITATION. THIS IS NOT A BILL OR OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT DOCUMENT AND HAS NOT BEEN SENT BY THE GEORGIA SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE.'

No text on the solicitation shall be larger than the above required words.

(c) Failure to comply with the provisions of this Code section shall be considered an unfair or deceptive act or practice which is unlawful and which shall be punishable by the provisions of this part."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| E Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 1.

HB 153, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 292. By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Hogan of the 179th, Burchett of the 176th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to remove certain training requirements for members of county boards of equalization following their initial training for their first term; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The consent was granted, and HB 292 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 292, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 292. By Representatives Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Hogan of the 179th, Burchett of the 176th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of property, so as to remove certain training requirements for members of county boards of equalization following their initial training for their first term; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 292, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 364. By Representatives Collins of the 68th, Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Nix of the 69th and Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-38-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of armed employees of private detective and private security businesses, qualifications, continuing education, fingerprints, license card, and suspension, so as to exempt persons having completed Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training from required fingerprint submission for application to be licensed as a private guard,

watchman, or patrolman; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The consent was granted, and HB 364 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 364, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 364. By Representatives Collins of the 68th, Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Nix of the 69th and Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-38-7 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of armed employees of private detective and private security businesses, qualifications, continuing education, fingerprints, license card, and suspension, so as to exempt persons having completed Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training from required fingerprint submission for application to be licensed as a private guard, watchman, or patrolman; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 1.

HB 364, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Ginn of the 47th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 374. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, England of the 116th, Wiedower of the 119th, Benton of the 31st and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt from taxation local authorities providing public water or sewer service; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Ginn of the 47th.

The consent was granted, and HB 374 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 374, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 374. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, England of the 116th, Wiedower of the 119th, Benton of the 31st and Frye of the 118th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales and use taxes, so as to exempt from taxation local authorities providing public water or sewer service; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Ginn of the 47th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 374, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Payne of the 54th moved that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 18, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 488. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, Leverett of the 33rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for the calculation of future increases in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for other magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for clerks of magistrate courts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

Senator Lucas of the 26th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 46, nays 5; the motion prevailed, and HB 488 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 488, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 488. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, Leverett of the 33rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for the calculation of future increases in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for other magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for clerks of magistrate courts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

Senators Payne of the 54th and Anderson of the 24th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 488 (LC 41 2931) by adding at the end of Section 1; add sub section “h” to read as follows:

“(h) Notwithstanding any general laws of local application to the contrary, the General Assembly by local law may use the schedule of minimum salaries provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section to set the compensation of any elected county officers.”

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Payne amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 1.

HB 488, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that the Senate adhere to its disagreement to the House substitute to SB 6 and that a Conference Committee be appointed.

The consent was granted, and the President appointed as a Conference Committee the following Senators: Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and Watson of the 1st.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 273. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to provide an additional method of initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The consent was granted, and HB 273 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 273, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 273. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to provide an additional method of initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 273:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to regulate the sale and transfer of certain alcoholic beverages; to provide for limited retail sales of distilled spirits by distillers under certain terms and conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for transfers of liquids from licensed premises of distillers; to provide for the promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; to provide for the transfer of a limited quantity of malt beverages by brewers that may be sold at retail or at wholesale subject to certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is amended by repealing and enacting a new Code Section 3-4-24.2, relating to the three-tier system of distribution and sale of distilled spirits, Sunday sales, regulatory authority, and conditions or limitations, to read as follows:

"3-4-24.2.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Licensed premises' means the physical premises where a distiller is licensed by the state as a manufacturer of distilled spirits.

(2) 'On-site production volume' means the volume of distilled spirits produced by distillation through one or more stills located at a licensed premises as part of a distiller's process of engaging in the material and essential aspects of manufacturing such distilled spirits for human consumption.

(b) A limited exception to the provisions of this title providing a three-tier system for the distribution and sale of distilled spirits shall exist to the extent that the license to manufacture distilled spirits in this state shall include the right of a licensed distiller to sell up to 750 barrels of distilled spirits per calendar year to individuals on such distiller's licensed premises for personal use and not for resale, subject to the following terms and conditions:

(1) Such retail sales of distilled spirits shall only be made to an individual who is physically on such distiller's licensed premises and is of the age required by Code Section 3-3-23;

(2) A maximum of three of such distiller's licensed premises shall be permitted to make such retail sales. If such distiller has more than one licensed premises, such distiller shall annually designate the specific licensed premises, up to a maximum of three, from which such distiller has elected to exercise its limited right to sell distilled spirits pursuant to this subsection and shall provide notification of such designation to the department for each calendar year;

(3) Such retail sales made for consumption on the premises shall not be subject to a daily maximum amount;

(4) Such retail sales made for consumption off the premises shall not exceed a maximum of 4,500 milliliters of distilled spirits per individual per day;

(5) Such distiller shall only make such retail sales of distilled spirits that such distiller has distilled, rectified, blended, aged, or bottled at one or more of its licensed premises;

(6) Such distiller shall only make such retail sales of distilled spirits for which such distiller is the sole owner of the brand and brand label;

(7) Beginning on April 1, 2022, and continuing thereafter, such distiller shall only make such retail sales of distilled spirits at a licensed premises at which such distiller reports on-site production volume, unless such licensed premises:

(A) Operates under the same federal distilled spirits permit of a licensed premises of such distiller at which such distiller reports on-site production volume;

(B) Is designated under paragraph (2) of this subsection as one of such distiller's licensed premises for retail sales;

(C) Is used for aging distilled spirits transferred from such distiller's on-site production volume in wooden containers for a period exceeding one year at such licensed premises; provided, however, that such licensed premises may also be used for aging distilled spirits transferred to such licensed premises as permitted under

subsection (d) of this Code section; and

(D) Has physically located at such licensed premises at all times during such calendar year not less than 500 barrels of distilled spirits owned by such distiller that are being aged in wooden containers; and

(8) Beginning on April 1, 2022, and continuing thereafter, the maximum volume of distilled spirits that such distiller may sell from each specific licensed premises permitted to make such retail sales under this subsection during any calendar quarter shall be limited as follows:

(A) From a licensed premises at which such distiller reports on-site production volume, the maximum volume shall be the on-site production volume at such licensed premises during such calendar quarter; and

(B) From a licensed premises that meets all of the qualifications described in subparagraphs (A) through (D) of paragraph (7) of this subsection, the maximum volume shall be the difference between:

(i) The total aggregate on-site production volume of such distiller in this state among all of such distiller's licensed premises during such calendar quarter; and

(ii) The total aggregate retail sales made by such distiller under this subsection at all other licensed premises at which such distiller makes retail sales under this subsection during such calendar quarter.

(c) Each distiller shall file a report with the department every calendar quarter documenting all retail sales made under subsection (b) of this Code section and the on-site production volume of such distiller at each licensed premises in such manner and on such forms as designated by the department.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall prohibit a distiller from transferring any liquid, regardless of whether such liquid would be deemed to be a finished product of distilled spirits or was distilled by such distiller, to or from any of such distiller's licensed premises or from selling such transferred liquid to individuals present at such distiller's licensed premises, subject to the terms and limitations of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(e) A distiller may sell distilled spirits pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section on all days and at all times that sales of distilled spirits by retailers and retail consumption dealers are lawful within the county or municipality in which the licensed premises of such distiller is located, including, but not limited to, Sundays.

(f) A distiller shall not sell any distilled spirits for consumption off the premises pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section at a price less than the price at which a person licensed to sell distilled spirits by the package is permitted to sell distilled spirits pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 3-4-26.

(g) Any distiller engaging in sales of distilled spirits pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall remit all state and local sales, use, and excise taxes to the proper tax collecting authority.

(h) The commissioner shall promulgate and enforce such rules and regulations as he or she may deem reasonable and necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Code section.

(i) Upon a violation by a distiller of any provision of this Code section or this title or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, the commissioner shall have the power to place conditions or limitations on such distiller's license and to modify or amend such conditions or limitations."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 3-5-24.1, relating to exception to three-tier system, taxing, regulatory authority, and conditions or limitations, as follows:

"3-5-24.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Common ownership' means the same 100 percent common ownership interest including, but not limited to, ownership of the stock, limited liability company membership interest, limited liability partnership interest, other entity interest, or partnership interest, in whatever form such ownership interest may exist.

(2) 'Licensed premises' means the physical premises where brewer is licensed by the state as a manufacturer of malt beverages.

(3) 'Produces' means engaging in the material and essential aspects of the brewing process to manufacture malt beverage for human consumption; provided, however, when a brewer engages in the brewing process at multiple licensed premises, the malt beverage will be deemed to have been produced only at the licensed premises where such malt beverage first began fermentation through the chemical conversion of fermentable sugars into alcohol.

~~(a)~~(b) A limited exception to the provisions of this title providing a three-tier system for the distribution and sale of malt beverages shall exist to the extent that the license to manufacture malt beverages in this state shall include the right to sell ~~up to 3,000 barrels of~~ malt beverages ~~per year produced at~~ to individuals on the brewer's licensed premises ~~to individuals who are on such premises~~ for personal use and not for resale, subject to the following terms and conditions:

~~(1) Consumption on the premises; and~~

~~(2) Consumption off the premises, provided that such sales for consumption off the premises shall not exceed a maximum of 288 ounces of malt beverages per consumer per day.~~

(1) The brewer may only make sales of malt beverages to an individual while the individual is physically on the brewer's licensed premises where the brewer produces malt beverages;

(2) The brewer may make sales of malt beverages the brewer produces at the brewer's licensed premises where the individual is purchasing the malt beverages;

(3) As long as the brewer and all of the brewer's licensed premises are under common ownership, the brewer may make sales of malt beverages the brewer produces at any licensed premises of the brewer and subsequently transfers in compliance with the limitations and reporting obligations of subsection (c) of this Code section to the brewer's licensed premises for sale where the individual is purchasing the malt beverages;

(4) The brewer may only make sales of malt beverages for which the brewer is the sole owner of the brand and brand label;

(5) Sales for consumption on the premises are not subject to a daily maximum amount;

(6) Sales for consumption off the premises shall not exceed a maximum of 288 ounces of malt beverages per individual per day; and

(7) The maximum amount of malt beverages the brewer may sell pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section in each calendar year shall be 6,000 barrels in the aggregate among all brewer's licensed premises making such sales.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall be interpreted to prohibit a brewer from transferring any liquid, regardless of whether such liquid would be deemed to be malt beverages or not, to or from any of the brewer's licensed premises; provided, however, with respect to any malt beverages a brewer produces at one of the brewer's licensed premises and transfers to be sold to individuals pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section at another of the brewer's licensed premises, the maximum number of barrels of malt beverages permitted to be transferred from one licensed premises of the brewer to another licensed premises of the brewer shall not exceed the number of barrels of malt beverages the brewer produces under brands and brand labels for which the brewer is the sole owner at the licensed premises receiving the transferred malt beverages and the brewer shall file a report with the department every calendar quarter documenting all such transfers in such form as the department shall require.

~~(b)~~(d) A brewer may sell malt beverages pursuant to subsection ~~(a)~~ (b) of this Code section on all days and at all times that sales of malt beverages by retailers are lawful within the county or municipality in which the licensed premises of the brewer is located, including, but not limited to, Sundays.

~~(c)~~(e) Any brewer engaging in sales of malt beverages pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall remit all state and local sales, use, and excise taxes to the proper tax collecting authority.

~~(d)~~(f) The commissioner shall promulgate and enforce such rules and regulations as he or she may deem reasonable and necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Code section.

~~(e)~~(g) Upon a violation by a brewer of any provision of this Code section or this title or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder, the commissioner shall have the power to place conditions or limitations on such brewer's license and to modify or amend such conditions or limitations."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 4.

HB 273, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Tillery of the 19th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 290. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Rich of the 97th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to prohibit hospitals and nursing homes from instituting any policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients'

abilities to be visited by designated family members or friends as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or nursing home; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tillery of the 19th.

The consent was granted, and HB 290 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 290, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 290. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Rich of the 97th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to prohibit hospitals and nursing homes from instituting any policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients' abilities to be visited by designated family members or friends as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or nursing home; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tillery of the 19th.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 290:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and construction of hospitals and other health care facilities, so as to provide for visitor policies; to provide for definitions; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Patient and Resident Representation Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and construction of hospitals and other health care facilities, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 16

31-7-430.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Long-term care facility' means a skilled nursing home, intermediate care home, personal care home, assisted living community, community living arrangement, or inpatient hospice facility.

(2) 'Visitor' means an individual authorized by a patient or resident to have access to in-person visitation in a hospital or long-term care facility.

31-7-431.

(a) On and after July 1, 2021, hospitals and long-term care facilities shall institute visitor policies, appropriate to their clinical and residential settings, that are no more restrictive to visitation than the minimum standards promulgated by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

(b) Hospitals and long-term care facilities shall not be prevented from imposing reasonable safety requirements relating to the in-person physical contact of visitors with patients or residents. Such general safety requirements shall be posted on the hospital or long-term care facility's website and be made available upon request in physical form.

31-7-432.

(a) The department shall establish rules and regulations narrowly tailored to implement the provisions of this article.

(b) The department shall be authorized to take civil, disciplinary, or administrative action against any hospital or long-term care facility for noncompliance with this article.

(c) Nothing in this article shall be construed to limit any right of a patient or resident recognized under any provision of state or federal law or regulation.

(d) The provisions of this article shall be construed to comply with the requirements of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to obtain funding for patients, residents, hospitals, or long-term care facilities."

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 2.

HB 290, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 165. By Representatives Barr of the 103rd, Hitchens of the 161st, Clark of the 147th, Meeks of the 178th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems,

mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy absorption systems of motor vehicles, so as to allow for the use of mounts on windshields of motor vehicles for the support of wireless telecommunications devices and stand-alone electronic devices under certain circumstances; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The consent was granted, and HB 165 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 165, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 165. By Representatives Barr of the 103rd, Hitchens of the 161st, Clark of the 147th, Meeks of the 178th, Lumsden of the 12th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 4 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to horns, exhaust systems, mirrors, windshields, tires, safety belts, and energy absorption systems of motor vehicles, so as to allow for the use of mounts on windshields of motor vehicles for the support of wireless telecommunications devices and stand-alone electronic devices under certain circumstances; to provide for an exception; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 165, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HR 142. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state owned property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned property in Hall County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The consent was granted, and HR 142 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HR 142, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HR 142. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state owned property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned property in Hall County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other

purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The Senate Committee on State Institutions and Property offered the following substitute to HR 142:

A RESOLUTION

Authorizing the lease of certain state owned real property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned real property located in Decatur County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned real property located in Fulton County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned real property in Hall County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS:

(1) The State of Georgia is the owner of certain real property located in Baldwin County, Georgia; and

(2) Said real property is all those tracts or parcels of land containing approximately 754.105 acres, lying and being in the 1st Land District, 318th and 319th G.M.D of Baldwin County, Georgia, said property being further detailed and identified on Exhibit "A" of the existing Amendment to the Lease Agreement by and between the State Properties Commission, acting for and on behalf of the State of Georgia, and Baldwin County, Georgia dated April 2, 1998, as recorded in the State Properties Commission inventory as Real Property Record 009034, being an amendment of the Lease Agreement dated August 7, 1979, as recorded in the State Properties Commission inventory as Real Property Record 009034; and

(3) Said real property is under the custody of the Georgia Forestry Commission and the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice; and

(4) By official action dated January 26, 2021, the Georgia Forestry Commission requested to amend the current lease with Baldwin County, Georgia for an additional 25-year term under the same terms and conditions as the current lease, pursuant to which consideration is $250.00 annually and the Georgia Forestry Commission reserves timber rights over the leased area; and

(5) By official action dated January 26, 2021, the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice requested to amend the current lease with Baldwin County, Georgia for an additional 25-year term under the same terms and conditions as the current lease, pursuant to which consideration is $250.00 annually; and

WHEREAS:

(1) The State of Georgia is the owner of certain real property located in Columbia

County, Georgia; and

(2) Said real property is approximately 0.062 of an acre in total, being a portion of a 26.4-acre tract located in the 1285th G.M.D. of Columbia County, Georgia, and more particularly described in the Warranty Deed, dated August 30, 2006, from the Development Authority of Columbia County, being recorded in Deed Book 5618, Pages 60-69, in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Columbia County, and on file with the State Properties Commission Real Property Records as RPR 010223, and more particularly described on a plat of survey, dated February 24, 2005, prepared by John Thomas Attaway, Registered Land Surveyor #2512, and on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission as RPR 010223; and

(3) Said real property is under the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia and is located at 3500 John Huffman Way, Grovetown, Georgia, being a portion of the Augusta Technical College; and

(4) By letter dated January 18, 2021, the Georgia Department of Transportation requested the conveyance of approximately 0.023 of an acre of a right-of-way, 0.010 of an acre for a permanent easement, and approximately 0.029 of an acre for a temporary easement to accommodate the planned reconstruction of SR 388/Horizon South Parkway from CR 571/Wrightsboro Road to Interstate 20, Project P.I. 0008351, for the total consideration of approximately $15,700.00, being comprised of approximately $1,556.00 in value for the property being conveyed in fee, $325.00 for the granting of the permanent easement, $942.00 for the granting of the temporary easement, and $12,850.00 in value for the damage to sign trade fixtures; and

(5) By official action dated January 25, 2021, the Technical College System of Georgia requested to seek legislation to convey the approximately 0.023 of an acre right-of-way, approximately 0.010 of an acre for a permanent easement, and approximately 0.029 of an acre for a temporary easement to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the total consideration of approximately $15,700.00, which includes the funds to be collected for damages to sign trade fixtures; and

WHEREAS:

(1) The State of Georgia is the owner of real property located in Decatur County, Georgia; and

(2) Said real property is a portion being approximately 115 acres, lying and being in the 15th District of Bainbridge, Decatur County, Georgia, commonly known as the Bainbridge PSATC, and more particularly described in a Warranty Deed dated April 1, 1966, from the Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Decatur County, being recorded in Deed Book Z-8, Pages 206-209 in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Decatur County and on file with the State Properties Commission Real Property Record as RPR 003368; and

(3) Said real property is under the custody of the Department of Corrections; and

(4) By official action dated February 25, 2021, the Department of Corrections requested to surplus and convey the approximately 115 acres of real property; and

WHEREAS:

(1) The State of Georgia is the owner of real property located in Fulton County, Georgia; and

(2) Said real property is a portion being approximately 0.005 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lots 82 and 83, 14th Land District of Fulton County, Georgia, commonly known as the Yellow Lot, and more particularly described in a General Warranty Deed dated July 13, 2000, from the Lundsford Company, being recorded in Deed Book 29281, Page 88 in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Fulton County and on file with the State Properties Commission Real Property Record as RPR 009465; and

(3) Said real property is under the custody of the Department of Economic Development; and

(4) By official action dated March 1, 2021, the Department of Economic Development requested to surplus and convey the approximately 0.005 of an acre of real property; and

WHEREAS:

(1) The State of Georgia is the owner of improved real property located in Hall County, Georgia; and

(2) Said real property is approximately 2.144 acres, lying and being in Land Lots 98 and 112, 8th District of Flowery Branch, Hall County, Georgia, and more particularly described in a General Warranty Deed dated August 30, 2018, from LLI Management Company, LLC, being recorded in Deed Book 8145, Pages 334-337, in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Hall County and on file with the State Properties Commission Real Property Record as RPR 012175; and

(3) Said real property is under the custody of the Department of Community Affairs and the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority; and

(4) By official action, the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority requested to surplus and convey the approximately 2.144 acres of real property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

ARTICLE I

**SECTION 1.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the above-described property located in Baldwin County, containing approximately 754.105 acres, and that in all matters relating to the leasing of said real property, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 2.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through the State Properties Commission, is

authorized to amend the lease of the above-described property to Baldwin County, Georgia for an additional 25-year term under the same terms and conditions as the current lease, pursuant to which consideration is $250.00 annually and the Georgia Forestry Commission reserves timber rights over the entire leased area, and such further terms and conditions as determined by the State Properties Commission to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 3.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect such lease, including the execution of all necessary documents.

**SECTION 4.**

That the authorization to lease the above-described property shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 5.**

That the above-described real property shall remain in the custody of the Georgia Forestry Commission and the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice during the term of the lease.

ARTICLE II

**SECTION 6.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the above-described property located in Columbia County, containing approximately 0.062 of an acre in total, and that in all matters relating to the conveyance and granting of easements of said real property, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 7.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through the State Properties Commission, is authorized to convey to the Georgia Department of Transportation approximately 0.023 of an acre of a right-of-way, 0.010 of an acre for a permanent easement, and approximately 0.029 of an acre for a temporary easement for a total consideration of approximately $15,700.00, being comprised of approximately $1,556.00 in value for the property being conveyed in fee, $325.00 for the granting of the permanent easement, $942.00 for the granting of the temporary easement, and $12,850.00 in value for the damage to sign trade fixtures, and such further terms and conditions as determined by the State Properties Commission to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 8.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect such conveyance and granting of easements,

including the execution of all necessary documents.

**SECTION 9.**

That the authorization to convey the above-described property and grant the above-described easements shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 10.**

That the deed or deeds and plat or plats of the conveyance and the grant of easements shall be recorded by the Grantee in the Superior Court of Columbia County, Georgia, and a recorded copy shall be forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 11.**

That the above-described real property shall remain in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia until the property is conveyed.

ARTICLE III

**SECTION 12.**

The State of Georgia is the owner of the above-described property located in Decatur County, containing approximately 115 acres, and that in all matters relating to the conveyance of the property the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 13.**

That the above-described real property may be conveyed by appropriate instrument by the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission by competitive bid for fair market value, to a local government or state entity for fair market value, or to a local government or state entity for a consideration of $10.00 so long as the property is used for public purpose in perpetuity; and other consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 14.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect such conveyance.

**SECTION 15.**

That the authorization to convey the above-described property shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 16.**

That the deed or deeds and plat or plats shall be recorded by the Grantee in the Superior

Court of Decatur County, Georgia, and a recorded copy shall be forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 17.**

That custody of the above-described real property shall remain in the custody of the Department of Corrections until the property is conveyed.

ARTICLE IV

**SECTION 18.**

The State of Georgia is the owner of the above-described property located in Fulton County, and that in all matters relating to the conveyance of the property, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 19.**

That the above-described real property may be conveyed by appropriate instrument by the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, to the Georgia Department of Transportation for a total consideration of $11,500.00 and such other consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 20.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect such conveyance.

**SECTION 21.**

That the authorization to convey the above-described property shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 22.**

That the deed or deeds and plat or plats shall be recorded by the Grantee in the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, and a recorded copy shall be forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 23.**

That custody of the above-described real property shall remain in the custody of the Department of Economic Development until the property is conveyed.

ARTICLE V

**SECTION 24.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the above-described property located in Hall County, containing approximately 2.144 acres, and that in all matters relating to the conveyance of said real property, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State

Properties Commission.

**SECTION 25.**

That the above-described improved real property may be conveyed by appropriate instrument by the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, by competitive bid for fair market value or to a local government or state entity for fair market value and such other consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 26.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect such conveyance.

**SECTION 27.**

That the authorization to convey the above-described property shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 28.**

That the deed or deeds and plat or plats of the conveyance shall be recorded by the Grantee in the Superior Court of Hall County, Georgia, and a recorded copy shall be forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 29.**

That the above-described real property shall remain in the custody of Department of Community Affairs and the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority until the property is conveyed.

ARTICLE VI

**SECTION 30.**

That this resolution shall become effective as law upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 31.**

That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this resolution are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HR 142, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HR 143. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The consent was granted, and HR 143 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HR 143, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HR 143. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The Senate Committee on State Institutions and Property offered the following substitute to HR 143:

A RESOLUTION

Authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Carroll, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia is the owner of certain real property located in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Carroll, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; and

WHEREAS, Granite-Active Networks, Georgia Power Company, Southern Company Gas, Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation, Carroll Electric Membership Corporation, International Paper, Atlanta Gas Light, the City of Savannah, AT&T, Comcast, Glynn County, CitySwitch II-A, LLC, Diverse Power Company, Flint Electric Membership Corporation, Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation, Ronald Collum,

the Motes Family, Upson Electric Membership Corporation, the City of LaGrange, Walton Electric Membership Corporation, and Ware County desire to construct, install, operate, and maintain facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through a portion of said property; and

WHEREAS, these nonexclusive easements, facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through the above-described state property have been requested or approved by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Technical College System of Georgia, Georgia Department of Defense, Georgia Department of Economic Development, Georgia Bureau of Investigation, Georgia Department of Education, Georgia Department of Corrections, and Georgia Department of Community Supervision.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

ARTICLE I
**SECTION 1.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Barrow County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Fort Yargo State Park; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated August 25, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 2.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Granite-Active Networks, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain high-speed internet cable to serve the Park Kiosk and Visitors Center. Said easement area is located in Barrow County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.25 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lot WN15 001, 1st District, Barrow County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Granite-Active Networks, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 3.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining high-speed internet cable.

**SECTION 4.**

That Granite-Active Networks shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of the high-speed internet cable.

**SECTION 5.**

That, after Granite-Active Networks has put into use the high-speed internet cable for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Granite-Active Networks, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the high-speed internet cable shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 6.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Granite-Active Networks and, except as herein specifically granted to Granite-Active Networks, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Granite-Active Networks.

**SECTION 7.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Granite-Active Networks shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Granite-Active Networks provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Granite-Active Networks or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 8.**

That the easement granted to Granite-Active Networks shall contain such other

reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 9.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Granite-Active Networks shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 10.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 11.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Granite-Active Networks in the Superior Court of Barrow County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 12.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Granite-Active Networks shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 13.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE II

**SECTION 14.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Bartow County, Georgia, and is commonly known as North Metro Campus of the Chattahoochee Technical College; and the property is in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia which, by official action dated October 1, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 15.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment to serve the TCSG-350 Center for Advanced Manufacturing and Emerging Technologies building. Said easement area is located in Bartow County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.48 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lots 1240, 1281, and 1282, 21st Land District, Bartow County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on an engineering drawing furnished by Georgia Power Company, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 16.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 17.**

That Georgia Power Company shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 18.**

That, after Georgia Power Company has put into use the underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 19.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Georgia Power Company and, except as herein specifically granted to Georgia Power Company, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Georgia Power Company.

**SECTION 20.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Georgia Power Company shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Georgia Power Company provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Georgia Power Company or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 21.**

That the easement granted to Georgia Power Company shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 22.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system, or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Georgia Power Company shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 23.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 24.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Georgia Power Company in the Superior

Court of Bartow County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 25.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Georgia Power Company shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 26.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE III

**SECTION 27.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Bartow County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the North Metro Campus of the Chattahoochee Technical College; and the property is in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia which, by official action dated September 3, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 28.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Southern Company Gas, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground gas distribution lines to serve the TCSG-350 Center for Advanced Manufacturing and Emerging Technologies building. Said easement area is located in Bartow County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.2 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lots 1240, 1281, and 1282, 21st District, Bartow County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Southern Company Gas, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 29.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground gas distribution lines.

**SECTION 30.**

That Southern Company Gas shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of underground gas

distribution lines.

**SECTION 31.**

That, after Southern Company Gas has put into use the underground gas distribution lines for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Southern Company Gas, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground gas distribution lines shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 32.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Southern Company Gas and, except as herein specifically granted to Southern Company Gas, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Southern Company Gas.

**SECTION 33.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Southern Company Gas shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Southern Company Gas provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Southern Company Gas or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 34.**

That the easement granted to Southern Company Gas shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area

herein granted.

**SECTION 35.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system, or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Southern Company Gas shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 36.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 37.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Southern Company Gas in the Superior Court of Bartow County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 38.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Southern Company Gas shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 39.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE IV

**SECTION 40.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Bibb County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the Macon Readiness Center; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Defense which, by official action dated July 27, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 41.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement

to construct, install, operate, and maintain overhead and underground electrical transmission lines and associated equipment to serve Building #4, Dining Facility. Said easement area is located in Bibb County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.14 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lot 29, 1st District, Bibb County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on an engineering drawing furnished by Georgia Power Company, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 42.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining overhead and underground electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 43.**

That Georgia Power Company shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of overhead and underground electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 44.**

That, after Georgia Power Company has put into use the overhead and underground electrical transmission lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the overhead and underground electrical transmission lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 45.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Georgia Power Company and, except as herein specifically granted to Georgia Power Company, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Georgia Power Company.

**SECTION 46.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with

the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Georgia Power Company shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Georgia Power Company provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Georgia Power Company or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 47.**

That the easement granted to Georgia Power Company shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 48.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Georgia Power Company shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 49.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 50.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Georgia Power Company in the Superior Court of Bibb County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 51.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Georgia Power Company shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 52.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE V

**SECTION 53.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Camden County, Georgia and is commonly known as the tidal water bottoms and marsh; and the property is in the custody of the Coastal Resources Division of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated June 12, 2018, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 54.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain electrical transmission lines and associated equipment to serve Cumberland Island. Said easement area is located in Camden County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 16.08 acres being a portion of that land lying and being in, the 29th and 31st G.M.D., a portion of Tract N-4 and surrounding marshland, Camden County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 55.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining the electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 56.**

That Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 57.**

That, after Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation has put into use the electrical transmission lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the electrical transmission lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 58.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation and, except as herein specifically granted to Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation.

**SECTION 59.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 60.**

That the easement granted to Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement

area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 61.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 62.**

That the consideration for such easement shall be $12,100.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 63.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation in the Superior Court of Camden County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 64.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Okefenokee Rural Electric Membership Corporation shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 65.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE VI

**SECTION 66.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Camden County, Georgia and is commonly known as the Camden County Campus of the Coastal Pines Technical College; and the property is in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia which, by official action dated November 5, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 67.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Southern Company Gas, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground gas distribution lines to serve the TCSG-265 classroom and library building. Said easement area is located in Camden County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.28 of an acre, being a portion of that land lying and being in 1606th G.M.D., Camden County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Southern Company Gas, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 68.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground gas distribution lines.

**SECTION 69.**

That Southern Company Gas shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said underground gas distribution lines.

**SECTION 70.**

That, after Southern Company Gas has put into use the underground gas distribution lines for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Southern Company Gas, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground gas distribution lines shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 71.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Southern Company Gas and, except as herein specifically granted to Southern Company Gas, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Southern Company Gas.

**SECTION 72.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed

or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Southern Company Gas shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Southern Company Gas provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Southern Company Gas or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 73.**

That the easement granted to Southern Company Gas shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 74.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Southern Company Gas shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 75.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 76.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Southern Company Gas in the Superior Court of Camden County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 77.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Southern Company Gas shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 78.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE VII

**SECTION 79.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Carroll County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the West Georgia Technical College; and the property is in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia which, by official action dated February 17, 2021, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 80.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Carroll Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment to serve the new campus of the West Georgia Technical College, TCSG-349. Said easement area is located in Carroll County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 1.36 acres, lying and being in Land Lots 67 and 68, 10th District, Carroll County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a survey furnished by Carroll Electric Membership Corporation, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 81.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 82.**

That Carroll Electric Membership Corporation shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 83.**

That, after Carroll Electric Membership Corporation has put into use the underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Carroll Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 84.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Carroll Electric Membership Corporation and, except as herein specifically granted to Carroll Electric Membership Corporation, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area is reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Carroll Electric Membership Corporation.

**SECTION 85.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Carroll Electric Membership Corporation shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Carroll Electric Membership Corporation provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Carroll Electric Membership Corporation or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 86.**

That the easement granted to Carroll Electric Membership Corporation shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same

easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 87.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Carroll Electric Membership Corporation shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 88.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 89.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Carroll Electric Membership Corporation in the Superior Court of Carroll County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 90.**

That the authorization in this resolution to grant the above-described easement to Carroll Electric Membership Corporation shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 91.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE VIII

**SECTION 92.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the Savannah River; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Coastal Resources Division which, by official action dated February 25, 2021, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 93.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may

grant to International Paper – Port Wentworth Facility, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain an underwater diffuser at the outfall location to mitigate frequent manatee interactions. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.15 of an acre of water bottoms in the Savannah River, lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by International Paper, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 94.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining an underwater diffuser.

**SECTION 95.**

That, after International Paper has put into use the underwater diffuser for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, International Paper, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underwater diffuser shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 96.**

That no title shall be conveyed to International Paper and, except as herein specifically granted to International Paper, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area is reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to International Paper.

**SECTION 97.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and International Paper shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, International Paper provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission

determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from International Paper or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 98.**

That the easement granted to International Paper shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 99.**

International Paper shall obtain any and all required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 100.**

That the consideration for such easement shall for be a fair market value not less than $650.00, the agreement by International Paper to seek any necessary permits through, and otherwise comply with, the Coastal Marshlands Protection Act of 1970, O.C.G.A. 12-5-280, et seq., and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 101.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by International Paper in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 102.**

That the authorization in this resolution to grant the above-described easement to International Paper shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 103.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE IX

**SECTION 104.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the Savannah Convention Center; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Economic Development which does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 105.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Atlanta Gas Light, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground gas lines to serve the Savannah Trade Center. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.28 of an acre, lying and being in the 8th G.M.D., Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Atlanta Gas Light, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 106.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground gas lines.

**SECTION 107.**

That Atlanta Gas Light shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said underground gas lines.

**SECTION 108.**

That, after Atlanta Gas Light has put into use the underground gas lines for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Atlanta Gas Light, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground gas lines shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 109.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Atlanta Gas Light and, except as herein specifically granted to Atlanta Gas Light, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not

inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Atlanta Gas Light.

**SECTION 110.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Atlanta Gas Light shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Atlanta Gas Light provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Atlanta Gas Light or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 111.**

That the easement granted to Atlanta Gas Light shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 112.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Atlanta Gas Light shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 113.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 114.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Atlanta Gas Light in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 115.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Atlanta Gas Light shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 116.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE X

**SECTION 117.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the Savannah Convention Center; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Economic Development which does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 118.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to the City of Savannah, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground water and sanitary sewer lines and associated equipment to serve the Savannah Trade Center. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.38 of an acre, lying and being in the 8th G.M.D., Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by the City of Savannah, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 119.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground water and sanitary sewer lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 120.**

That the City of Savannah shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the

proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said underground water and sanitary sewer lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 121.**

That, after the City of Savannah has put into use the underground water and sanitary sewer lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, the City of Savannah, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground water and sanitary sewer lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 122.**

That no title shall be conveyed to the City of Savannah and, except as herein specifically granted to the City of Savannah, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to the City of Savannah.

**SECTION 123.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and the City of Savannah shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, the City of Savannah provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from the City of Savannah or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 124.**

That the easement granted to the City of Savannah shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is

authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 125.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. The City of Savannah shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 126.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 127.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by the City of Savannah in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 128.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to the City of Savannah shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 129.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XI

**SECTION 130.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Savannah Convention Center; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Economic Development which does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 131.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain electrical transmission lines and associated equipment to serve the Savannah Trade Center. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.27 of an acre, lying and being in the 8th G.M.D., Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by the Georgia Power Company, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 132.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 133.**

That Georgia Power Company shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 134.**

That, after Georgia Power Company has put into use the electrical transmission lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the electrical transmission lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 135.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Georgia Power Company and, except as herein specifically granted to Georgia Power Company, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to the Georgia Power Company.

**SECTION 136.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed

or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and the Georgia Power Company shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Georgia Power Company provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Georgia Power Company or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 137.**

That the easement granted to Georgia Power Company shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 138.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Georgia Power Company shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 139.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00, the abandonment and conveyance of a relocated easement area to the state, and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 140.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Georgia Power Company in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 141.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to the Georgia Power Company shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 142.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XII

**SECTION 143.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Wormsloe Historic Site; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated May 19, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 144.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to AT&T, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain aerial and underground communications cables to serve the Wormsloe Visitor Center and the UGA Center for Research and Education buildings on the south end of the property. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 3.24 acres, lying and being in 1st District, Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by AT&T, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 145.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining the aerial and underground communications cables.

**SECTION 146.**

That AT&T shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said aerial and underground communications cables.

**SECTION 147.**

That, after AT&T has put into use the aerial and underground communications cables for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, AT&T, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the aerial and underground communications cables shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 148.**

That no title shall be conveyed to AT&T and, except as herein specifically granted to AT&T, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to AT&T.

**SECTION 149.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and AT&T shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, AT&T provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from AT&T or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 150.**

That the easement granted to AT&T shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 151.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers,

interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. AT&T shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 152.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 153.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by AT&T in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 154.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to AT&T shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 155.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XIII

**SECTION 156.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the GBI Special Operations Building - Coastal Region; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation which, by official action dated September 10, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 157.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Georgia Power Company or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground electrical distribution lines and transformer to serve their new Special Operations Building. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.09 of an acre, lying and being in the 8th G.M.D., Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on an engineering drawing furnished

by Georgia Power Company and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 158.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining the underground electrical distribution lines and transformer.

**SECTION 159.**

That Georgia Power Company shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said underground electrical distribution lines and transformer.

**SECTION 160.**

That, after Georgia Power Company has put into use the underground electrical distribution lines and transformer for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground electrical distribution lines and transformer shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 161.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Georgia Power Company and, except as herein specifically granted to Georgia Power Company, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Georgia Power Company.

**SECTION 162.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Georgia Power Company shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in

advance of any construction being commenced, Georgia Power Company provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Georgia Power Company or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the underground electrical distribution lines and transformer without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 163.**

That the easement granted to Georgia Power Company shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 164.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Georgia Power Company shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 165.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 166.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Georgia Power Company in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 167.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Georgia Power Company shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 168.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and

things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XIV
**SECTION 169.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Chatham County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Skidaway Island State Park; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated October 27, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 170.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Comcast or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain high-speed internet and phone cable to serve the new park visitor's center. Said easement area is located in Chatham County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.70 of an acre, lying and being in the 4th District, 6th G.M.D. Chatham County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Comcast and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 171.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining high-speed internet and phone cable.

**SECTION 172.**

That Comcast shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of said high-speed internet and phone cable.

**SECTION 173.**

That, after Comcast has put into use the high-speed internet and phone cable for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Comcast, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the high-speed internet and phone cable shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 174.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Comcast and, except as herein specifically granted to Comcast, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Comcast.

**SECTION 175.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Comcast shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Comcast provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Comcast or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the high-speed internet and phone cable without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 176.**

That the easement granted to Comcast shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 177.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Comcast shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 178.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission

may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 179.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Comcast in the Superior Court of Chatham County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 180.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Comcast shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 181.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XV

**SECTION 182.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Glynn County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Sansavilla Wildlife Management Area and Clayhole Swamp Wildlife Management Area; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated May 19, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 183.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Glynn County, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain a paved road for access and install culverts for drainage improvement. Said easement area is located in Glynn County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 13.99 acres being a portion of that property lying and being in 1st District, Glynn County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by the Glynn County, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 184.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining a paved road for access and culverts for drainage improvement.

**SECTION 185.**

That Glynn County shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of the paved road for access and culverts for drainage improvement.

**SECTION 186.**

That, after Glynn County has put into use the paved road for access and culverts for drainage improvement for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Glynn County, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the paved road for access and culverts for drainage improvement shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 187.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Glynn County and, except as herein specifically granted to Glynn County, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Glynn County.

**SECTION 188.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Glynn County shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Glynn County provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Glynn County or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 189.**

That the easement granted to Glynn County shall contain such other reasonable terms,

conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 190.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Glynn County shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 191.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 192.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by the Glynn County in the Superior Court of Glynn County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 193.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Glynn County shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 194.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XVI

**SECTION 195.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Harris County, Georgia, commonly known as Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park; and the property is in the custody of the Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated February 20, 2021, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 196.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to CitySwitch II-A, LLC, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to access, install, operate, and maintain a tower for telecommunication purposes. Said easement area is located in Harris County and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.60 of an acre, lying and being in the 3rd District, Harris County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by CitySwitch II-A, LLC, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 197.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purpose of accessing, installing, operating, and maintaining a tower for telecommunication purposes.

**SECTION 198.**

That CitySwitch II-A, LLC, shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for accessing, installing, operating, and maintaining a tower for telecommunication purposes.

**SECTION 199.**

That, after CitySwitch II-A, LLC, has put into use the tower for telecommunication purposes for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, CitySwitch II-A, LLC, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the tower for telecommunication purposes shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 200.**

That no title shall be conveyed to CitySwitch II-A, LLC, and, except as herein specifically granted to CitySwitch II-A, LLC, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area is reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to CitySwitch II-A, LLC.

**SECTION 201.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across

the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and CitySwitch II-A, LLC, shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, CitySwitch II-A, LLC, provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from CitySwitch II-A, LLC, or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 202.**

That the easement granted to CitySwitch II-A, LLC, shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 203.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. CitySwitch II-A, LLC, shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 204.**

That the consideration for such easement shall be for a fair market value not less than $650.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 205.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by CitySwitch II-A, LLC, in the Superior Court of Harris County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 206.**

That the authorization in this resolution to grant the above-described easement to CitySwitch II-A, LLC, shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes

effective.

**SECTION 207.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XVII

**SECTION 208.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Harris County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated February 25, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 209.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Diverse Power Company, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain power lines and associated equipment. Said easement area is located in Harris County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.69 of an acre, being a portion of that property lying and being in Land Lot 22, 3rd G.M.D., Harris County, Georgia, and that portion shown on a drawing furnished by Diverse Power Company and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission, and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 210.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining power lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 211.**

That Diverse Power Company shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of the power lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 212.**

That, after Diverse Power Company has put into use the power lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all

the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Diverse Power Company, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the power lines shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 213.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Diverse Power Company and, except as herein specifically granted to Diverse Power Company all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Diverse Power Company.

**SECTION 214.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Diverse Power Company shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Diverse Power Company provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Diverse Power Company or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 215.**

That the easement granted to Diverse Power Company shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 216.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a

municipality with respect to the city street system. Diverse Power Company shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 217.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and the abandonment and conveyance of approximately 0.83 of an acre easement area to the state and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 218.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by the Diverse Power Company in the Superior Court of Harris County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 219.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Diverse Power Company shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 220.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XVIII

**SECTION 221.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Macon County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Camp John Hope; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Education which, by official action dated February 26, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 222.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Flint Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain electrical transmission lines and associated equipment to serve the new caretaker's residence. Said easement area is located in Macon County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.211 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lot 161, 9th District, Macon County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on an engineering drawing

furnished by Flint Electric Membership Corporation, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 223.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 224.**

That Flint Electric Membership Corporation shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 225.**

That, after Flint Electric Membership Corporation has put into use the electrical transmission line and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Flint Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the electrical transmission lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 226.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Flint Electric Membership Corporation and, except as herein specifically granted to Flint Electric Membership Corporation, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Flint Electric Membership Corporation.

**SECTION 227.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Flint Electric Membership Corporation shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate

easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Flint Electric Membership Corporation provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Flint Electric Membership Corporation or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 228.**

That the easement granted to Flint Electric Membership Corporation shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 229.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Flint Electric Membership Corporation shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 230.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 231.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Flint Electric Membership Corporation in the Superior Court of Macon County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 232.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Flint Electric Membership Corporation shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 233.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XIX

**SECTION 234.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Montgomery County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Montgomery State Prison; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Corrections which, by official action dated February 6, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 235.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, an easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain overhead electrical transmission lines and associated equipment to serve a new egg-laying facility. Said easement area is located in Montgomery County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.12 of an acre, lying and being in 1343rd, and 1757th G.M.D., Montgomery County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a survey furnished by Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 236.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining overhead electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 237.**

That Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of overhead electrical transmission lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 238.**

That, after Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation has put into use the overhead electrical transmission lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and

easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the overhead electrical distribution lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 239.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation and, except as herein specifically granted to Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation.

**SECTION 240.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any installation being commenced, Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 241.**

That the easement granted to Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 242.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state

highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 243.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 244.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation in the Superior Court of Montgomery County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 245.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Altamaha Electric Membership Corporation shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 246.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XX

**SECTION 247.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Murray County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Chief Vann House Historic Site; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated March 24, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 248.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, an easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain power lines and associated equipment to improve power reliability between Georgia Power Company's Chatsworth and Gravitt substations. Said easement area is located in Murray County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.35 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lot 225, 9th District, 3rd

Section, Murray County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Georgia Power Company, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 249.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining power lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 250.**

That Georgia Power Company shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of power lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 251.**

That, after Georgia Power Company has put into use the power lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Georgia Power Company, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the power lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 252.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Georgia Power Company and, except as herein specifically granted to Georgia Power Company, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Georgia Power Company.

**SECTION 253.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Georgia Power Company shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement

area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any installation being commenced, Georgia Power Company provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Georgia Power Company or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 254.**

That the easement granted to Georgia Power Company shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 255.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Georgia Power Company shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 256.**

That the consideration for such easement shall be for a fair market value not less than $650.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 257.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Georgia Power Company in the Superior Court of Murray County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 258.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Georgia Power Company shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 259.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and

things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXI
**SECTION 260.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Paulding and Polk Counties, Georgia, and is commonly known as Paulding Forest Wildlife Management Area; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated January 13, 2020, does not object to the exchange of easements and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 261.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Ronald Collum or his successors and assigns, a nonexclusive access easement for ingress and egress over Paulding Forest Wildlife Management Area; in exchange, Ronald Collum will convey to the State an old access easement and grant three additional access easements totaling approximately 2.51 acres. Said easement area is located in Paulding and Polk Counties, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 2.48 acres, lying and being in Land Lot 260, 18th District, 3rd Section, Paulding County, Georgia, and Land Lots 243, 262, 313, 315, and 316, 18th District, 3rd Section Polk County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Ronald Collum, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 262.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of ingress and egress.

**SECTION 263.**

That Ronald Collum shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for ingress and egress.

**SECTION 264.**

That, after Ronald Collum has put into use the ingress and egress for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Ronald Collum, or his successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the ingress and egress shall become the

property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 265.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Ronald Collum and, except as herein specifically granted to Ronald Collum, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Ronald Collum.

**SECTION 266.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Ronald Collum shall remove or relocate his facilities to the alternate easement area at his sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Ronald Collum provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Ronald Collum or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the ingress and egress easement without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 267.**

That the easement granted to Ronald Collum shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 268.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Ronald Collum shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for his lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in his use of the easement area.

**SECTION 269.**

That the consideration for such easement shall be for the conveyance of an old access easement to the state, along with three additional access easements, totaling approximately 2.51 acres and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 270.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Ronald Collum in the Superior Courts of Paulding and Polk Counties and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 271.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Ronald Collum shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 272.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXII

**SECTION 273.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Rabun County, Georgia, commonly known as Tallulah Gorge State Park; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated May 19, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 274.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Amanda Anne Hall, Margie J. Deer, Sally J. Grose, and Nollie Leigh Motes, collectively, "the Motes Family," or their successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain utilities and a road for ingress and egress. Said easement area is located in Rabun County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 2.02 acres, lying and being in the 9th District, Rabun County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a survey furnished by the Motes Family, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 275.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining utilities and a road for ingress and egress.

**SECTION 276.**

That the Motes Family shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of utilities and a road for ingress and egress.

**SECTION 277.**

That, after the Motes Family has put into use the utilities and road for ingress and egress for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, the Motes Family, or their successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the utilities and road for ingress and egress shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 278.**

That no title shall be conveyed to the Motes Family and, except as herein specifically granted to the Motes Family, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to the Motes Family.

**SECTION 279.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and the Motes Family shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, the Motes Family provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from the Motes Family or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent

nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 280.**

That the easement granted to the Motes Family shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 281.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. The Motes Family shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for their lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in their use of the easement area.

**SECTION 282.**

That the consideration for such easement shall be for a fair market value not less than $650.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 283.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by the Motes Family in the Superior Court of Rabun County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 284.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to the Motes Family shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 285.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXIII

**SECTION 286.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Talbot County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Big Lazer Wildlife

Management Area; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated February 25, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 287.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Upson Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground and overhead electrical distribution lines and associated equipment. Said easement area is located in Talbot County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 1.0 acre, lying and being in the Land Lots 243 and 23, 2nd District, Talbot County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Upson Electric Membership Corporation, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 288.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground and overhead electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 289.**

That Upson Electric Membership Corporation shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of the underground and overhead electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 290.**

That, after Upson Electric Membership has put into use the underground and overhead electrical distribution lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Upson Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground and overhead electrical distribution lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 291.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Upson Electric Membership Corporation and, except as herein specifically granted to Upson Electric Membership Corporation, all rights, title,

and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Upson Electric Membership Corporation.

**SECTION 292.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Upson Electric Membership Corporation shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Upson Electric Membership Corporation provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Upson Electric Membership Corporation or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 293.**

That the easement granted to Upson Electric Membership Corporation shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 294.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Upson Electric Membership Corporation shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 295.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be

$10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 296.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Upson Electric Membership Corporation in the Superior Court of Talbot County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 297.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Upson Electric Membership Corporation shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 298.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXIV

**SECTION 299.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Troup County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the East Campus of West Georgia Technical College; and the property is in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia which, by official action dated March 11, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 300.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to the City of LaGrange or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain telecommunication lines over the East Campus of West Georgia Technical College to serve the campus. Said easement area is located in Troup County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 2.0 acres, lying and being in the Land Lot 174, 6th District, Troup County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by the City of LaGrange, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 301.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining telecommunication lines.

**SECTION 302.**

That the City of LaGrange shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of telecommunication lines.

**SECTION 303.**

That, after the City of LaGrange has put into use the telecommunication lines for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, the City of LaGrange, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the telecommunication lines shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 304.**

That no title shall be conveyed to the City of LaGrange and, except as herein specifically granted to the City of LaGrange, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to the City of LaGrange.

**SECTION 305.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and the City of LaGrange shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, the City of LaGrange provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from the City of LaGrange or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the telecommunication lines without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 306.**

That the easement granted to the City of LaGrange shall contain such other reasonable

terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 307.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. The City of LaGrange shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 308.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 309.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by the City of LaGrange in the Superior Court of Troup County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 310.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to the City of LaGrange shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 311.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXV

**SECTION 312.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Walton County, Georgia, and is commonly known as Wildlife Resources Division Headquarters at the Walton Fish Hatchery; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources which, by official action dated May 20, 2015, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 313.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Walton Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain aboveground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment. Said easement area is located in Walton County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.5 of an acre, lying and being in the Land Lot 72, 418th District, Walton County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Walton Electric Membership Corporation, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 314.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining aboveground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 315.**

That Walton Electric Membership Corporation shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of aboveground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment.

**SECTION 316.**

That, after Walton Electric Membership Corporation has put into use the aboveground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Walton Electric Membership Corporation, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the aboveground electrical distribution lines and associated equipment shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 317.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Walton Electric Membership Corporation and, except as herein specifically granted to Walton Electric Membership Corporation, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Walton Electric Membership Corporation.

**SECTION 318.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Walton Electric Membership Corporation shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, the Walton Electric Membership Corporation provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Walton Electric Membership Corporation or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 319.**

That the easement granted to Walton Electric Membership Corporation shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 320.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Walton Electric Membership Corporation shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 321.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and the conveyance of approximately 0.41 of an acre of an existing easement to be relocated and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 322.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Walton Electric Membership Corporation in the Superior Court of Walton County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 323.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Walton Electric Membership Corporation shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 324.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXVI

**SECTION 325.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Ware County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the Waycross Day Reporting Center; and the property is in the custody of the Georgia Department of Community Supervision which, by official action dated December 10, 2020, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 326.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Ware County, or its successors and assigns, an easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain road improvements along RC Davis Road. Said easement area is located in Ware County, and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 0.08 of an acre, lying and being in Land Lot 209, 8th Land District, Ware County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a survey furnished by Ware County, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 327.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining road improvements along RC Davis Road.

**SECTION 328.**

That Ware County shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper

construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of the road improvements along RC Davis Road.

**SECTION 329.**

That, after Ware County has put into use the road improvements along RC Davis Road for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Ware County, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the road improvements along RC Davis Road shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 330.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Ware County and, except as herein specifically granted to Ware County, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Ware County.

**SECTION 331.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and Ware County shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any installation being commenced, Ware County provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Ware County or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 332.**

That the easement granted to Ware County shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 333.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Ware County shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 334.**

That the consideration for such easement shall be for a fair market value not less than $650.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 335.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Ware County in the Superior Court of Ware County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 336.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Ware County shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 337.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXVII

**SECTION 338.**

That the State of Georgia is the owner of the hereinafter described real property lying and being in Washington County, Georgia, and is commonly known as the Oconee Fall Line Technical College; and the property is in the custody of the Technical College System of Georgia which, by official action dated January 20, 2021, does not object to the granting of an easement; and, in all matters relating to the easement, the State of Georgia is acting by and through its State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 339.**

That the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, may grant to Southern Company Gas, or its successors and assigns, a nonexclusive easement to construct, install, operate, and maintain underground gas distribution lines to serve the TCSG-342a Transportation Center. Said easement area is located in Washington County,

and is more particularly described as follows:

That approximately 1.06 acres, lying and being in 17th District, and 1488th GMD, Washington County, Georgia, and that portion only as shown on a drawing furnished by Southern Company Gas, and being on file in the offices of the State Properties Commission and may be more particularly described by a plat of survey prepared by a Georgia registered land surveyor and presented to the State Properties Commission for approval.

**SECTION 340.**

That the above-described easement area shall be used only for the purposes of constructing, installing, operating, and maintaining underground gas distribution lines.

**SECTION 341.**

That Southern Company Gas shall have the right to remove or cause to be removed from said easement area only such trees and bushes as may be reasonably necessary for the proper construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of underground gas distribution lines.

**SECTION 342.**

That, after Southern Company Gas has put into use the underground gas distribution lines for which this easement is granted, a subsequent abandonment of the use thereof shall cause a reversion to the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns, of all the rights, title, privileges, powers, and easement granted herein. Upon abandonment, Southern Company Gas, or its successors and assigns, shall have the option of removing their facilities from the easement area or leaving the same in place, in which event the underground gas distribution lines shall become the property of the State of Georgia, or its successors and assigns.

**SECTION 343.**

That no title shall be conveyed to Southern Company Gas and, except as herein specifically granted to Southern Company Gas, all rights, title, and interest in and to said easement area are reserved in the State of Georgia, which may make any use of said easement area not inconsistent with or detrimental to the rights, privileges, and interest granted to Southern Company Gas.

**SECTION 344.**

That if the State of Georgia, acting by and through its State Properties Commission, determines that any or all of the facilities placed on the easement area should be removed or relocated to an alternate site on state-owned land in order to avoid interference with the state use or intended use of the easement area, it may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement to allow placement of the removed or relocated facilities across the alternate site under such terms and conditions as the State Properties Commission shall in its discretion determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia, and

Southern Company Gas shall remove or relocate its facilities to the alternate easement area at its sole cost and expense without reimbursement by the State of Georgia unless, in advance of any construction being commenced, Southern Company Gas provides a written estimate for the cost of such removal and relocation and the State Properties Commission determines, in its sole discretion, that the removal and relocation is for the sole benefit of the State of Georgia. Upon written request from Southern Company Gas or any third party, the State Properties Commission, in its sole discretion, may grant a substantially equivalent nonexclusive easement within the property for the relocation of the facilities without cost, expense, or reimbursement from the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 345.**

That the easement granted to Southern Company Gas shall contain such other reasonable terms, conditions, and covenants as the State Properties Commission shall deem in the best interest of the State of Georgia and that the State Properties Commission is authorized to use a more accurate description of the easement area, so long as the description utilized by the State Properties Commission describes the same easement area herein granted.

**SECTION 346.**

That this resolution does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the Georgia Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system. Southern Company Gas shall obtain any and all other required permits from the appropriate governmental agencies as are necessary for its lawful use of the easement area or public highway right of way and comply with all applicable state and federal environmental statutes in its use of the easement area.

**SECTION 347.**

That, given the public purpose of the project, the consideration for such easement shall be $10.00 and such further consideration and provisions as the State Properties Commission may determine to be in the best interest of the State of Georgia.

**SECTION 348.**

That this grant of easement shall be recorded by Southern Company Gas in the Superior Court of Washington County and a recorded copy shall be promptly forwarded to the State Properties Commission.

**SECTION 349.**

That the authorization to grant the above-described easement to Southern Company Gas shall expire three years after the date that this resolution becomes effective.

**SECTION 350.**

That the State Properties Commission is authorized and empowered to do all acts and things necessary and proper to effect the grant of the easement.

ARTICLE XXVIII

**SECTION 351.**

That this resolution shall become effective as law upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 352.**

That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this resolution are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HR 143, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that Senator Gooch of the 51st be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Gooch was excused.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 254. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Taylor of the 173rd, Hugley of the 136th and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, so as to increase the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; to provide for allowable types of remuneration; to provide for proof of financial responsibility; to provide for record keeping; to provide for certain consumer protections; to provide for advertising requirements; to provide for certain prohibited acts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The consent was granted, and HB 254 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 254, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 254. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Taylor of the 173rd, Hugley of the 136th and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, so as to increase the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; to provide for allowable types of remuneration; to provide for proof of financial responsibility; to provide for record keeping; to provide for certain consumer protections; to provide for advertising requirements; to provide for certain prohibited acts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to HB 254:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, so as to increase the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; to provide for allowable types of remuneration; to provide for proof of financial responsibility; to provide for record keeping; to provide for certain consumer protections; to provide for advertising requirements; to provide for certain prohibited acts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, is amended by revising Code Section 33-23-43, relating to authority of adjusters and penalties for violation, as follows:

"33-23-43.

(a) An adjuster licensed as both an independent and a public adjuster shall not represent both the insurer and the insured in the same transaction.

(b) An adjuster shall have authority under his or her license only to investigate, settle, or adjust and report to his or her principal upon claims arising under insurance contracts on behalf of insurers only if licensed as an independent adjuster or on behalf of insureds only if licensed as a public adjuster.

(c) No public adjuster, at any time, shall knowingly:

(1) Misrepresent to an insured that he or she is required to hire an independent or public adjuster to help the insured meet his or her obligations under his or her policy;

(2) Accept or agree to accept any money or other compensation from an attorney or any person acting on behalf of an attorney which the adjuster knows or should reasonably know is payment for the suggestion or advice by the adjuster to seek the services of the attorney or for the referral of any portion of a person's claim to the attorney;

(3) Hire or procure another to do any act prohibited by this subsection;

(4) Advertise or promise to pay or rebate all or any portion of any insurance deductible as an inducement to the sale of goods or services. As used in this paragraph, the term 'promise to pay or rebate' includes:

(A) Granting any allowance or offering any discount against the fees to be charged, including, but not limited to, an allowance or discount in return for displaying a sign or other advertisement at the insured's premises; or

(B) Paying the insured or any person directly or indirectly associated with the claim

any form of compensation, gift, prize, bonus, coupon, credit, referral fee, or other item of monetary value for any reason;

(5) Misrepresent to a claimant that he or she is an adjuster representing an insurer in any capacity, including acting as an employee of the insurer or as an independent adjuster, unless appointed by an insurer in writing to act on the insurer's behalf for that specific claim or purpose. A licensed public adjuster shall not charge a claimant a fee for adjusting a claim when he or she is appointed by the insurer for that specific claim or purpose and the appointment is accepted by the public adjuster;

(6) Solicit, or attempt to solicit, an insured during the progress of a loss-producing occurrence as defined in the insured's insurance contract;

(7) Have a direct or indirect financial interest in any aspect of a claim other than the salary, fee, commission, or other consideration established in a written contract with the insured which shall incorporate all of the conditions and provisions set out in Code Section ~~33-23-43.1~~ 33-23-43.2;

(8) Charge to or collect from an insured any amount, other than reasonable compensation for services rendered based on time spent and expenses incurred, in any transaction where the insurer either pays or commits in writing to pay the policy limit or limits for all coverage under the insured's policy within three business days after the loss is reported to the insurer;

(9) Misrepresent to an insured or insurer that he or she is an attorney authorized by law to provide legal advice and services or that a policy covers a loss or losses outside the scope of the coverage provided by the insurance contract;

(10) Permit an unlicensed employee or representative of the adjuster to conduct business for which a license is required; or

(11) Hire or procure another to do any act prohibited by this subsection.

(d) For purposes of subsection (c) of this Code section, the term 'public adjuster' shall include licensed public adjusters as defined by Code Section 33-23-1, persons representing themselves to be public adjusters who are not properly licensed by the Commissioner, and persons committing any act under paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of this Code section.

(e) Any person who violates any provision of subsection (c) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and such violation shall be grounds for suspension or revocation of licenses under this chapter.

(f) The Commissioner may adopt reasonable and necessary rules to implement this article, including but not limited to rules regarding:

(1) The qualifications for adjusters, in addition to those prescribed by this article, that are necessary to promote the public interest;

(2) The regulation of the conduct of adjusters, in accord with this article;

(3) The prescription of fees not prescribed elsewhere in this title that are necessary to cover the cost of filings or other administrative costs; and

(4) The regulation of advertisements and the definition of 'advertisement' as the term is used in paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-23-43.1.

(a) No person may act or hold himself or herself out to be a public adjuster in this state unless such person holds a public adjuster license issued by the Commissioner.

(b) A public adjuster license is not, however, required for:

(1) An attorney licensed to practice law in this state while acting for an insured concerning a loss under a policy; or

(2) A person licensed as a general property and casualty agent or personal lines property and casualty agent while acting for an insurer concerning a loss under a policy issued by that agent."

**SECTION 3.**

Said article is further amended by revising and renumbering Code Section 33-23-43.1, related to requirements for public adjuster contracts, as follows:

"~~33-23-43.1.~~ 33-23-43.2.

(a) No person may, directly or indirectly, act within this state as a public adjuster without, among other requirements, having first entered into a contract, in writing, on a form approved by the Commissioner, executed in duplicate by such person and the insured or the insured's duly authorized representative. A public adjuster shall not use any form of contract that is not approved by the Commissioner.

~~(a)~~(b) Public adjusters shall ensure that all contracts for their services are in writing, prominently captioned and titled 'Public Adjuster Contract,' and contain the following:

(1) Legible full name of the public adjuster signing the contract, as specified on the license issued by the ~~Department of Insurance,~~ department and attestation language that the public adjuster is fully bonded pursuant to state law;

(2) Permanent home state business address and contact information of the public adjuster, including email address;

(3) The public adjuster's ~~Department of Insurance~~ department license number and a statement that the license is valid and in full force and effect as of the date the contract is signed;

(4) The insured's full name and street address;

(5) A description of the loss and its location, if applicable;

(6) A description of services to be provided to the insured;

(7) Signatures of the public adjuster and the insured;

(8) The date the contract was signed by the public adjuster, and the date the contract was signed by the insured;

(9) A statement of the fee, compensation, or other considerations that the public adjuster is to receive for services, including a listing of typical costs and expenses for which the public adjuster is to be reimbursed; ~~and~~

(10) A statement prominently captioned in a minimum 12 point font that contains the following:

(A) Any direct or indirect interest in or compensation by any construction firm,

salvage firm, building appraisal firm, storage company, or any other firm or business entity that performs any work in conjunction with damages incident to any loss which the adjuster has been contracted to adjust;

(B) Any direct or indirect participation in the reconstruction, repair, or restoration of damaged property that is the subject of a claim adjusted by the adjuster or disclosure of any other activities that may be reasonably construed as a conflict of interest, including a financial interest in any salvage, repair, construction, or restoration of any business entity that obtains business in connection with any claims that the public adjuster has a contract or agreement to adjust; and

(C) Any direct or indirect compensation of value in connection with an insured's specific loss other than compensation from the insured for service as a public adjuster~~.~~, as explicitly permitted by subsection (d) of Code Section 33-23-43.7; and

(11) A prominently displayed notice in 12-point boldface type that states 'WE REPRESENT THE INSURED ONLY.'

~~(b)~~(c) Public adjuster contracts may not contain a contract term that:

(1) Restricts an insured's right to initiate and maintain direct communications with his or her attorney, the insurer, the insurer's adjuster, the insurer's attorney, or any other person regarding settlement of the insured's claim;

(2) Vests the public adjuster with the right to initiate direct communications with the insured's insurer, the insurer's adjuster, or the insurer's attorney regarding settlement of the insured's claim without specific written authorization from the insured;

(3) Allows the public adjuster's percentage fee to be collected when money is due from an insurance company but not paid or that allows a public adjuster to collect the entire fee from the first check issued by an insurance company rather than as a percentage of each check issued by an insurance company;

(4) Requires the insured to authorize an insurance company to issue a check only in the name of the public adjuster; ~~or~~

(5) Precludes or restricts an insured from pursuing any civil remedies relating to his or her claim~~.~~;

(6) Purports to allow the public adjuster to act in multiple capacities; or

(7) Identifies the public adjuster as also being a contractor, appraiser, or other position.

~~(c)~~(d) All public adjuster contracts shall be construed to contain, by operation of law:

(1) A provision granting the insured a right to rescind the contract within three business days after the date the contract was signed, so long as the rescission is in writing and mailed or delivered to the public adjuster at the address stated in the contract within three business days. For purposes of this subsection, rescission of the contract shall be considered delivered or mailed if it is delivered by electronic transmittal to the ~~e-mail~~ email address or facsimile specified in the contract for such communications;

(2) A provision that if the insured exercises the right to rescind the contract, anything of value given by the insured under the contract shall be returned to the insured within 15 business days following the receipt by the public adjuster of the rescission notice; and

(3) A provision requiring that, prior to initiating any contact with the insured's insurer,

the insurer's adjuster, or the insurer's attorney regarding settlement of the insured's claim, a public adjuster must provide the insurer a notification letter signed by the insured confirming that the insured has authorized the public adjuster to communicate directly with the insurer, the insurer's adjuster, or the insurer's attorney on behalf of the insured.

~~(d)~~(e) All public adjuster contracts shall be executed in duplicate to provide an original contract to the public adjuster and an original contract to the insured. The public adjuster's original contract shall be available at all times for inspection without notice by the ~~Commissioner of Insurance~~ department.

(f) No public adjuster shall enter into a contract with an insured and collect a commission as provided by Code Section 33-23-43.3, without having the intent to actually perform services customarily provided by a public adjuster for the insured."

**SECTION 4.**

Said article is further amended by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"33-23-43.3.

(a) Except as provided by subsection (b) of this Code section, an adjuster may receive a commission for service provided under this article consisting of an hourly fee, a flat rate, a percentage of the total amount paid by an insurer to resolve a claim, or another method of compensation. A public adjuster may not charge the insured an unreasonable fee, and the total commission received shall not exceed 33.3 percent of the amount of the insurance settlement of the claim.

(b) An adjuster shall not receive a commission consisting of a percentage of the total amount paid by an insurer to resolve a claim on a claim on which the insurer, not later than 72 hours after the date on which the loss is reported to the insurer, either pays or commits in writing to pay to the insured the policy limit of the insurance policy. A public adjuster is entitled to reasonable compensation from the insured for services provided by such adjuster on behalf of the insured, based on the time spent on a claim that is subject to this Code section and expenses incurred by such adjuster, until the claim is paid or the insured receives a written commitment to pay from the insurer.

(c) Except for the payment of a commission by the insured, all persons paying proceeds of a policy of insurance or making any payment affecting an insured's rights under a policy of insurance shall:

(1) Include the insured as a payee on the payment draft or check; and

(2) Require the written signature and endorsement of the insured on the payment draft or check.

(d) An adjuster shall not accept any payment that violates the provisions of this Code section.

(e) A public adjuster may sign or endorse a payment, draft, or check issued on behalf of an insured if authorized in writing by each insured payee, and only if such written endorsement meets the following criteria:

(1) The authorization limits the public adjuster to endorse the check or payment for deposit only into the public adjuster's escrow or trust account and such authorization

states that the check or payment will be distributed in the percentages or amounts agreed upon in the public adjuster contract;

(2) The authorization requires that the insured be notified of the deposit of funds, and states that any distribution of such funds to the insured or the public adjuster will be accompanied by a detailed breakdown of the funds distributed; and

(3) The authorization form states that such authorization may be revoked at any time by the insured upon written notice of such revocation to the public adjuster.

33-23-43.4.

(a) As a continuing condition of licensure, a public adjuster may, at the Commissioner's discretion, file proof of financial responsibility with respect to transactions with insureds under this chapter in an amount determined by the Commissioner by rule. The financial responsibility shall include the ability to pay sums that the public adjuster is obligated to pay under any judgment against such adjuster by an insured, based on an error, omission, fraud, negligent act, or unfair practice of such adjuster or any person for whose acts such adjuster is legally liable in the transaction of such adjuster's business under this Code section.

(b) In determining the amount of the financial responsibility requirement, the Commissioner shall consider the nature of the obligation, other financial security requirements under this Code section, and financial security requirements adopted for public adjusters in other states. In determining the types of financial responsibility required, the Commissioner may consider a surety bond or a professional liability policy or similar policy or contract of professional liability coverage acceptable to the Commissioner.

(c) The requirements of this Code section are in addition to the bond requirements of Code Section 33-23-6 and relevant rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner.

33-23-43.5.

(a) A public adjuster shall keep a complete record in this state of each of such adjuster's transactions as a public adjuster. The records shall include each of the following:

(1) The name of the insured;

(2) The date, location, and amount of the loss;

(3) A copy of the contract between the public adjuster and the insured;

(4) The name of the insurer and the amount, expiration date, and number of each policy under which the loss is covered;

(5) An itemized statement of the recoveries by the insured from the sources known to the public adjuster;

(6) The total compensation received for the adjustment; and

(7) An itemized statement of disbursements made by the license holder from recoveries received on behalf of the insured.

(b) Records required to be kept under this Code section shall be:

(1) Maintained in this state for at least five years after the termination of a transaction

with the insured; and

(2) Open to examination by the Commissioner.

33-23-43.6.

(a) All funds received as claim proceeds by an adjuster acting as a public adjuster are received and held by such adjuster in a fiduciary capacity. Such adjuster shall not divert or misappropriate fiduciary funds received or held.

(b) An applicant for a license to act as a public adjuster shall, as part of the application, endorse an authorization for disclosure to the Commissioner of all financial records of any funds such adjuster holds and will hold as a fiduciary. The authorization continues in force and effect for as long as such adjuster continues to be licensed under this article.

33-23-43.7.

(a) Each advertisement by an adjuster soliciting or advertising business shall display the adjuster's name and license number as they appear in the records of the Commissioner.

(b) No advertisement soliciting or advertising business may be used by an adjuster unless such solicitation or advertisement has been approved by the Commissioner.

(c) The following statements, made in any public adjuster's advertisement or solicitation, are considered deceptive or misleading:

(1) A statement or representation that invites an insured to submit a claim when such insured does not have covered damage to such insured's property;

(2) A statement or representation that invites an insured to submit a claim by offering monetary or other valuable inducement;

(3) A statement or representation that invites an insured to submit a claim by stating that there is 'no risk' to the insured by submitting such claim; and

(4) A statement or representation, or use of a logo or shield, that implies or could mistakenly be construed to imply that the solicitation was issued or distributed by a governmental agency or is sanctioned or endorsed by a governmental agency.

(d) For purposes of this subsection, the term 'written advertisement' includes only newspapers, magazines, flyers, and bulk mailers. The following disclaimer, which is not required to be printed on standard size business cards, shall be added in bold print and capital letters in typeface no smaller than the typeface of the body of the text to all written advertisements of a public adjuster:

'THIS IS A SOLICITATION FOR BUSINESS. IF YOU HAVE HAD A CLAIM FOR AN INSURED PROPERTY LOSS OR DAMAGE AND YOU ARE SATISFIED WITH THE PAYMENT BY YOUR INSURER, YOU MAY DISREGARD THIS ADVERTISEMENT'.

33-23-43.8.

(a) An adjuster shall not solicit or attempt to solicit a client for employment during the progress of a loss-producing natural disaster occurrence. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'natural disaster' means any natural disaster for which a state of emergency is proclaimed by the Governor.

(b) An adjuster shall not solicit or attempt to solicit business on a loss or a claim in person, by telephone, or in any other manner at any time except between the hours of 8 A.M. and 10 P.M. on a weekday or a Saturday and between noon and 10 P.M. on a Sunday. This subsection shall not prohibit an adjuster from accepting phone calls or personal visits during the prohibited hours from an insured on the insured's initiation.

(c) An adjuster shall not knowingly make any false report to the adjuster's employer or client and shall not divulge to any other person, except as the law may require, any information obtained except at the direction of the employer or the client for whom the information is obtained.

(d) An adjuster shall not permit an unlicensed employee or other representative of the adjuster to in any manner conduct business for which a license is required under this chapter.

(e) An agent shall not render services or perform acts that constitute the practice of law, including the giving of legal advice to any person, in his or her capacity as an adjuster.

(f) A public adjuster shall not solicit or attempt to solicit business, directly or indirectly, or act in any manner on a bodily injury loss covered by a life, health, or accident insurance policy or on any claim for which the client is not an insured under the insurance policy.

(g) An adjuster shall not:

(1) Participate directly or indirectly in the reconstruction, repair, or restoration of damaged property that is the subject of a claim adjusted by such adjuster;

(2) Engage in any other activities that may reasonably be construed as presenting a conflict of interest, including soliciting or accepting any remuneration from, having a financial interest in, or deriving any direct or indirect financial benefit from, any salvage firm, repair firm, construction firm, or other firm that obtains business in connection with any claim the adjuster has a contract or agreement to adjust;

(3) Without the knowledge and consent of the insured in writing, acquire an interest in salvaged property that is the subject of a claim adjusted by such adjuster.

(4) Represent an insured on a claim or charge a fee to an insured while representing the insurance carrier against which such claim is made.

(5) Directly or indirectly solicit employment for an attorney or enter into a contract with an insured for the primary purpose of referring an insured to an attorney without the intent to actually perform the services customarily provided by a licensed public adjuster. This Code section shall not be construed to prohibit an adjuster from recommending a particular attorney to an insured; or

(6) Act on behalf of an attorney during the course of a claim adjustment, through an insured signed attorney representation agreement or other means.

(h) An adjuster shall not engage in misrepresentation to solicit a contract or agreement to adjust a claim.

(i) An adjuster shall not:

(1) Advance money to any potential client or insured; or

(2) Pay, allow, or give, or offer to pay, allow, or give, directly or indirectly, to a person who is not a licensed public adjuster a fee, commission, or other valuable consideration for the referral of an insured to such adjuster for purposes of the insured entering into a

contract with such adjuster or for any related purpose.

(j) An adjuster shall not use any letterhead, advertisement, or other printed matter, or use any other means, to represent that such adjuster is an instrumentality of the federal government, of a state, or of a political subdivision of a state.

(k) A contractor shall not act as a public adjuster or advertise to adjust claims for any property for which the contractor is providing or may provide contracting services, regardless of whether the contractor:

(1) Holds a license under this chapter; or

(2) Is authorized to act on behalf of the insured under a power of attorney or other agreement. However, a contractor may discuss or explain a bid for construction or repair of covered property with a residential property owner who has suffered loss or damage covered by a property insurance policy, or the insurer of such property, if the contractor is doing so for the usual and customary fees applicable to the work to be performed as stated in the contract between the contractor and the insured.

(l) A public adjuster shall not accept a fee, commission, or other valuable consideration of any nature, regardless of form or amount, in exchange for the referral by such adjuster of an insured to any third-party individual or firm, including an attorney, appraiser, umpire, construction company, contractor, or salvage company.

(m) No person who has had his or her license under this title refused or revoked shall be an owner, officer, or director of a business entity, association, or corporation if such entity, association, or corporation holds itself out as a public adjuster, a public adjusting firm, or otherwise represents itself or acts as an association of public adjusters or an association which offers public adjusting services."

**SECTION 5.**

Said article is further amended by revising and renumbering Code Section 33-23-43.2, relating to standard of conduct for public adjusters, as follows:

"~~33-23-43.2.~~ 33-23-43.9.

(a) A public adjuster is obligated, under his or her license, to serve with objectivity and complete loyalty to the interest of his or her client alone and to render to the insured such information, counsel, and service within the public adjuster's knowledge, understanding, and opinion that will best serve the insured's insurance claim needs and interest.

(b) A public adjuster shall faithfully observe all of the terms and provisions of the public adjuster contract as prescribed in Code Section ~~33-23-43.1.~~ 33-23-43.2."

**SECTION 6.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-23-43.10.

(a) The Commissioner may deny an application for a license or suspend or revoke a license issued to any public adjuster on the basis of:

(1) A violation of this article or of any rule adopted by the Commissioner under this article;

(2) A cause that constitutes grounds for denial of an original license;

(3) Misrepresentation or fraud in obtaining a license;
(4) The failure to pass a required license examination;
(5) The misappropriation or conversion of money required to be held in a fiduciary capacity;
(6) Material misrepresentation, with intent to deceive, of the terms of an insurance contract;
(7) Engaging in a fraudulent transaction;
(8) Demonstrating incompetence or untrustworthiness in the conduct of the license holder's affairs under the license, as determined by the Commissioner;
(9) Conviction of a felony by a final judgment in a court of competent jurisdiction; or
(10) Material misrepresentation, with intent to deceive, of the person's status as a public adjuster.

(b) If the department proposes to refuse to issue an original license under this article or to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a license under this article, the rejected applicant or affected licensee is entitled to a notice and hearing in accordance with Chapter 2 of this title."

**SECTION 7.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 1.

HB 254, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/22

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 254. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anavitarte of the 31st

Senator Jones of the 10th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 534. By Representatives Bonner of the 72nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Momtahan of the 17th, Corbett of the 174th and Barton of the 5th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for the offense of promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the offense of reckless stunt driving; to provide for report of conviction of such offenses by courts to the Department of Driver Services; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 10th.

The consent was granted, and HB 534 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 534, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 534. By Representatives Bonner of the 72nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Momtahan of the

17th, Corbett of the 174th and Barton of the 5th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to offenses against public order, so as to provide for the offense of promoting illegal drag racing and laying drags; to provide for punishment; to amend Title 40 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for the offense of reckless stunt driving; to provide for report of conviction of such offenses by courts to the Department of Driver Services; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 10th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 3.

HB 534, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Harper of the 7th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 619. By Representative Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the heritage trust program, so as to authorize the sale of Patrick's Fishing Paradise to a private entity; to provide for a procedure for same; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harper of the 7th.

The consent was granted, and HB 619 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 619, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 619. By Representative Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the heritage trust program, so as to authorize the sale of Patrick's Fishing Paradise to a private entity; to provide for a procedure for same; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harper of the 7th.

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight offered the following substitute to HB 619:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the heritage trust program, so as to authorize the sale of Patrick’s Fishing Paradise to a private entity; to provide for a procedure for same; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

relating to the heritage trust program, is amended by adding a new paragraph to Code Section 12-3-72, relating to definitions, to read as follows:

"(4) 'Private entity' means any natural person, corporation, general partnership, limited liability company, limited partnership, joint venture, business trust, public benefit corporation, nonprofit entity, or other business entity."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended by revising Code Section 12-3-76, relating to use of heritage preserves and state authorized to transfer interest in heritage preserve property to county or local government upon certain conditions, as follows:

"12-3-76.

(a) Heritage preserves shall be held by the state in trust for the benefit of the present and future generations of the people of the State of Georgia. Each heritage preserve shall be put to the designated use or uses which confer the best and most important benefit to the public. Heritage preserves shall not be put to any use other than the dedicated use or uses except pursuant to the following procedure:

(1) A state agency, department, or authority with a direct interest in the use of a heritage preserve must submit in writing a petition to the board that an imperative and unavoidable necessity for such other use exists;

(2) Upon receipt of such petition, the board shall give public hearing thereon in the county or counties in which the heritage preserve is located;

(3) The board shall consider fully all testimony relative to the proposed use and submit a recommendation to the General Assembly; and

(4) The General Assembly may then determine if such use is in the public interest and may by statute approve such other use of the heritage preserve.

(b) The State of Georgia and the Department of Natural Resources may convey fee simple title in a property dedicated as a heritage preserve under Code Section 12-3-75 for good and valuable consideration as determined by the State Properties Commission to a willing county or local government pursuant to the following procedures:

(1) The department shall submit a request in writing to the board to remove the heritage preserve dedication from the property and to convey the property to the county or local government, subject to the grant of a perpetual conservation easement to the State of Georgia and the department that is consistent with the best and most important uses established in the written recommendation and approval of the Governor dedicating the property as a heritage preserve and the conservation values identified by the department, as well as any other restrictions applicable to the property;

(2) The board shall make a determination, after a public hearing, that the removal of the heritage preserve dedication from the property and its conveyance to the county or local government subject to a conservation easement is in the best interest of the State of Georgia;

(3) The conveyance is approved by the General Assembly and the State Properties Commission; and

(4) The department shall file with the Secretary of State and the office of the clerk of the superior court of the county or counties in which the property is located a notice of the removal of the heritage preserve dedication simultaneously with the recordation of the conservation easement in the real property records of the county or counties in which the property is located.

(c) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed so as to give county or local governments the authority to assign their interests in property conveyed pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section to a private ~~individual or~~ entity.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed so as to compel a county or local government to accept conveyance of a heritage preserve, and no conveyance shall take place without the approval of the local governing authority.

(e) In the event that a county, ~~or~~ local government, or private entity that is in receipt of property pursuant to this Code section determines that it is in the best interest of the county, ~~or~~ local government, or private entity, fee simple title to the property may, if approved by the department and the State Properties Commission, revert to the State of Georgia.

(1) The State of Georgia and the Department of Natural Resources may convey fee simple title in the property described in paragraph (2) of this subsection, and only said property, for good and valuable consideration as determined by the State Properties Commission to a willing private entity pursuant to the following procedure:

(A) The department shall submit a request in writing to the board to remove the heritage preserve dedication from the property and to convey the property to the private entity, subject to the grant of a perpetual conservation easement to the State of Georgia and the department that is consistent with the best and most important uses established in the written recommendation and the conservation values identified by the department and approval of the Governor dedicating the property as a heritage preserve, as well as any other restrictions applicable to the property;

(B) The board shall make a determination, after a public hearing, that the removal of the heritage preserve dedication from the property and its conveyance to the private entity, subject to a conservation easement, is in the best interest of the State of Georgia;

(C) The conveyance is approved by the General Assembly and the State Properties Commission; and

(D) The department shall file with the Secretary of State and the office of the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the property is located a notice of the removal of the heritage preserve dedication simultaneously with the recordation of the conservation easement in the real property records of the county in which the property is located.

(2) All that tract of parcel of land lying and being 8.618 acres located in Land Lots 371 and 372 of the 6th Land District of Berrien County, Georgia, described as follows: Begin at a point located at the intersection of the West city limits of the Town of Enigma, GA, and the North right-of-way line of the abandoned Seaboard Coastline Railroad tracts and from said POINT OF BEGINNING run along said city

limits South 05 degrees 45 minutes 59 seconds West for a distance of 200.00 feet to a point located on the South right-of-way line of said tracts; thence run along said South right-of-way line North 84 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds West for a distance of 434.95 feet; thence run North 05 degrees 45 minutes 59 seconds East for a distance of 100 feet to a point located on the center line of said tracks; thence run along said center line North 84 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds West for a distance of 2884.14 feet; thence run North 05 degrees 45 minutes 59 seconds East for a distance of 100 feet to a point located on the North right-of-way line of said tracks; thence run South 84 degrees 14 minutes 01 seconds East along said North right-of-way line for a distance of 3319.09 feet to said POINT OF BEGINNING. Said tract is more particularly described as Tract 13 on that certain plat of survey entitled "Patrick's Fishing Paradise", dated the 22nd day of May, 1989, prepared by R. Bayne Stone for Department of Natural Resources, State of Georgia. Said plat was revised July 11, 1989, and is recorded in Plat Cabinet 1, Slide C-48 in the Clerk's office of Berrien County Superior Court."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| E Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 619, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 458. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Holcomb of the 81st, Gaines of the 117th, Newton of the 123rd and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others, so as to require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members of the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The consent was granted, and HB 458 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 458, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 458. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Holcomb of the 81st, Gaines of the 117th, Newton of the 123rd and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others, so as to require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members of the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of

patients; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 458:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to provide for requirements on certain medical professionals relating to professional boundaries and misconduct; to provide that continuing education requirements include legal ethics and professionalism in the practice of dentistry; to require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members of the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to provide for the refusal, suspension, or revocation of the license of a physician who has committed a sexual assault on a patient; to require the completion of continuing education by physicians relating to sexual misconduct; to require the development and identification of educational resources and materials relating to sexual misconduct and the impacts of trauma for physicians, board members, and board staff; to require medical schools and osteopathic medical schools to provide training to medical students on sexual misconduct; to provide for mandatory reporting by health care providers who have actual knowledge that a physician has committed a sexual assault on a patient; to provide for limited liability; to provide for fines and disciplinary action; to provide for release of investigative records by law enforcement; to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, is amended in Code Section 43-11-46.1, relating to continuing education requirements and waivers for dentists, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(e) On and after January 1, 2022, continuing education requirements for dentists shall include legal ethics and professionalism in the practice of dentistry, which shall include, but shall not be limited to, education and training regarding professional boundaries; unprofessional conduct relating to the commission of acts of sexual intimacy, abuse, misconduct, or exploitation with regard to the practice of dentistry; legislative updates and changes to the laws relating to the practice of dentistry and rules, policies, and advisory opinions and rulings issued by the board; professional conduct and ethics;

proper billing practices; professional liability; and risk management."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 43-34-2, relating to the creation of the Georgia Composite Medical Board, its members, physician assistants advisory committee, and review of qualifications, by revising subsection (g), which is reserved, as follows:

"(g) On and after January 1, 2022, all newly appointed board members shall be required to participate in training and education to support greater understanding of sexual misconduct, sexual boundaries, and impacts of trauma and implicit bias within three months of such appointment. All board members in office as of January 1, 2022, shall be required to participate in such training and education by March 30, 2022. ~~Reserved.~~"

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 43-34-8, relating to the authority of the Georgia Composite Medical Board to refuse license, certificate, or permit or issue discipline, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (a) and a new subsection to read as follows:

"(15.1)(A) Pleaded guilty to committing a sexual assault on a patient; or

(B) Been found guilty by a court of law of committing a sexual assault on a patient."

"(a.2) Upon a finding by the board that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action pursuant to an alleged sexual assault on a patient by a licensee, and incorporates a finding to that effect in its order, summary suspension of a license may be ordered pending proceedings for revocation or other action, which proceeding shall be promptly instituted and determined."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 43-34-11, relating to continuing education requirements for physicians, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(6) On and after January 1, 2022, all physicians shall be required to receive one-time education and training, for a minimum of two hours, regarding professional boundaries and physician sexual misconduct. Such education and training shall include subject matter relating to how to proceed with basic as well as sensitive or intimate examinations and the communication with patients that is required as a component of such examinations. Such education and training shall be established by the board and shall be informed by members of the public, as best possible."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to Article 1, relating to the Georgia Composite Medical Board, to read as follows:

"43-34-14.

No later than January 1, 2022, the board shall develop and identify educational resources and materials for physicians, board members, and board staff to support greater understanding of sexual misconduct, sexual boundaries, and impacts of trauma and implicit bias. Such information shall include resources and materials to help physicians develop better insight into their own behavior and its impacts on others. Resources and materials shall be developed and identified in collaboration with national medical boards associations, national medical associations, state physician health programs, state medical associations, hospital medical staffs, other organized physician groups, and medical schools and training programs."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 43-34-26, relating to license requirement for persons engaged in practice of medicine, qualifications, evaluation program, and examinations, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a)(1)(A) Any person who wishes to obtain the right to practice medicine in this state and who was not, prior to March 16, 1970, registered or licensed to practice medicine, either by the State Board of Medical Examiners or the State Board of Examiners in Osteopathy, shall, before it shall be lawful for him or her to practice medicine in this state, make application to the board through the executive director, upon such forms and in such manner as shall be adopted and prescribed by the board, and shall obtain from the board a license to practice medicine. Any person who practices medicine without first having obtained a license shall be deemed to have violated this article. All applicants for a license to practice medicine or for a renewal of any such license which has been revoked shall furnish the board with evidence of good moral character. Applications from candidates to practice medicine or surgery in any of its branches shall be accompanied by proof that the applicant is a graduate of some legally incorporated medical school or osteopathic medical school.

(B) The board by rule or regulation may establish standards for evaluating, inspecting, and approving any medical school or osteopathic medical school. The evaluation procedure may include consideration of reports from any outside agency having expertise in medical school or osteopathic medical school evaluation; provided, however, that the board shall make the final decision on approval of medical schools and osteopathic medical schools. Nothing contained in this Code section shall prevent the approval of medical schools outside of the United States or the licensing of graduates of medical schools outside of the United States if such schools and their graduates comply with the standards established in this Code section and by rule of the board.

(2) Each medical school or osteopathic medical school in good standing with the board shall have a minimum preliminary educational requirement of the completion of a two-year premedical college course. On and after June 30, 2022, each medical school or osteopathic medical school in good standing with the board shall include

education and training regarding professional boundaries and physician sexual misconduct for its medical students. Such education and training shall include subject matter relating to how to proceed with basic as well as sensitive or intimate examinations and the communication with patients that is required as a component of such examinations.

(3) Graduates of board approved medical schools or osteopathic medical schools and persons who graduated on or before July 1, 1985, from medical schools or osteopathic medical schools which are not approved by the board must complete one year of a postgraduate residency training program. Persons who graduated after July 1, 1985, from medical schools or osteopathic medical schools which are not approved by the board must complete three years of residency, fellowship, or other postgraduate medical training that is approved by the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), or the board to be eligible for a license to practice medicine in this state. Current certification of any applicant by a member board of the American Board of Medical Specialties may be considered by the board as evidence that such applicant's postgraduate medical training has satisfied the requirements of this paragraph. However, before any such person shall be eligible to receive a license to practice medicine in this state, he or she shall furnish the board with satisfactory evidence of attainments and qualifications under this Code section and the rules and regulations of the board. Nothing contained in this Code section shall be construed so as to require a person who has previously passed an examination given by the board for a license to practice medicine in this state to stand another examination.

(4) If the applicant submits proof that he or she has had postgraduate training as required in paragraph (3) of this subsection and if he or she furnishes satisfactory evidence of qualifications under this article and the rules and regulations of the board, he or she shall be eligible to receive a license from the board giving him or her absolute authority to practice medicine in this state.

(5) If the date of graduation from an institution mentioned in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (1) of this subsection is on or before January 1, 1967, no proof of postgraduate training in an approved hospital need be submitted to obtain a license from the board."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to Article 2, relating to medical practice, to read as follows:

"43-34-47.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Health care provider' means:

(A) A physician;

(B) A registered professional nurse or licensed practical nurse licensed as such under Chapter 26 of this title; or

(C) A physician assistant licensed under Article 4 of this chapter.

(2) 'Sexual assault' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 15-24-1.

(b) A health care provider in this state shall report the name of a physician to the board if such health care provider has actual knowledge that such physician has committed sexual assault on a patient. A health care provider shall not be required to duplicate a report if such health care provider has knowledge that such report has been made to the board. A health care provider shall not be required to report a physician to the board under this Code section as a result of professional knowledge obtained in the course of the health care provider-patient relationship when the physician is the patient.

(c) No health care provider required to report a physician to the board under this Code section who in good faith either reports or fails to report shall be subject to civil or criminal liability or discipline for unprofessional conduct for such action or inaction.

(d) Any health care provider required to report a physician to the board under this Code section who knowingly and willfully fails to do so shall be subject to a fine of no less than $1,000.00 or greater than $5,000.00 as determined by such health care provider's respective licensing board and may be subject to other disciplinary action in such respective licensing board's discretion.

(e) Law enforcement officers, when investigating cases of alleged sexual assaults on a patient by a physician, are authorized to send pertinent records on such cases to the board. Such records shall be confidential, not subject to Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50, relating to open records, and shall not be disclosed without the approval of the board."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 43-34A-9, relating to annual report pertaining to patient right to know, as follows:

"43-34A-9.

(a) On January 1 of each year, the board shall compile a report for the Governor and General Assembly containing a statistical and comparative data analysis using information obtained from the physician profiles in addition to other information collected by the board. The board shall not be required to distribute copies of the report to the Governor or members of the General Assembly but shall provide notification of the availability of the report in the manner which it deems to be the most effective and efficient.

(b) The report shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following information:

(1) The number of physicians for which it has created physician profiles;

(2) The specialty board certification of such physicians;

(3) The geographic regions of the primary practices;

(4) The number of physicians participating in the Medicaid program; ~~and~~

(5) The number of physicians carrying any medical malpractice insurance and the specialty and current hospital privileges of the physicians not carrying such insurance and whether such physicians are actively seeing patients; and

(6) The number of physicians on whom the board has conducted investigations for

committing an act of sexual assault pursuant to paragraph (15.1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 43-34-8 or an act of sexual abuse, misconduct, or exploitation of a patient pursuant to paragraph (15) of subsection (a) of Code Section 43-34-8, and the outcome of the investigation which shall include whether the board refused, revoked, or suspended a license, or issued a private or public disciplinary order. In no event shall any identifying information be included in such report for any physician on whom the board conducted an investigation."

**SECTION 9.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 458, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HR 130. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Jones of the 25th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Wade of the 9th and Gilligan of the 24th:

A RESOLUTION ratifying the action of the Board of Community Affairs approving of the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dolezal of the 27th.

The consent was granted, and HR 130 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HR 130, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HR 130. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Jones of the 25th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Wade of the 9th and Gilligan of the 24th:

A RESOLUTION ratifying the action of the Board of Community Affairs approving of the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dolezal of the 27th.

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight offered the following substitute to HR 130:

A RESOLUTION

Ratifying the action of the Board of Community Affairs approving of the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission.

WHEREAS, Code Section 50-8-82 of the O.C.G.A. provides for the creation of metropolitan area planning and development commissions (MAPDCs) in certain areas of this state, and the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) is one such MAPDC; and

WHEREAS, Code Section 50-8-83 of the O.C.G.A. provides that a MAPDC shall be, for its area, a regional commission as defined in and with all the powers, duties, and obligations

of a regional commission as set forth in Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 50 of the O.C.G.A.; and

WHEREAS, subsection (f) of Code Section 50-8-4 of the O.C.G.A. authorizes the Board of Community Affairs to determine and establish, from time to time, the territorial boundaries for the region of operation by each regional development center and, further, provides that any action of the board changing the boundaries of a regional development center shall not become effective until ratified by a joint resolution of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, subsection (d) of Code Section 50-8-93 requires that MAPDCs meet federal comprehensive transportation planning laws, including, but not limited to 23 U.S.C.A. Sections 101 and 134, that require certain land areas to be placed into Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), all of which are conditions precedent to the receipt of federal funding for transportation purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Community Affairs on November 18, 2020, adopted a resolution approving the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission, pending ratification by the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the request for legislative ratification of said incorporation has been submitted to the General Assembly in accordance with subsection (f) of Code Section 50-8-4 of the O.C.G.A., and it is the desire of the General Assembly to ratify and approve such incorporation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the Board of Community Affairs' action to transfer Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission, adopted by said board on November 18, 2020, is hereby ratified and approved, with an effective date of July 1, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Community Affairs is authorized to undertake and carry out all activities necessary to implement this change.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the requisite redistricting of the districts represented by the 15 members at large established in subsection (c) of Code Section 50-8-84 of the O.C.G.A. as a result of this transfer be extended to a period of 90 days following the release of the 2020 United States decennial census, referenced in subsection (c) of Code Section 50-8-84 of the O.C.G.A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the redistricting of the districts represented by the 15 members at large established in subsection (c) of Code Section 50-8-84 of the O.C.G.A. in response to the transfer be completed in conjunction with the redistricting required in subsection (c) of Code Section 50-8-84 of the O.C.G.A. following the release of the 2020 United States decennial census.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HR 130, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 152. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the

110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1A of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions, so as to revise provisions regarding the exemption applicable to certain institutions operating on military installations or bases; to provide for biennial review of institutions rather than programs; to provide for awards of costs and reasonable attorney's fees in favor of the Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission; to provide for alternative review of renewal applications by institutions in good standing with recognized accrediting agencies; to provide for filing a surety bond in the event of a change of ownership of an institution; to provide for the remittal of surety bonds; to provide for assessment of investigation costs incurred by the commission; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The consent was granted, and HB 152 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 152, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 152. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1A of Article 7 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions, so as to revise provisions regarding the exemption applicable to certain institutions operating on military installations or bases; to provide for biennial review of institutions rather than programs; to provide for awards of costs and reasonable attorney's fees in favor of the Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission; to provide for alternative review of renewal applications by institutions in good standing with recognized accrediting agencies; to provide for filing a surety bond in the event of a change of ownership of an institution; to provide for the remittal of surety bonds; to provide for assessment of investigation costs incurred by the commission; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 152, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Jones of the 25th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 174. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Smith of the 18th, Crowe of the 110th, Leverett of the 33rd and others:

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

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 25th.

The consent was granted, and HB 174 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 174, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 174. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Smith of the 18th, Crowe of the 110th, Leverett of the 33rd and others:

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

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 25th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 174, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 163. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hatchett of the 50th, Jones II of the 22nd and Rhett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 163:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, so as to provide for the suspension of statutory speedy trial requirements when compliance with such statutory speedy trial requirements becomes impracticable following a judicial emergency; to provide for applicable circumstances; to provide for requirements; to provide for notice; to provide for intervention by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court; to provide for a sunset date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to judicial emergency, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 38-3-61, relating to declaration of judicial emergency, duration of judicial emergency declaration, and designation of alternative facility in lieu of court, as follows:

"(b) Except as provided in subsection (b) of Code Section 38-3-62, an ~~An~~ order declaring the existence of a judicial emergency shall be limited to an initial duration of

not more than 30 days; provided, however, that the order may be modified or extended for no more than two periods not exceeding 30 days each unless a public health emergency exists as set forth in Code Section 38-3-51, in which case the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia may extend the emergency order for so long as such emergency exists, as declared by the Governor. Any modification or extension of the initial order shall require information regarding the same matters set forth in subsection (a) of this Code section for the issuance of the initial order."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended by revising Code Section 38-3-62, relating to suspension or tolling of deadlines and time schedules in event of judicial emergency, as follows:

38-3-62.

(a) An authorized judicial official in an order declaring a judicial emergency, or in an order modifying or extending a judicial emergency order, is authorized to suspend, toll, extend, or otherwise grant relief from deadlines or other time schedules or filing requirements imposed by otherwise applicable statutes, rules, regulations, or court orders, whether in civil or criminal cases or administrative matters, including, but not limited to:

(1) A statute of limitation;

(2) The time within which to issue a warrant;

(3) The time within which to try a case for which a demand for speedy trial has been filed;

(4) The time within which to hold a commitment hearing;

(5) A deadline or other schedule regarding the detention of a juvenile;

(6) The time within which to return a bill of indictment or an accusation or to bring a matter before a grand jury;

(7) The time within which to file a writ of habeas corpus;

(8) The time within which discovery or any aspect thereof is to be completed;

(9) The time within which to serve a party;

(10) The time within which to appeal or to seek the right to appeal any order, ruling, or other determination; and

(11) Such other legal proceedings as determined to be necessary by the authorized judicial official.

(b)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'statutory speedy trial requirements' means all speedy trial deadlines, time schedules, or filing requirements imposed by Code Section 17-7-170 or 17-7-171.

(2)(A) A chief judge of a Georgia superior court judicial circuit or a chief judge of a Georgia state court may suspend, toll, extend, modify, or otherwise grant relief from statutory speedy trial requirements following a judicial emergency if compliance with such requirements is impracticable, subject to the requirements under subparagraph (B) of this paragraph.

(B) Relief under this subsection shall be authorized if a chief judge certifies that under the totality of the circumstances arising from the preceding judicial

emergency, compliance with statutory speedy trial requirements is impracticable in the applicable county or court following a judicial emergency due to the following factors:

(i) A pending criminal case volume that is substantially above the average pending criminal case volume at the end of each of the three full calendar years preceding the judicial emergency;

(ii) An annualized criminal case clearance rate in the current calendar year that is substantially below the average criminal case clearance rate for each of the three full calendar years preceding the judicial emergency;

(iii) The number of speedy trial demands pending within one month of the date of certification;

(iv) The number of jury trials held during the last full term of court;

(v) Ongoing space limitations or other health or safety concerns regarding the use of the facilities available to conduct criminal trials and related activities;

(vi) The limited availability of judges, courtroom personnel, prosecutors, public defenders, expert witnesses, forensic analysis, law enforcement officers, or other relevant persons;

(vii) The extent of efforts made by prosecuting attorneys and the court to reduce the number of criminal defendants held in custody awaiting trial; and

(viii) Other relevant facts that justify ongoing relief from statutory speedy trial requirements, if any.

(3) An order granting relief under this subsection shall be accompanied by a certification that compliance with statutory speedy trial requirements is impracticable in the applicable county or court. Each time a chief judge issues an order granting relief under this subsection, he or she shall:

(A) Certify that compliance with statutory speedy trial requirements is impracticable in the applicable county or court; or

(B) Attach such certification provided by either:

(i) A majority of the superior court judges in his or her judicial circuit pursuant to paragraph (6) of this subsection; or

(ii) A majority of the state court judges in his or her county pursuant to paragraph (8) of this subsection.

(4) Each certification issued pursuant to paragraph (3) of this subsection shall include the following:

(A) Supporting statistical data and findings of fact to justify relief under paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(B) A plan to resolve cases in which a statutory speedy trial demand has been filed as expeditiously as possible. The plan shall establish an order of priority in which such cases will be called for trial, giving highest priority to such cases of defendants who have been held in custody for the longest time as a result of the charges in the case. The plan shall also state the number of trial weeks scheduled for each judge in the applicable county or court during the period of relief granted under this subsection.

(5) A chief judge of a superior court judicial circuit acting under this subsection:

(A) May act independently of any emergency declared by the Governor;

(B) May grant relief from statutory speedy trial requirements in a superior court for a county in his or her judicial circuit;

(C) May act in his or her own discretion; and

(D) Shall act upon the request of a majority of the active superior court judges in his or her judicial circuit pursuant to paragraph (6) of this subsection.

(6) A chief judge of a superior court judicial circuit shall grant relief from speedy trial requirements in a superior court for a county in his or her judicial circuit if such action is requested by a majority of the active superior court judges in his or her judicial circuit. Any such request shall be in writing and be accompanied by the certification required in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(7) A chief judge of a state court acting under this subsection:

(A) May act independently of any emergency declared by the Governor;

(B) May grant relief from statutory speedy trial requirements in his or her state court;

(C) May act in his or her own discretion; and

(D) Shall act upon the request of a majority of the active state court judges in his or her county pursuant to paragraph (8) of this subsection.

(8) A chief judge of a state court shall grant relief from speedy trial requirements in his or her state court if such action is requested by a majority of the active state court judges in his or her county. Any such request shall be in writing and be accompanied by the certification required in paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(9) Each period of relief granted under this subsection:

(A) Shall not exceed a total of eight months; and

(B) Shall end on the last day of a term of court.

(10) Each time a chief judge issues an order granting relief under this subsection, he or she shall provide notice of such action to judicial officials and the public in the same manner provided in Code Section 38-3-63, except that such notice shall also include the certification required under paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(11) The Chief Justice of the Georgia Supreme Court may, by order and in his or her sole discretion, reinstate any statutory speedy trial requirement subject to an order granting relief under this subsection. The Chief Justice shall provide notice of such action to judicial officials and the public in the same manner provided in Code Section 38-3-63. If the Chief Justice takes such action, a chief judge shall not grant subsequent relief from statutory speedy trial requirements in the applicable county or court following the same judicial emergency unless subsequent relief is reauthorized by the Chief Justice.

(12) Nothing in this subsection shall relieve the state of its constitutional obligation to provide for a speedy and public criminal trial.

(13) This subsection shall be in effect until June 30, 2023, and no order granting relief under this subsection shall be issued after such date."

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Strickland of the 17th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 163.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 2; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 163.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 238. By Senator Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions, so as to revise provisions relating to the enactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; to clarify the portions of the Code which have the effect of law; to clarify the matter included in the Code that does not have the effect of law; to amend Chapter 9 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Code Revision Commission, so as to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to state content; to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to

supplementary content; to revise a provision relating to copyright of the Code; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 238:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions, so as to revise provisions relating to the enactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; to clarify the portions of the Code which have the effect of law; to clarify the matter included in the Code that does not have the effect of law; to amend Chapter 9 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Code Revision Commission, so as to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to state content; to clarify the oversight of the commission with respect to supplementary content; to revise a provision relating to copyright of the Code; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions, is amended by revising Code Section 1-1-1, relating to enactment of the Code, as follows:

"1-1-1.

(a) The statutory portion of the codification of Georgia laws prepared by the Code Revision Commission and the Michie Company pursuant to a contract entered into on June 19, 1978, is enacted and shall have the effect of statutes enacted by the General Assembly of Georgia. The statutory portion and numbering and arrangement of such codification, along with supplementary content determined to be useful to users, ~~shall be merged with annotations, captions, catchlines, history lines, editorial notes, cross-references, indices, title and chapter analyses, and other materials pursuant to the contract and~~ shall be published by ~~authority of~~ the state ~~pursuant to such contract~~ and when so published shall be known and may be cited as the 'Official Code of Georgia Annotated.'

(b) The following matter contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, including all supplements and revised volumes thereof, shall be considered enacted by the General Assembly:

(1) Statutory text; and

(2) Arrangement and numbering system, including, but not limited to, title, chapter, article, part, subpart, Code section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, division, and subdivision numbers and designations.

(c) The following matter contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, including all supplements and revised volumes thereof, shall not be considered enacted by the General Assembly, shall bear no additional weight or effect, and shall not be construed to have the imprimatur of the General Assembly by virtue of such inclusion in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated:

(1) Case annotations;

(2) Research references, including, but not limited to:

(A) Law reviews;

(B) Collateral references to secondary sources;

(C) Opinions of the Georgia Attorney General;

(D) Advisory opinions of the State Bar; and

(E) Cross-references;

(3) Captions;

(4) Catchlines;

(5) Headings;

(6) Title and chapter analyses;

(7) History lines;

(8) Repeal lines;

(9) Editorial notes;

(10) Amendment notes;

(11) Code Commission notes;

(12) Effective date notes;

(13) Tables;

(14) User's Guide;

(15) General Index;

(16) Volume indices;

(17) Indices related to local and special laws;

(18) Conversion tables;

(19) Rules and regulations of state agencies, departments, boards, commissions, or other entities;

(20) Material in brackets or parentheses and editorial, delayed effective date, effect of amendment, or other similar notes within the text of a Code section which has been added by the publisher in order to explain or to prevent a misapprehension concerning the contents of the Code section; and

(21) Any other matter published in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated which is not included in subsection (b) of this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 1-1-7, relating to notes and catchlines of Code sections not part of law, as follows:

"1-1-7.

~~Unless otherwise provided in this Code, the descriptive headings or catchlines immediately preceding or within the text of the individual Code sections of this Code,~~

~~except the Code section numbers included in the headings or catchlines immediately preceding the text of the Code sections, and title and chapter analyses do not constitute part of the law and shall in no manner limit or expand the construction of any Code section. All historical citations, title and chapter analyses, and notes set out in this Code are given for the purpose of convenient reference and do not constitute part of the law.~~ Reserved."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 1-1-8, relating to references to state law or this Code, as follows:

"1-1-8.

(a) Unless otherwise indicated in the context, references in this Code to titles, chapters, articles, parts, subparts, or Code sections shall mean titles, chapters, articles, parts, subparts, or Code sections of this Code.

(b) Unless there is an expressed intention to the contrary, any reference in this Code or in any law of this state to another provision of this Code or law of this state shall mean and be construed to refer to such other provision or law as it now or hereafter exists.

(c) Any reference in any local or special law of this state to any Act or resolution of the General Assembly or to any title, chapter, section, or other portion of any prior code of this state shall be construed to be a reference to the appropriate title, chapter, article, part, subpart, Code section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, division, or subdivision of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(d) Unless otherwise indicated by the context in which it is used, any citation in any public or private document, writing, or other instrument to a law of the State of Georgia which has been codified in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated shall be construed to be a reference to such law as contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(e) Any reference in any Act of the General Assembly or in any other public or private document, writing, or other instrument to 'O.C.G.A.' shall mean and refer to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the State of Georgia. The Official Code of Georgia Annotated published under authority of the State of Georgia may be cited or referred to as 'O.C.G.A.'

(f) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to mean that any matter contained in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated has any force of law or imprimatur of the State of Georgia except as provided for in Code Section 1-1-1."

**SECTION 4.**

Chapter 9 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Code Revision Commission, is amended by revising Code Section 28-9-3, relating to the powers and duties of the commission generally, as follows:

"28-9-3.

The commission is authorized:

(1) To select and contract with a publisher to conduct a revision, codification, or recodification of the Code and laws of Georgia, provided that any such contract

requiring the expenditure of state funds shall be contingent upon the General Assembly appropriating the necessary funds therefor;
(2) To formulate with the publisher all the details associated with the codification or recodification of the Code and laws of Georgia;
(3) To take such action as is necessary to effectuate Code revision;
(4) To carry out the functions required of it in any contract entered into between the commission and the publisher;
(5) To negotiate and establish the price at which the Code or any volume, replacement volume, pocket part, index, or related material may be sold to governmental or private purchasers, or both;
(6) To determine when volumes of the Code may be revised and republished;
(7) To adopt and implement a system for arranging, numbering, and designating material within the Code;
(8) To adopt rules of style and grammar for use in the Code;
(9) To prepare, or provide for the preparation of, and to include in the Code such annotations, historical notes, research references, notes on law review articles, cross-references, summaries of the opinions of the Attorney General of Georgia, editor's notes, Code Revision Commission notes, comments, commentaries, rules and regulations, indexes, tables, and other material as the commission determines to be useful to users of the Code; provided, however, that such supplementary matter included in the Code shall bear no additional weight or effect and shall not be construed to have the imprimatur of the General Assembly by virtue of its inclusion in the Code;
(10) To provide for the publication of annotated or unannotated versions of the Code, or both;
(11) To provide for the publication of volumes containing the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, and an index of local and special laws, general laws of local application, and home rule ordinances;
(12) To review, approve, or disapprove the work of the publisher in preparing, supplementing, indexing, or revising state content included in the Code or any volume, pocket part, or portion thereof; provided, however, that the commission shall have no oversight of the work of the publisher in preparing, supplementing, indexing, or revising supplementary content included by the publisher in accordance with the contract between the publisher and the commission;
(13) To grant exclusive or nonexclusive publication and sales rights to the Code or portions thereof to the publisher;
(14) To grant rights to governmental agencies and others to reprint and distribute portions or excerpts of the Code;
(15) To ~~register the copyright claim in all materials in the Code and any supplements thereto, to protect, enforce, and preserve all claims in such materials, to bring and defend actions in any court in connection therewith, and to~~ negotiate and grant licenses or rights, on behalf of the state, to use such material upon such terms and conditions as the commission shall determine to be in the best interest of the state;
(16) To seek the advice and assistance of members and committees of the State Bar of

Georgia, the law schools of the state, the Attorney General or members of his staff, state and local public officials and employees, and others with expertise or interest in the laws of Georgia;

(17) To provide for the preparation and introduction of one or more bills to revise, modernize, and correct errors or omissions in the Code or the laws of Georgia or to repeal portions of the Code or laws which have become obsolete, have been declared to be unconstitutional, or have been preempted or superseded by subsequent state or federal laws;

(18) To provide for procedures for the implementation or execution of its powers and duties; and

(19) To take such other action or exercise such additional powers as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this chapter, the duties and powers of the commission, or any contract entered into under this chapter."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 28-9-5, relating to publication of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, authority to make corrections and editorial changes, effect of changes, treatment of multiple amendments, preparation and introduction of legislation reenacting and correcting Code, and effect, as follows:

"28-9-5.

(a) The Code Revision Commission shall provide for the publication of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and any pocket parts, supplements, revised volumes, or recodifications thereof. In compiling, editing, arranging, and preparing the Acts and resolutions of the General Assembly for such publication and without altering the sense, meaning, or effect of such Acts and resolutions, the commission is authorized to take any of the following actions with respect to statutory text, arrangement, and numbering:

(1) Correct the spelling of words;

(2) Change capitalization for the purpose of uniformity;

(3) Correct manifest typographical and grammatical errors;

(4) Substitute the proper Code section number, chapter number, or other number or designation for the terms 'this Act,' 'the preceding Code section,' and similar words or phrases;

(5) Renumber, redesignate, and rearrange chapters, articles, parts, subparts, Code sections, or any combination or portion thereof;

(6) Change cross-reference numbers to agree with renumbered chapters, Code sections, or portions of the Code;

(7) Substitute the proper calendar date for 'the effective date of this chapter' and other phrases of similar import;

(8) Strike out figures if they are merely a repetition of written words or vice versa, or substitute figures for written words or vice versa for the purpose of uniformity;

(9) Correct manifest errors in references to laws;

(10) Correct inaccurate references to the titles of officers, the names of departments or other agencies of the state, local governments, or the federal government, and the short

titles of other laws and make such other name changes as are necessary to be consistent with the laws currently in effect;

(11) Rearrange definitions in alphabetical order;

(12) Insert or delete hyphens in words so as to follow correct grammatical usage;

(13) Change numerals or symbols to words or vice versa for purposes of uniformity and style;

(14) Change nouns from the singular to the plural or vice versa for purposes of style and grammar; and

(15) Change punctuation for purposes of uniformity and consistency of style.

Any change or correction made by the Code Revision Commission pursuant to its authority under this subsection shall not become the law of the State of Georgia if such change or correction results in an alteration of the meaning, sense, or effect of the Acts and resolutions of the General Assembly, even though such change or correction may have been included in a pocket part, supplement, or revised volume of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated which has been reenacted by a bill authorized by subsection (c) of this Code section.

(b) For purposes of publishing volumes, replacement volumes, and supplements to the Official Code of Georgia Annotated pursuant to this chapter: legislation enacted at the same session of the General Assembly and amending the same statutory provision shall be considered in pari materia, and full effect shall be given to each if that is possible; Acts enacted during the same session shall be treated as conflicting with each other only to the extent that they cannot be given effect simultaneously; in the event of such a conflict, the latest enactment, as determined by the order in which bills became Acts with or without the approval of the Governor, shall control to the extent of the conflict unless the latest enactment contains a provision expressly ceding control in such an event; and language carried forward unchanged in one amendatory Act shall not be read as conflicting with changed language contained in another Act passed during the same session.

(c) The Code Revision Commission shall prepare and have introduced at each regular session of the General Assembly one or more bills to reenact and make corrections in the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, portions thereof, and the laws as contained in the Code and any pocket part, supplements, and revised volumes thereof. Except as otherwise provided by general law, such reenactment of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated shall have the effect of adopting and giving force and effect of law to all the statutory text and numbering as contained in such volumes, pocket parts, and supplements, including but not limited to provisions as published therein in accordance with subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section."

**SECTION 6.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Strickland of the 17th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 238.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 238.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 59. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 59:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for direct allocation of appropriated funds to local charter schools by the State Board of Education; to provide an additional opportunity for existing charter schools to elect to participate in a health insurance plan for teachers and employees; to provide that certain employees of state charter schools shall be included in the definition of "public school employee" for purposes of the health insurance plan for public school employees; to provide for the allocation and distribution of federal funds by local school systems to local charter schools; to require local boards of education to provide local charter schools with educational facilities; to provide for multiple effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-165.1, relating to charter system earnings for each full-time equivalent student and use of funds, as follows:

"20-2-165.1.

In addition to the amounts earned by a charter system or a local charter school pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-161, a charter system or a local charter school shall earn 3.785 percent of the base amount established pursuant to subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-161 for each full-time equivalent student in each school within the charter system or each full-time equivalent student within the local charter school; provided, however, that no individual charter system or local charter school shall receive more than $4.5 million in a fiscal year. The State Board of Education shall directly allocate the amount of appropriated funds calculated pursuant to this Code section to each local charter school. Funds appropriated pursuant to this Code section shall be used in accordance with recommendations of the school level governing body established by the charter or to advance student achievement goals and school level governance training objectives pursuant to the charter."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-880, relating to definitions regarding health insurance plan for public school teachers, by revising paragraph (4) as follows:

"(4) 'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' mean and include any person employed not less than half time in a professionally certificated capacity or position in the public school systems of this state. The terms also mean and include ~~'Public school~~

~~teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' also mean~~ librarians and other personnel employed not less than 30 hours per week by regional and county libraries~~.~~; ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' also mean~~ personnel employed by the high school program of Georgia Military College~~.~~; and ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee' also mean~~ any professionally certificated person who has acquired ten years or more of creditable service and who is being paid retirement benefits by the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, Chapter 3 of Title 47, or by any other public school teacher retirement system in this state. Such terms shall ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee'~~ also mean and include any person employed not less than half time and compensated in a professionally certificated capacity or position in a charter school in this state established pursuant to either Article 31 or Article 31A of this chapter if such charter school elects to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart upon initial approval of its charter or, if such charter school is an existing charter school, ~~elects~~ upon renewal of its charter, upon notice by the health insurance plan provided in this part, or upon the expiration of its current health care plan ~~or by no later than December 31, 2009, to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart~~. Such terms ~~'Public school teacher,' 'teacher,' and 'employee'~~ shall not be deemed to include any emergency or temporary employee. Notwithstanding this definition or any other provision of this subpart, the board may, by regulation, make available to employees who work 17 1/2 hours or more per week such benefits as are required to be made available to such employees by regulations of the United States Internal Revenue Service or any other federal authority."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-910, relating to definitions regarding health insurance plan for public school employees, by revising paragraph (3) as follows:

"(3) 'Public school employee' means an 'employee' as defined in paragraph (20) of Code Section 47-4-2. Such term ~~'Public school employee'~~ also means and includes classroom aides, paraprofessionals, and noncertified administrative and clerical personnel. It is specifically provided, however, that ~~the~~ such term ~~'public school employee'~~ shall not include any emergency or temporary employee or any other employee who works in a position otherwise covered by such term less than 60 percent of the time required to carry out the duties of such position. Such term also means and includes ~~'Public school employee' also means~~ any person, other than an employee in a professionally certificated capacity or position, employed not less than half time and compensated in a charter school in this state established pursuant to either Article 31 or Article 31A of ~~Chapter 2 of Title 20~~ this chapter if such charter school elects to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart upon initial approval of its charter or, if such charter school is an existing charter school, ~~elects~~ upon renewal of its charter, upon notice by the health insurance plan provided in this part, or upon the expiration of its current health care plan ~~to participate in the health insurance plan established pursuant to this subpart~~. Notwithstanding this definition or

any other provision of this subpart, the board may, by regulation, make available to employees who work 17 1/2 hours or more per week such benefits as are required to be made available to such employees by regulations of the United States Internal Revenue Service or any other federal authority."

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-2068.1, relating to charter school funding, by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) In addition to the earnings set out in subsection (b) of this Code section, local revenue shall be allocated to a local charter school on the same basis as for any local school in the local school system. In the case of a start-up charter school, local revenue earnings shall be calculated as follows:

(1) Determine the total amount of state and local five mill share funds earned by students enrolled in the local start-up charter school as calculated by the Quality Basic Education Formula pursuant to Part 4 of Article 6 of this chapter including any funds for psychologists and school social workers but excluding 5 percent of system-wide funds for central administration and excluding any categorical grants not applicable to the charter school;

(2) Determine the total amount of state and local five mill share funds earned by all students in the public schools of the local school system, including any charter schools that receive local revenue, as calculated by the Quality Basic Education Formula but excluding categorical grants and other non-QBE formula grants;

(3) Divide the amount obtained in paragraph (1) of this subsection by the amount obtained in paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(4) Multiply the quotient obtained in paragraph (3) of this subsection by the school system's local revenue.

The product obtained in paragraph (4) of this subsection shall be the amount of local funds to be distributed to the local start-up charter school by the local board; provided, however, that nothing in this subsection shall preclude a charter petitioner and a local board of education from specifying in the charter a greater amount of local funds to be provided by the local board to the local start-up charter school if agreed upon by all parties to the charter. Local funds so earned shall be distributed to the local start-up charter school by the local board. Where feasible and where services are provided, funds for construction projects shall also be distributed to the local start-up charter school as earned. In all other fiscal matters, including applicable federal allotments, the local board shall treat the local start-up charter school no less favorably than other local schools located within the applicable school system and shall calculate and distribute the funding for the start-up charter school on the basis of its actual or projected enrollment in the current school year according to an enrollment counting procedure or projection method stipulated in the terms of the charter. ~~The Department of Education shall implement procedures that ensure that each local charter school receives from its local school system the~~ The local school system shall distribute to each local charter school the proportionate amount of federal funds for which such local charter school is eligible under each federal

program, including, but not limited to, funds earned pursuant to Title I, Title II, and Title III of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act and pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act~~. The local school system shall distribute funds to a local start-up charter school~~; provided, however, that ~~by agreement between the local school system and the local start-up charter school, the proportionate amount of federal funds for which the local start-up charter school is eligible may be provided through the provision of in-kind services by the local school system~~ a local charter school and a local board of education may mutually collaborate and agree upon specific ways for some or all of the charter school's proportionate amount of federal funds to be provided by the local school system through in-kind services, with the terms of such mutual agreement to be included in the charter. Local charter schools shall use any federal funds received pursuant to this subsection for the purposes of the federal program for which they were earned."

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-2068.2, relating to facilities grants for charter schools, purposes for which grants may be used, upkeep of charter school property, and availability of unused facilities, by revising subsection (h) as follows:

"(h)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'unused facilities' means real property of a local board of education, including educational facilities, as defined in Code Section 20-2-260, which have not been used by the local board of education for the previous two years and which are not included in the local school system's five-year educational facilities plan.

(2) Each local board of education shall make its unused facilities available to local charter schools. The terms of ~~the~~ a local charter school's use of ~~such~~ a facility ~~by the charter school~~ owned by a local board of education shall be subject to negotiation between the local board and the local charter school and shall be memorialized as a separate agreement. A local charter school that is allowed to use such a facility under such an agreement shall not sell or dispose of any interest in such property without the written permission of the local board. A local charter school may not be charged a rental or leasing fee for the existing facility or for property normally used by the public school which became the local charter school. A local charter school that receives property from a local board may not sell or dispose of such property without the written permission of the local board.

(3) Prior to denying the use by a local charter school of an unused facility, the local charter school shall have the right to a hearing before the local board of education in accordance with Code Section 20-2-1160, including the right to appeal an adverse local board decision."

**SECTION 6.**

(a) This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of this section.

(b) Code Section 20-2-165.1, as amended by this Act, shall become effective on July 1,

2022.

**SECTION 7.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Albers of the 56th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 59 as amended by the following amendment:

Senator Albers of the 56th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the House Committee on Education substitute to SB 59 (LC 49 0544S) by inserting after* "so as" *on line 2* "to prohibit the waiver of the early intervention program requirements in local school system flexibility contracts;"

*By inserting after* "public school employees;" *on line 9* "to require that new and renewed charters for charter schools and charter systems shall be subject to early intervention program requirements;"

*By inserting between lines 14 and 15 the following:*

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-82, effective July 1, 2021, relating to contract terms for local school systems requesting flexibility, as follows:

"(e) The state board shall be authorized to approve a waiver or variance request of specifically identified state rules, regulations, policies, and procedures or provisions of this chapter upon the inclusion of such request in the local school system's proposed contract and in accordance with subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-84. The goal for each waiver and variance shall be improvement of student performance. The state board shall not be authorized to waive or approve variances on any federal, state, and local rules, regulations, court orders, and statutes relating to civil rights; insurance; the protection of the physical health and safety of school students, employees, and visitors; conflicting interest transactions; the prevention of unlawful conduct; any laws relating to unlawful conduct in or near a public school; the early intervention program provided for in Code Section 20-2-153; any reporting requirements pursuant to Code Section 20-2-320 or Chapter 14 of this title; the requirements of Code Section 20-2-210; the requirements of Code Section 20-2-211.1; or the requirements in subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-327. A local school system that has received a waiver or variance shall remain subject to the provisions of Part 3 of Article 2 of Chapter 14 of this title, the requirement that it shall not charge tuition or fees to its students except as may be authorized for local boards by Code Section 20-2-133, and shall remain open to enrollment in the same manner as before the waiver request."

*By inserting between lines 81 and 82 the following:*

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 20-2-2065, relating to waiver of provisions of this title, requirements for operating, and control and management of schools under the Charter Schools Act of 1988, by revising paragraphs (13) and (14) of subsection (b) and adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(13) Subject to the provisions of Code Section 20-2-211.1 relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks; ~~and~~

(14) Subject to the provisions of subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-327 relating to individual graduation plans; and

(15) Subject to the provisions of Code Section 20-2-153 relating to the early intervention program."

*By redesignating Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 on lines 15, 32, 60, 82, 132, 156 and 161 as subsections 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9 respectively.*

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 40, nays 11; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 59 as amended by the Senate.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The consent was granted, and HB 409 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 409, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The Senate Committee on Government Oversight offered the following substitute to HB 409:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for

state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, is amended by revising Code Section 45-15-70, relating to Governor authorized to provide counsel for public officials and agencies and fees and costs to be paid by state, as follows:

"45-15-70.

~~(a)~~ Except as provided for in Code Section 45-15-71:

(1) When any action or proceeding is filed in any court of this state, in any federal court, or with any professional licensing board, disciplinary board or commission, or other similar body, which action or proceeding is against a public officer, public official, a state board or bureau, or against any member of such board or bureau and which action or proceeding seeks relief against such officer, official, board, or bureau in the administration of his, her, or its duties, and when the state compensates or appropriates or allocates moneys to such officer, official, board, or bureau which is used in the administration of his, her, or its duties, and this shall include county registrars, and when no regular counsel is provided within a reasonable time for such officer, official, board, bureau, or county registrar by the Attorney General, then the Governor may direct the Attorney General to provide such counsel. In the event the Attorney General refuses to provide such counsel within a reasonable time after having been directed by the Governor to do so, the Governor is authorized to designate legal counsel in such case for such officer, official, board, or bureau, or any member of such board or bureau, or county registrar~~.~~; and

~~(b)~~(2) Whenever the Governor designates counsel in any action specified in ~~subsection (a)~~ paragraph (1) of this Code section, any fees or expenses paid to or on account of such counsel and any court costs may be paid by the state."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"45-15-71.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'defendant judge' means a Justice of the Supreme Court, judge of the Court of Appeals, judge of the Georgia State-wide Business Court, or judge of the superior court against whom an action or proceeding has been filed.

(b)(1) There is created a fund to be known as the 'Judicial Legal Defense Fund' to provide state-funded legal representation, including, but not limited to, legal costs and

attorney's fees, for defendant judges in actions or proceedings in which such legal representation is authorized under this Code section by the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission and the Governor.

(2) The Judicial Legal Defense Fund shall be administered by the director of the Office of Planning and Budget and shall be funded by disbursements made through the Governor's Emergency Fund as approved by the Governor.

(c)(1) There is created a body to be known as the 'Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission.'

(2) The commission shall be governed by five members who shall be active Justices of the Supreme Court or judges of the Court of Appeals, Georgia State-wide Business Court, or superior court who shall be appointed, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, as follows:

(A) One member shall be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court;

(B) One member shall be appointed by the Governor;

(C) One member shall be appointed by the President of the Senate;

(D) One member shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

(E) One member shall be appointed by The Council of Superior Court Judges of Georgia.

(3) Members appointed to the commission shall serve a two-year term from the date of their appointment and may serve consecutive terms.

(4) All successors to appointed members shall be appointed in the same manner as initial appointments. Vacancies in office of appointed members shall be filled in the same manner as initial appointments. An appointment to fill a vacancy shall be for a new term of appointment.

(5) The commission shall elect a chairperson, a vice chairperson, a secretary, and other officers as it deems necessary. The members shall not be compensated for their services but they shall be reimbursed in an amount equal to the per diem received by the General Assembly for each day or portion thereof spent in serving as members of the commission. They shall be paid their necessary traveling expenses while engaged in the business of the commission. Reimbursements or expenses made to members shall be from appropriations made to the Governor's Emergency Fund.

(6) The vote of at least a majority of the members present at any meeting is necessary for any action to be taken by the commission. No vacancy in the membership of the commission shall impair the commission's ability to perform its duties.

(7) Meetings of the members of the commission shall be held at the call of the chairperson, or whenever any two members so request.

(8) The executive director of The Council of Superior Court Judges of Georgia shall serve as staff to the commission.

(d) It shall be the purpose of the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission to:

(1) Evaluate requests from defendant judges for representation through the fund in an action or proceeding. The commission shall endorse such request and representation if:

(A) The Attorney General has declined to represent the defendant judge in such action or proceeding;

(B) The financial liability for such representation is not covered by any insurance policy maintained by the Department of Administrative Services; and

(C) The commission determines that such action or proceeding is seeking relief against such defendant judge for actions taken pursuant to, or the nonperformance of actions required by, such defendant judge's official duties and that such representation is consistent with the purposes of the fund; and

(2) With the assistance of the State Bar of Georgia maintain a list of attorneys who are members in good standing with the State Bar of Georgia and who have offered themselves to provide legal representation for judges through the fund; provided, however, that no attorney shall be included on such list of attorneys without the approval of the Governor and each attorney on such list shall be maintained on such list only at the pleasure of the Governor.

(e) After receiving the service of a summons and complaint upon himself or herself for any action or proceeding filed in any court of this state, a defendant judge having a reasonable belief that such summons and complaint is seeking relief against such defendant judge for actions taken pursuant to, or for the nonperformance of actions required by, such defendant judge's official duties shall have 15 days after service of such summons and complaint to file notice with the court of such belief. The court shall accept such notice and, unless the judge presiding over the case has a reasonable basis for believing that such summons and complaint is not seeking relief against the defendant judge for actions taken pursuant to, or for the nonperformance of actions required by, such defendant judge's official duties, such defendant judge shall file his or her answer within 45 days after the filing of such notice.

(f) After receiving the service of a summons and complaint upon himself or herself for any action or proceeding filed in any court of this state or in any federal court, a defendant judge who has a reasonable belief that such summons and complaint is seeking relief against such defendant judge for actions taken pursuant to, or for the nonperformance of actions required by, such defendant judge's official duties and who desires state-funded representation shall:

(1) Within three days after service of such summons and complaint, file a written request for representation for such action or proceeding with the Attorney General with a copy of such written request sent to the Department of Administrative Services. The Attorney General may render such representation, or the Department of Administrative Services may provide for such representation, if the Attorney General determines such representation to be in the public interest and that such representation would not violate any legal principles, including, but not limited to, a legal conflict or if the Department of Administrative Services determines that such representation may be provided for under an insurance policy maintained by the department, respectively. The Attorney General and the Department of Administrative Services shall make such determination within ten days of receiving such written request; and

(2)(A) If the Attorney General determines that he or she will not provide

representation for such defendant judge and if the Department of Administrative Services determines such representation is not covered by an insurance policy maintained by the department, such defendant judge shall file a request with the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission for the appointment of representation through the fund. Such request shall be in writing and shall include:

(i) A copy of the complaint seeking relief against such defendant judge for actions taken pursuant to, or for the nonperformance of actions required by, such defendant judge's official duties; and

(ii) A statement showing why such defendant judge is entitled to representation provided for by the Judicial Legal Defense Fund.

(B) Within five days of receiving such request, the commission shall evaluate the request pursuant to subsection (d) of this Code section and determine whether such request shall receive its endorsement. If the commission determines that such request shall receive its endorsement by a majority or tied vote of the commission, the defendant judge shall select an attorney from the list maintained pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of this Code section and the commission shall secure such attorney's agreement to provide any approved representation of such defendant judge through the fund and such attorney's estimated budget for such representation as calculated pursuant to subsection (g) of this Code section. The commission shall then forward the defendant judge's request, the commission's endorsement, the name of the selected attorney, and such attorney's estimated budget to the Governor.

(C) Within five days of receiving such information from the commission, the Governor shall evaluate the endorsement of the commission and related information. If the Governor concurs with such endorsement, the selected attorney, and such attorney's estimated budget, the Governor shall authorize disbursements to the fund for such representation.

(g)(1) An attorney selected by a defendant judge pursuant to subparagraph (f)(2)(B) of this Code section shall submit an estimated budget for the representation of the defendant judge to the commission within three days of such attorney's selection. Such estimated budget shall be based on the general rate of pay established by the Department of Administrative Services for attorneys retained when the Attorney General has a conflict of interest and the time that such attorney reasonably believes will be required to provide such representation.

(2) In the event that the expense of representation of such defendant judge exceeds the estimated budget provided, such attorney shall submit to the commission an amended estimated budget. Such amended estimated budget shall provide a list of services and expenses to date and the estimated cost of continued representation. Within five days of receipt of such amended estimated budget, if the commission concurs with the amended estimated budget, the commission shall forward the amended estimated budget to the Governor. If the Governor concurs with such budget, the Governor shall authorize additional disbursements to the fund for such continued representation.

(3) Upon the final disposition of the underlying action or proceeding against such

defendant judge, such attorney shall submit a final accounting of the cost of representation. Any funds received by such attorney in excess of the final expense shall be returned to the fund with notice to the commission.

(4) In the event that an attorney providing representation to a defendant judge pursuant to this Code section is no longer able to provide such representation prior to the final disposition of the underlying action or proceeding against such defendant judge, such attorney shall notify the commission and provide a final accounting of the cost of representation. Any unused funds received by such attorney shall be returned to the fund with notice to the commission. Such defendant judge shall then select a substitute attorney from the list maintained pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of this Code section and such attorney shall prepare and submit for concurrence an estimated budget as provided for under this subsection.

(h) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to prevent any defendant judge from selecting his or her own attorney at his or her own expense.

(i) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed as providing insurance coverage or constituting a waiver of sovereign, qualified, or official immunity."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 3.

HB 409, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Resolution of the Senate:

SR 39. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Honorable Charlotte Nash and dedicating an intersection in her honor; and for other purposes.

Senator Jackson of the 2nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbison of the 15th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbison was excused.

Senator Dixon of the 45th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 128. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Jackson of the 128th, Mathis of the 144th, McDonald of the 26th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding health, so as to prohibit providers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to insurance generally, so as to prohibit health insurers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to provide for definitions; to provide for health benefit plans and collective bargaining; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dixon of the 45th.

The consent was granted, and HB 128 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 128, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 128. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Jackson of the 128th, Mathis of the 144th, McDonald of the 26th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding health, so as to prohibit providers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to insurance generally, so as to prohibit health insurers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to provide for definitions; to provide for health benefit plans and collective bargaining; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dixon of the 45th.

Senators Dixon of the 45th, Goodman of the 8th, Jones of the 10th, Miller of the 49th and Payne of the 54th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend HB 128 (LC 46 0360) by replacing line 10 with the following:*
benefit plans and collective bargaining; to provide for applicability; to amend Chapter 39 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation, so as to revise parental requirement for consent; to revise a definition; to provide for a short

*By redesignating Sections 2, 3, and 4, as Sections 1-2, 1-3, and 1-4, respectively, and replacing lines 14 through 15 with the following:*

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

This part shall be known and may be cited as "Gracie's Law."

*By replacing line 201 with the following:*

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Chapter 39 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to cardiopulmonary resuscitation, is amended in Code Section 31-39-2, relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (10) as follows:

"(10) 'Parent' means a parent who has custody of a minor, or ~~is the parent of~~ person with legal authority to act on behalf of a minor, or is the parent of an adult without decision-making capacity."

**SECTION 2-2.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 31-39-4, relating to persons authorized to issue order not to resuscitate, by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d) When a minor child is a candidate for nonresuscitation, an order not to resuscitate may be issued only with the oral or written consent of the minor's parent, unless an exception applies pursuant to subsection (e) of this Code section. ~~Any parent may consent orally or in writing to an order not to resuscitate for his or her minor child when such child is a candidate for nonresuscitation.~~ If in the opinion of the attending physician the minor is of sufficient maturity to understand the nature and effect of an order not to resuscitate, then no such order shall be valid without the assent of such minor."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Dixon amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |

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| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 128, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 255. By Representatives Holcomb of the 81st, Efstration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st, Oliver of the 82nd, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sexual assault protocol, so as to require certain certifications to be filed; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to investigating sexual assault; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council; to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others; to provide for limited liability; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The consent was granted, and HB 255 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 255, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 255. By Representatives Holcomb of the 81st, Efstration of the 104th, Hitchens of the 161st, Oliver of the 82nd, Hugley of the 136th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 24 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to sexual assault protocol, so as to require certain certifications to be filed; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to investigating sexual assault; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding law enforcement officers and agencies; to amend Chapter 6A of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council; to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to physicians, physician assistants, and others; to provide for limited liability; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 255, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator McNeill of the 3rd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 338. By Representatives DeLoach of the 167th, England of the 116th and Williams of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to veterans' licenses, honorary licenses, and other distinctive drivers' licenses, so as to revise qualifications for issuance of veterans' driver's licenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator McNeill of the 3rd.

The consent was granted, and HB 338 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 338, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 338. By Representatives DeLoach of the 167th, England of the 116th and Williams of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-5-36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to veterans' licenses, honorary licenses, and other distinctive drivers' licenses, so as to revise qualifications for issuance of veterans' driver's licenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator McNeill of the 3rd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 338, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 532. By Representative Werkheiser of the 157th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to change certain provisions relating the Department of Labor and employment security; to authorize the Commissioner of Labor to designate peace officers to carry out and enforce provisions relating to labor and industrial relations; to provide for service of certain documents; to change certain provisions relating to the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor; to change certain provisions relating to eligibility requirements for extended benefits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
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> Senate Sponsor: Senator Harbin of the 16th.

The consent was granted, and HB 532 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 532, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 532. By Representative Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to change certain provisions relating the Department of Labor and employment security; to authorize the Commissioner of Labor to designate peace officers to carry out and enforce provisions relating to labor and industrial relations; to provide for service of certain documents; to change certain provisions relating to the powers and duties of the Commissioner of Labor; to change certain provisions relating to eligibility requirements for extended benefits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harbin of the 16th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 532, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

At 3:30 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 4:00 p.m.

At 4:03 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

Senator Robertson of the 29th moved that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 411. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, England of the 116th, Burns of the 159th, Gravley of the 67th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding prosecuting attorneys, so as to create the Prosecuting Attorneys Oversight Commission; to provide for definitions; to provide for the powers, composition, appointment, and confirmation of such commission; to provide for commission members' terms, vacancies, and removals; to provide for procedures and confidentiality; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

Senator Lucas of the 26th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | N Mullis |
| Anderson, L. | Harper | N Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Harrell | N Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | N Hickman | N Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| E Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | Tillery |
| Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | N Lucas | N Walker |

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| Y Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 13, nays 23; the motion failed, and HB 411 was not taken from the Table.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th moved that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 218. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Powell of the 32nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Pirkle of the 155th and Taylor of the 173rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-11-126 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to having or carrying handguns, long guns, or other weapons, license requirement, and exceptions for homes, motor vehicles, private property, and other locations and conditions, so as to expand weapons carry license reciprocity in this state; to provide that persons who are not residents of this state shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state if licensed to carry in any other state; to provide that the Attorney General shall enter into an agreement with any state that requires an agreement to recognize and give effect to weapons carry licenses for reciprocity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and HB 218 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 218, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 218. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Powell of the 32nd, Jasperse of the 11th, Pirkle of the 155th and Taylor of the 173rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-11-126 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to having or carrying handguns, long guns, or other weapons, license requirement, and exceptions for homes, motor vehicles, private property, and other locations and conditions, so as to expand weapons carry license reciprocity in this state; to provide that persons who are not residents of this state shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state if licensed to carry in any other state; to provide that the Attorney General shall enter into an agreement with any state that requires an agreement to recognize and give effect to weapons carry licenses for reciprocity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 218:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to carrying and possession of firearms, so as to expand weapons carry license reciprocity in this state; to provide that persons who are not residents of this state shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state if licensed to carry in any other state; to provide that the Attorney General shall enter into an agreement with any state that requires an agreement to recognize and give effect to weapons carry licenses for reciprocity; to provide for online application for weapons carry licenses and renewal licenses; to provide for relief; to amend Code Section 17-5-54 of the Official Code of

Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions and disposition of personal property in custody of law enforcement agency, so as to revise requirements for the disposition of firearms in custody of law enforcement agencies; to provide for causes of action; to amend Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs, so as to provide for prohibited actions by government official or employee during declared state of emergency; to provide limits upon the emergency powers of the Governor; to provide for civil remedy; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 3 of Article 4 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to carrying and possession of firearms, is amended in Code Section 16-11-126, relating to having or carrying handguns, long guns, or other weapons, license requirement, and exceptions for homes, motor vehicles, private property, and other locations and conditions, by revising subsection (e) as follows:

"(e)(1)(A) Any person licensed to carry a weapon in any other state ~~whose laws recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part~~ shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state, but only while the licensee is not a resident of this state; provided, however, that:

(i) Such licensee licensed to carry a weapon in any other state shall carry the weapon in compliance with the laws of this state; and

(ii) No other state shall be required to recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part that is held by a person who is younger than 21 years of age.

(B)(i) The Attorney General shall create and maintain on the Department of Law's website a list of states whose laws recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part.

(ii) The Attorney General shall enter into an agreement with any state that requires an agreement to recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part.

(2) Any person who is not a weapons carry license holder in this state and who is licensed to carry a weapon in any other state ~~whose laws recognize and give effect to a license issued pursuant to this part~~ shall be authorized to carry a weapon in this state for 90 days after he or she becomes a resident of this state; provided, however, that such person shall carry the weapon in compliance with the laws of this state, shall as soon as practicable submit a weapons carry license application as provided for under Code Section 16-11-129, and shall remain licensed in such other state for the duration of time that he or she is a resident of this state but not a weapons carry license holder in this state."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended in Code Section 16-11-129, relating to weapons carry, gun

safety information, temporary renewal permit, mandamus, and verification of license, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (a) and revising subsection (k) as follows:

"(4) The judge of the probate court shall be authorized to implement online application processes for weapons carry licenses and renewal licenses. The probate court shall also be authorized to accept a weapons carry license or renewal license application by first-class mail."

"(k) **Data base prohibition.**

(1) A person or entity shall not create or maintain a multijurisdictional data base of information regarding persons who have applied for or been issued weapons carry licenses.

(2) Any person aggrieved by a violation of this subsection may bring an action for relief against a public officer in his or her official capacity. Such person who proves by a preponderance of the evidence that he or she is or was included in such a multijurisdictional data base shall be entitled to obtain, in addition to appropriate declaratory or injunctive relief, expenses of litigation, including costs and reasonable attorney's fees."

**SECTION 3.**

Code Section 17-5-54 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, definitions and disposition of personal property in custody of law enforcement agency, is amended by revising subsection (g) as follows:

"(g)(1) With respect to unclaimed firearms, if the sheriff, chief of police, agency director, or designee of such official certifies that a firearm is unsafe because of wear, damage, age, or modification or because any federal or state law prohibits the sale or distribution of such firearm, at the discretion of such official, it shall be transferred to the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, a municipal or county law enforcement forensic laboratory for training or experimental purposes, or be destroyed.

(2) Otherwise, an unclaimed firearm:

(A) Possessed by a municipal corporation shall be disposed of as provided for in Code Section 36-37-6; provided, however, that municipal corporations shall not have the right to reject any bids or to cancel any proposed sale of such firearms, and all sales ~~shall be to persons~~ may be to any person, but the transfer of such firearms shall only be to persons, specified by the winning bidders, who are licensed as firearms collectors, dealers, importers, or manufacturers under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. Section 921, et seq., and who are authorized to receive such firearms under the terms of such license. The municipal corporation shall dispose of all such firearms at least once every 12 months whenever the municipal corporation has an inventory of five or more firearms. If a municipal corporation does not dispose of such firearms as required by this Code section, a person interested in acquiring any such firearms may bring an action in mandamus or other legal proceeding to compel the disposition. A prevailing plaintiff in such an action shall be entitled to his or her costs, including reasonable attorney's fees; or

(B) Possessed by the state or a political subdivision other than a municipal corporation, shall be disposed of by sale at public auction ~~to persons~~. While any person may bid at auction, the transfer of such firearms shall only be to persons, specified by the winning bidders, who are licensed as firearms collectors, dealers, importers, or manufacturers under the provisions of 18 U.S.C. Section 921, et seq., and who are authorized to receive such firearms under the terms of such license. Auctions required by this subparagraph may occur online on a rolling basis or at live events, but in no event shall such auctions occur less frequently than once every 12 months during any time in which the political subdivision or state custodial agency has an inventory of five or more ~~saleable~~ firearms. If the state or a political subdivision other than a municipal corporation does not dispose of such firearms as required by this Code section, a person interested in acquiring any such firearms may bring an action in mandamus or other legal proceeding to compel the disposition. A prevailing plaintiff in such an action shall be entitled to his or her costs, including reasonable attorney's fees.

(3) If no bids from eligible recipients are received within six months from when bidding opened on a firearm offered for sale pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection, the firearm shall be transferred to the Division of Forensic Sciences of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, a municipal or county law enforcement forensic laboratory for training or experimental purposes, or be destroyed."

**SECTION 4.**

Title 38 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to military, emergency management, and veterans affairs, is amended by revising Code Section 38-3-37, relating to prohibited actions by government official or employee during declared state of emergency, as follows:

"38-3-37.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Firearm' means any handgun, rifle, shotgun, or similar device or weapon which will or can be converted to expel a projectile by the action of an explosive or electrical charge.

(2) 'License holder' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 16-11-125.1.

(3) 'Weapon' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 16-11-125.1.

(b) No official or employee of the state or any political subdivision thereof, member of the National Guard in the service of the state, or any person operating pursuant to or under color of state law, while acting during or pursuant to a declared state of emergency, shall:

(1) ~~Temporarily or permanently seize,~~ Seize or authorize the seizure of~~,~~ any firearm~~,~~ ~~or~~ ammunition or any component thereof, ammunition reloading equipment and supplies, or weapon, the possession of which was not prohibited by law at the time immediately prior to the declaration of a state of emergency~~,~~ and other than as provided by the criminal or forfeiture laws of this state;

(2) Prohibit possession of any firearm, ~~or~~ ammunition or any component thereof, ammunition reloading equipment and supplies, or weapon, or promulgate any rule, regulation, or order prohibiting possession of ~~any firearm or ammunition or any component thereof if~~ such if possession was not otherwise prohibited by law at the time immediately prior to the declaration of a state of emergency;

(3) Prohibit any license holder from carrying any weapon or promulgate any rule, regulation, or order prohibiting such carrying if such carrying was not otherwise prohibited by law at the time immediately prior to the declaration of a state of emergency; ~~or~~

(4) Prohibit the manufacture, sale, or transfer of any firearm, ammunition or any component thereof, ammunition reloading equipment and supplies, or weapon, or promulgate any rule, regulation, or order prohibiting the manufacture, sale, or transfer of such if the manufacture, sale, or transfer was not otherwise prohibited by law at the time immediately prior to the declaration of a state of emergency;

(5) Suspend or revoke any weapons carry license issued pursuant to Code Section 16-11-129, except as authorized by such Code section;

(6) Refuse to accept an application for a weapons carry license which has been properly submitted in accordance with Code Section 16-11-129 if the building or courthouse is otherwise open to the public; provided, however, that no probate judge shall be responsible for any delay or closure caused by circumstances or actions outside of the control of such probate judge;

(7) Close or limit the operational hours of or place any other restrictions upon any business engaged in the lawful manufacture, sale, or repair of firearms, ammunition or any component thereof, ammunition reloading equipment and supplies, or weapons unless closure, limitation upon hours, or other restrictions have been required of all businesses within the jurisdiction;

(8) Close or limit the operational hours of any lawful indoor or outdoor shooting range unless closure or limitation upon hours has been required of all businesses within the jurisdiction; or

~~(4)~~(9) Require the registration of any firearm.

(c) Any individual who is a lawful resident of the United States, is authorized to possess a firearm under the laws of this state, and is or has been subject to an act, rule, regulation, or order in violation of this Code section may bring an action in mandamus or other legal proceeding against a public entity or public officer in his or her official capacity to obtain declaratory or injunctive relief. A prevailing plaintiff in such action shall be entitled to recover his or her costs in such action, including reasonable attorney's fees."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 38-3-51, relating to emergency powers of Governor, termination of emergency, limitations in energy emergency, and immunity, by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (d) as follows:

"(1) Suspend any regulatory statute, other than Code Section 38-3-37, prescribing the

procedures for conduct of state business, or the orders, rules, or regulations of any state agency, if strict compliance with any statute, order, rule, or regulation would in any way prevent, hinder, or delay necessary action in coping with the emergency or disaster;"

**SECTION 6.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 7.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to HB 218 (LC 39 3075-ECS) by inserting after* "remedy;" *on line 15 the following:*

to provide a limitation on the Governor's power to control the practice of any religion during an emergency; to provide for the continued operation of organizations during a public health state of emergency if they comply with certain health and safety measures; to provide for a definition;

*By inserting* "and inserting a new subsection to read" *on line 167 after* "subsection (d)".

*By inserting after line 171 the following:*

"(k) No power granted under the provisions of this Code section shall be utilized to specifically limit the practice of any religion."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"38-3-59.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'organization' means any business, establishment, corporation, nonprofit corporation, organization, or other entity.

(b) During any state of emergency declared by the Governor pursuant to Code Section 38-3-51 due to a public health emergency where the Governor has issued health and safety measures in any order, rule, or regulation issued pursuant to Articles 1 through 3 of this chapter in relation to such public health emergency, any organization may operate if the organization complies with all applicable health and safety measures contained in such order, rule, or regulation."

*By replacing* "**SECTION 6.**" *with* "**SECTION 7.**" *on line 172.*

*By replacing* "**SECTION 7.**" *with* "**SECTION 8.**" *on line 175.*

Senator Lucas of the 26th requested a ruling of the Chair as to the germaneness of the amendment.

The President ruled the amendment germane.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Ginn of the 47th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Ginn was excused.

On the adoption of the amendment, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Jackson of the 41st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 34, nays 18, and the amendment to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 34, nays 18.

HB 218, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 42. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harbison of the 15th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," so as to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 215. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Burke of the 11th, Butler of the 55th, Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to authorize certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents under certain circumstances; to provide criteria and requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House adheres to its position in insisting on its substitute and has appointed a Committee of Conference to confer with a like committee on the part of the Senate on the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Speaker has appointed on the part of the House, Representatives Blackmon of the 146th, Williamson of the 115th, and Burns of the 159th.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 495. By Representatives Crowe of the 110th, Wiedower of the 119th, Williams of the 145th and Hitchens of the 161st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 and Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board, respectively, so as to revise the duties of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board relative to the board's determination of a sexual

offender's risk assessment classification; to provide for definitions; to provide for certain investigators; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The consent was granted, and HB 495 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 495, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 495. By Representatives Crowe of the 110th, Wiedower of the 119th, Williams of the 145th and Hitchens of the 161st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 and Article 2 of Chapter 1 of Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board, respectively, so as to revise the duties of the Georgia Bureau of Investigation and the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board relative to the board's determination of a sexual offender's risk assessment classification; to provide for definitions; to provide for certain investigators; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 1.

HB 495, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/29/2021

I inadvertently voted no on HB 495. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote yes.

/s/ Butler of the 55th

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 134. By Representatives Anderson of the 10th, Jones of the 47th, Jones of the 25th, Dubnik of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 14 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to open and public meetings, so as to exclude meetings relating to cybersecurity contracting and planning from open meeting requirements; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, so as to provide an exemption for certain documents relating to cybersecurity plans and systems; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The consent was granted, and HB 134 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 134, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 134. By Representatives Anderson of the 10th, Jones of the 47th, Jones of the 25th, Dubnik of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 14 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to open and public meetings, so as to exclude meetings relating to cybersecurity contracting and planning from open meeting requirements; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, so as to provide an exemption for certain documents relating to cybersecurity plans and systems; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | E Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 134, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 479. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Hogan of the 179th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Frazier of the 126th, DeLoach of the 167th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to revise certain arrest powers; to provide for arrests by a law enforcement officer outside of the jurisdiction of his or her employing law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; to revise the grounds for arrest by a private person; to repeal in its entirety Article 4 of Chapter 4, relating to arrest by private persons; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor carrier compliance division; to amend Chapter 38 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to operators of private detective businesses and private security businesses; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 51 of the O.C.G.A., relating to detention or arrest on suspicion of shoplifting or film piracy; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Cowsert of the 46th.

The consent was granted, and HB 479 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 479, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 479. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Hogan of the 179th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Frazier of the 126th, DeLoach of the 167th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to revise certain arrest powers; to provide for arrests by a law enforcement officer outside of the jurisdiction of his or her employing law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; to revise the grounds for arrest by a private person; to repeal in its entirety Article 4 of Chapter 4, relating to arrest by private persons; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor carrier compliance division; to amend Chapter 38 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to operators of private detective businesses and private security businesses; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 51 of the O.C.G.A., relating to detention or arrest on suspicion of shoplifting or film piracy; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Cowsert of the 46th.

Senators Tippins of the 37th, Albers of the 56th, Robertson of the 29th, Harbin of the 16th, Miller of the 49th and others offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the House Committee substitute to HB 479 (LC 41 3075-ECS) by replacing line 72 with the following:*

retail establishment or a food service establishment or any business owning personal property located on their own property or on the property of others on which they are conducting their business activities.

*By replacing lines 85 through 87 with the following:*

(3) An owner of any business entity operating on their own property or on the property of others on which they are doing business who have reasonable grounds to believe that the individual sought to be detained has committed or attempted to commit theft by taking as set forth in Code Section 16-8-2 or theft of services as set forth in Code Section 16-8-5;

(4) A weight inspector under Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 35 when needed for purposes of performing his or her duties under such article; or

(5) A licensee or registrant under Chapter 38 of Title 43 when needed in the performance

On the adoption of the amendment, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Jackson of the 41st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #1, the yeas were 33, nays 19, and the amendment was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 1.

HB 479, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the

Senate:

SB 49. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 24th, Gooch of the 51st, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to standards and requirements for construction, alteration, etc. of buildings and other structures, so as to provide procedures for alternative plan review, permitting, and inspection by private professional providers so as to allow applicants to elect whether to retain, at their own expense, a private professional provider to provide required plan reviews or inspections of certain buildings; to provide for fees; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 85. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-5-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hazing, so as to provide for an expanded definition of hazing; to provide for inclusion of minors as the subject of hazing; to provide for penalties; to provide for the Attorney General to bring civil actions against certain organizations regarding hazing incidents; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, so as to provide for mandatory reports of hazing related violations at schools in the state; to provide for and revise definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 92. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Anderson of the 24th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd and Payne of the 54th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 13 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to schedules, offenses, and penalties regarding the regulation of controlled substances, so as to prohibit the sale to and by minors of drug products containing dextromethorphan; to provide for definitions; to provide for proper identification; to provide for a list of finished drug products; to provide for penalties; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for state regulation; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to

provide an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 107. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, so as to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including mandatory rooming and board fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 144. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, so as to limit the ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 260. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, so as to exclude certain soil amendments from regulation; to limit locally adopted buffers and setbacks; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has adopted, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Resolutions of the Senate:

SR 84. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Kennedy of the 18th, Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

SR 102. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding; and for other purposes.

Senator Thompson of the 14th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 43. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Jones of the 47th, Nix of the 69th, Martin of the 49th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, so as to require motor vehicle registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate; to provide for the sharing of such information with law enforcement upon a vehicle tag inquiry; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Thompson of the 14th.

The consent was granted, and HB 43 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 43, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 43. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Jones of the 47th, Nix of the 69th, Martin of the 49th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, so as to require motor vehicle registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate; to provide for the sharing of such information with law enforcement upon a vehicle tag inquiry; to provide for related matters; to repeal

conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Thompson of the 14th.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to HB 43:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, so as to require motor vehicle registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate; to provide for the sharing of such information with law enforcement upon a vehicle tag inquiry; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as "Walker's Law."

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b)(1) Application shall be made by the owner of the vehicle upon ~~blanks~~ a form prepared by the commissioner for such purposes~~. The application shall contain a statement of~~ setting forth the name, place of residence, and address of the applicant; a brief description of the vehicle to be registered, including its name and model, the name of the manufacturer, the manufacturer's vehicle identification number, and its shipping weight and carrying capacity; from whom, where, and when the vehicle was purchased; the total amount of all liens, if any, thereon, with the name and address of the lienholder; and such other information as the commissioner may require. ~~In addition, the~~

(2) The commissioner shall ~~provide to~~ further include on such form a place which provides an applicant an opportunity to ~~designate~~:

(A) Designate an alternative emergency contact telephone number that shall be made available to a law enforcement officer making a vehicle tag inquiry with the records of the department or criminal justice information system in the course of conducting official law enforcement business; and

(B) Indicate that the applicant or an expected driver of the vehicle has a physical, mental, or neurological condition which impedes the applicant's ability to

communicate which shall be made available to a law enforcement officer making a vehicle tag inquiry with the records of the department or criminal justice information system in the course of conducting official law enforcement business.

(3) Any applicant electing to submit information for subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of this subsection shall submit an affidavit which attests to the following information:

(A) A description of the condition or diagnosis which impedes the ability to communicate, including whether such impediment is temporary, intermittent, or triggered by certain events; and

(B) Whether such condition exists for the applicant or an expected driver of the vehicle, including the name of the expected driver if other than the applicant."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 4.

HB 43, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 94. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, England of the 116th, Reeves of the 34th, Mathiak of the 73rd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail; to provide for the crime of porch piracy; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The consent was granted, and HB 94 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 94, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 94. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, England of the 116th, Reeves of the 34th, Mathiak of the 73rd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail; to provide for the crime of porch piracy; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 94:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail; to

provide for the crime of porch piracy; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-8-24.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Mail' means a letter, post card, package, bag, or other sealed article that:

(A) Is delivered by the United States Postal Service, a common carrier, or a delivery service and has not yet been received by the person to whom it is addressed; or

(B) Has been left in a location to be collected for delivery by the United States Postal Service, a common carrier, or a delivery service.

(2) 'Possesses stolen mail' means to knowingly receive, retain, possess, conceal, or dispose of stolen mail knowing that it has been stolen and to withhold such stolen mail from the true owner or person to whom the mail is addressed or to appropriate such stolen mail to the use of any person other than the true owner or the person to whom the mail is addressed.

(b) A person shall be guilty of the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail if he or she:

(1) Possesses stolen mail addressed to three or more different mailboxes or addresses; and

(2) Possesses a minimum of ten separate pieces of stolen mail.

(c) A person who violates this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years, or, in the discretion of the trial judge, as for a misdemeanor.

(d) Each set of ten separate pieces of stolen mail addressed to three or more different mailboxes or addresses constitutes a separate and distinct crime and may be punished accordingly.

(e) The fact that the person who stole the mail has not been convicted, apprehended, or identified shall not be a defense to the charge of theft by possession of stolen mail."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-8-25.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'dwelling' has the same meaning as provided in Code Section 16-7-1.

(b) A person shall be guilty of the crime of porch piracy if such person takes, removes, or otherwise appropriates three or more envelopes, bags, packages, or other related articles of another person without the permission of such other person from the porch,

steps, or immediate vicinity of any entrance or exit of a dwelling of three or more different mailboxes or addresses.
(c) A person who violates this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than five years, or, in the discretion of the trial judge, as for a misdemeanor."

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 38, nays 14.

HB 94, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 231. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Ballinger of the 23rd, Nguyen of the 89th, Wiedower of the 119th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 and Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking and granting of relief by superior courts, respectively, so as to expand the applicability of protective orders involving victims of stalking; to revise the definition of family violence to include certain acts between persons through whom a past or present pregnancy has developed or persons in a past or present dating relationship for the granting of protective orders and other relief; to provide for definitions; to require the court to make certain findings prior to granting protective orders alleging dating relationships; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

The consent was granted, and HB 231 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 231, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 231. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Ballinger of the 23rd, Nguyen of the 89th, Wiedower of the 119th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 and Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking and granting of relief by superior courts, respectively, so as to expand the applicability of protective orders involving victims of stalking; to revise the definition of family violence to include certain acts between persons through whom a past or present pregnancy has developed or persons in a past or present dating relationship for the granting of protective orders and other relief; to provide for definitions; to require the court to make certain findings prior to granting protective orders alleging dating relationships; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 231:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 and Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking and domestic relations, respectively, so as to expand the applicability of protective orders involving victims of stalking; to provide for dating violence protective orders; to provide for definitions; to provide for jurisdiction within the superior court; to require the court to make certain findings prior to granting protective orders alleging dating violence; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking, is amended by revising subsection (e) of Code Section 16-5-94, relating to restraining orders and protective orders, as follows:

"(e) The provisions of subsections (c), ~~and~~ (d), and (e) of Code Section 19-13-3, subsections (b), (c), and (d) of Code Section 19-13-4, and Code Section 19-13-5, relating to family violence petitions, shall apply to petitions filed pursuant to this Code section, except that the clerk of court may provide forms for petitions and pleadings to persons alleging conduct constituting stalking and to any other person designated by the superior court pursuant to this Code section as authorized to advise persons alleging conduct constituting stalking on filling out and filing such petitions and pleadings."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, is amended by adding a new chapter to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 13A

19-13A-1.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Dating relationship' means a committed romantic relationship characterized by a level of intimacy that is not associated with mere friendship or between persons in an ordinary business, social, or educational context; provided, however, that such term shall not require sexual involvement.

(2) 'Dating violence' means the occurrence of one or more of the following acts between persons through whom a current pregnancy has developed or persons currently, or within the last six months were, in a dating relationship:

(A) Any felony; or

(B) Commission of the offenses of simple battery, battery, simple assault, or stalking.

19-13A-2.
(a) Except for proceedings involving a nonresident respondent, the superior court of the county where the respondent resides shall have jurisdiction over all proceedings under this chapter.
(b) For proceedings under this chapter involving a nonresident respondent, the superior court where the petitioner resides or the superior court where an act or injury involving dating violence allegedly occurred shall have jurisdiction, where the act or injury involving dating violence meets the elements for personal jurisdiction provided for under paragraph (2) or (3) of Code Section 9-10-91.

19-13A-3.
(a) Upon the filing of a verified petition in which the petitioner alleges with specific facts that probable cause exists to establish that dating violence has occurred in the past and may occur in the future, the court may order such temporary relief ex parte as it deems necessary to protect the petitioner from dating violence. If the court issues an ex parte order, a copy of the order shall be immediately furnished to the petitioner and such order shall remain in effect until the court issues an order dismissing such order or a hearing as set forth in subsection (b) of this Code section occurs, whichever occurs first.
(b) Within ten days of the filing of the petition under this chapter or as soon as practical thereafter, but not later than 30 days after the filing of the petition, a hearing shall be held at which the petitioner must prove the allegations of the petition by a preponderance of the evidence as in other civil cases. In the event a hearing cannot be scheduled within the county where the case is pending within the 30 day period, the same shall be scheduled and heard within any other county of that circuit. If a hearing is not held within 30 days of the filing of the petition, the petition shall stand dismissed unless the parties otherwise agree.
(c) Social service agency staff members designated by the court may explain to all petitioners not represented by counsel the procedures for filling out and filing all forms and pleadings necessary for the presentation of their petition to the court. The clerk of the court may provide forms for petitions and pleadings to petitioners and to any other person designated by the superior court pursuant to this Code section as authorized to advise petitioners on filling out and filing such petitions and pleadings. The clerk shall not be required to provide assistance to persons in completing such forms or in presenting their case to the court. Any assistance provided pursuant to this Code section shall be performed without cost to the petitioners. The performance of such assistance shall not constitute the practice of law as defined in Code Section 15-19-51.
(d) If the court finds a party is avoiding service to delay a hearing, the court may delay dismissal of the petition for an additional 30 days.

19-13A-4.
(a)(1) In order to determine if a protective order alleging dating violence shall be granted, the court shall provide findings of fact establishing that:

(A) There is a committed romantic relationship between the parties that is not associated with mere friendship or ordinary business, social, or educational fraternization;
(B) Factors exist which corroborate the dating relationship;
(C) The parties developed interpersonal bonding above a mere casual fraternization;
(D) The length of the relationship between the parties is indicative of a dating relationship;
(E) The nature and frequency of the parties' interactions, including communications, indicate the parties intended to be in a dating relationship;
(F) The parties by statement or conduct demonstrated an affirmation of their relationship to others; or
(G) Both parties have acknowledged the dating relationship.

(2) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed as preventing the filing or granting of a protective order otherwise provided for under law for persons who reside together.

(b) The court may, upon the filing of a verified petition and as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section, grant any protective order or approve any consent agreement to bring about a cessation of acts of dating violence. The court shall not have the authority to issue or approve mutual protective orders concerning paragraph (1), (3), or (5) of this subsection, or any combination thereof, unless the respondent has filed a verified petition as a counter petition pursuant to Code Section 19-13A-3 no later than three days prior to the hearing and the provisions of Code Section 19-13A-3 have been satisfied. The orders or agreements may:

(1) Direct the respondent to refrain from such acts;
(2) Provide for possession of personal property of the parties;
(3) Order the respondent to refrain from harassing or interfering with the petitioner;
(4) Award costs and attorney's fees to either party; and
(5) Order the respondent to receive appropriate psychiatric, psychological, or educational services as a further measure to prevent the recurrence of dating violence.

(c) A copy of the order shall be issued by the clerk of the superior court to the sheriff of the county wherein the order was entered and shall be retained by the sheriff as long as that order shall remain in effect.

(d) Any order granted under this Code section shall remain in effect for up to one year; provided, however, that upon the motion of a petitioner and notice to the respondent and after a hearing, the court in its discretion may convert a temporary order granted under this Code section to an order effective for not more than three years or to a permanent order.

(e) A protective order issued pursuant to this Code section shall apply and shall be effective throughout this state. It shall be the duty of every superior court and of every sheriff, every deputy sheriff, and every state, county, or municipal law enforcement officer within this state to enforce and carry out the terms of any valid protective order issued by any court under the provisions of this Code section.

19-13A-5.
The remedies provided by this chapter are not exclusive but are additional to any other remedies provided by law.

19-13A-6.
A violation of an order issued pursuant to this chapter may be punished by an action for contempt or criminally punished as provided in Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16."

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 231, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 466. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Williams of the 145th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to reduce the number of required hours in the intervention component of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs; to allow licensed driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The consent was granted, and HB 466 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 466, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 466. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Williams of the 145th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to reduce the number of required hours in the intervention component of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs; to allow licensed driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The Senate Committee on Public Safety offered the following substitute to HB 466:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to provide for driver education training courses; to provide for requirements for the issuance of Class C and Class D drivers' licenses; to provide for exemptions; to allow driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for transfer of ownership of driver training schools, risk reduction programs, and driver improvement programs; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, is amended in Code Section 40-5-1, relating to definitions, by adding new paragraphs to read as follows:

"(8.1) 'Driver education training course' means any course approved by the department pursuant to Code Section 40-5-10.

(8.2) 'Driver training school' means any person licensed by the department pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 43."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-5-10.

(a) The department shall establish standards for approval of curriculum for a driver education training course, provided that such course shall be designed to educate young drivers about safe driving practices and the traffic laws of this state and to train young drivers in the safe operation of motor vehicles.

(b) The department shall provide for the approval of similar courses from other states to satisfy the requirements of this chapter relating to driver education training courses for any child moving into this state within nine months of his or her sixteenth birthday when the child's parent is in the active military service of the United States.

(c) Driver education training courses may be offered:

(1) By the department, a driver training school, a public or private high school, or a home education instructor; and

(2) Through in-person instruction, online courses, or remote participation platforms provided by in-person instruction providers.

(d) The department shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-22, relating to persons not to be licensed, minimum ages for licensees, school enrollment requirements, driving training requirements, limited driving permit, and expired licenses, by revising subsections (a) and (a.2) as follows:

"(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, the department shall not issue any Class C driver's license to any person who is under 18 years of age or Class M driver's license to any person who is under ~~the age of~~ 17 years of age, except that the department may, under subsection (a) of Code Section 40-5-24, issue a Class P instruction permit permitting the operation of a noncommercial Class C vehicle to any person who is at least 15 years of age, and may, under ~~subsection (b) of~~ Code Section 40-5-24, issue a Class D driver's license permitting the operation of a noncommercial Class C vehicle to any person who is at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age. ~~On and after January 1, 1985, the department shall not issue any driver's license to any person under 18 years of age unless such person presents a certificate or other evidence acceptable to the department which indicates satisfactory completion of an alcohol and drug course as prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142; provided, however, that a person under 18 years of age who becomes a resident of this state and who has in his or her immediate possession a valid license issued to him or her in another state or country shall not be required to take or complete the alcohol and drug course.~~ The department shall not issue a driver's license or a Class P instruction permit for the operation of a Class A or B vehicle or any commercial driver's license to any person who is under ~~the age of~~ 18 years of age."

"(a.2)(1) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection ~~On and after January 1, 2002~~, the department shall not issue any initial Class D driver's license or, in the case of a person who has never been issued a Class D driver's license by the department or the equivalent thereof by any other jurisdiction, any initial Class C driver's license to a person under 18 years of age unless such person:

(A) Is at least 16 years of age ~~and has~~;

(B) Has completed ~~an approved~~ a driver education course ~~in a licensed private or public driver training school and in addition has a~~;

(C) Has completed an alcohol and drug course as prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142; and

(D) Has completed a cumulative total of at least 40 hours of other supervised driving experience, including at least six hours at night, ~~all of~~ which is verified in writing signed before a person authorized to administer oaths by a parent or guardian of the applicant or by the applicant if such person is at least 18 years of age; ~~or~~ provided, however, that such affidavit shall not be required when behind-

the-wheel training has been provided by a driver training school.

~~(B) Is at least 17 years of age and has completed a cumulative total of at least 40 hours of supervised driving experience including at least six hours at night, and the same is verified in writing signed before a person authorized to administer oaths by a parent or guardian of the applicant or by the applicant if such person is at least 18 years of age; provided, however, that a person 17 years of age or older who becomes a resident of this state, who meets all of the qualifications for issuance of a Class C license with the exception of the completion of an approved driver education training course and at least 40 hours of supervised driving experience as required by this subsection, and~~

(2) Any person under 18 years of age who has in his or her immediate possession a valid license equivalent to a Class C license issued to him or her in another state or country shall be entitled to receive a Class C license.

~~(2)~~(3) The commissioner shall by rule or regulation ~~establish standards for approval of any driver education course for purposes of subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, provided that such course shall be designed to educate young drivers about safe driving practices and the traffic laws of this state and to train young drivers in the safe operation of motor vehicles, and provided, further, that the commissioner shall~~ provide for the approval of courses from other states to satisfy the requirements of this ~~paragraph~~ Code section for any child moving into this state within nine months of his or her sixteenth birthday when the child's parent is in the active military service of the United States.

~~(3)~~(4) For purposes of supervised driving experience under paragraph (1) of this subsection, supervision shall be provided by a person at least 21 years of age who is licensed as a driver for a commercial or noncommercial Class C vehicle, who is fit and capable of exercising control over the vehicle, and who is occupying a seat beside the driver.

~~(4) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'approved driver education training course' shall include those driver education training courses approved by the Department of Driver Services.~~

~~(5) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'approved driver education training course' shall include instruction given in the course of a home education program that satisfies the reporting requirements of all state laws governing such programs, provided that such instruction utilizes a curriculum approved by the department.~~"

**SECTION 4.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-24, relating to instruction permits, graduated licensing and related restrictions, and temporary licenses, by revising paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a) and subsections (b), (c), and (f) as follows:

"~~(2) A person who has been issued an instruction permit under this subsection and has never been issued a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section will become eligible for a Class D driver's license under subsection (b) of this Code section only if such person is at least 17 years of age, has a valid instruction~~

~~permit which is not under suspension, and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class D driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer, reckless driving, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57; provided, however, that a person who is at least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this paragraph except for age who has completed an approved driver education training course as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 will be eligible for a Class D driver's license.~~

~~(3)~~(2) This subsection does not apply to instruction permits for the operation of motorcycles.

(b)(1)(A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, any ~~Any~~ resident of this state who is at least ~~17~~ 16 years of age and who, for a period of at least 12 months, had a valid instruction permit issued under subsection (a) of this Code section may apply to the department for a Class D driver's license to operate a noncommercial Class C vehicle if such resident has ~~otherwise complied with all prerequisites for the issuance of such Class D driver's license as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section, provided that a~~:

(i) For a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class D driver's license, not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets in violation of Code Section 40-6-186, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395, reckless driving in violation of Code Section 40-6-390, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57; and

(ii) Completed the requisite courses and supervised driving experience set forth in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22.

(B) Any resident at least 17 years of age who has at any age surrendered to the department a valid instruction permit or driver's license issued by another state or the District of Columbia or who has submitted to the department proof, to the satisfaction of the department, of a valid instruction permit or driver's license issued by another state or the District of Columbia may apply his or her driving record under such previously issued permit or driver's license toward meeting the eligibility requirements for a Class D driver's license the same as if such previously issued permit or driver's license were an instruction permit issued under subsection (a) of this Code section~~; provided, however, that a person who is at least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this paragraph except for age who has completed an approved driver education training course as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 may apply for a Class D driver's license~~.

(2) The department shall, after all applicable requirements have been met, issue to the

applicant a Class D driver's license which shall entitle the applicant, while having such license in his or her immediate possession, to drive a Class C vehicle upon the public highways of this state under the following conditions:

(A) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle on the public roads, streets, or highways of this state between the hours of 12:00 Midnight and 5:00 A.M. eastern standard time or eastern daylight time, whichever is applicable; and

(B)(i) Any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when more than three other passengers in the vehicle who are not members of the driver's immediate family are less than 21 years of age.

(ii) During the six-month period immediately following issuance of such license, any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when any other passenger in the vehicle is not a member of the driver's immediate family.

(iii) Notwithstanding the provisions of division (i) of this subparagraph, during the second six-month period immediately following issuance of such license, any Class D license holder shall not drive a Class C motor vehicle upon the public roads, streets, or highways of this state when more than one other passenger in the vehicle who is not a member of the driver's immediate family is less than 21 years of age;

provided, however, that a Class D license holder shall not be charged with a violation of this paragraph alone but may be charged with violating this paragraph in addition to any other traffic offense.

(C) For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'immediate family' shall include the license holder's parents and ~~step-parents~~ stepparents, grandparents, siblings and ~~step-siblings~~ stepsiblings, children, and any other person who resides at the license holder's residence.

(3) A person who has been issued a Class D driver's license under this subsection and has never been issued a Class C driver's license under this chapter will become eligible for a Class C driver's license under this chapter only if such person has a valid Class D driver's license which is not under suspension and, for a period of not less than 12 consecutive months prior to making application for a Class C driver's license, has not been convicted of a violation of Code Section 40-6-391, hit and run or leaving the scene of an accident in violation of Code Section 40-6-270, racing on highways or streets in violation of Code Section 40-6-186, using a motor vehicle in fleeing or attempting to elude an officer in violation of Code Section 40-6-395, reckless driving in violation of Code Section 40-6-390, or convicted of any offense for which four or more points are assessable under subsection (c) of Code Section 40-5-57 and is at least 18 years of age; provided, however, that any person at least 17 years of age who provides proof of military enlistment and meets all other qualifications of this paragraph, except that such person has held a Class D driver's license for a period of less than 12 consecutive months, shall be eligible for a Class C driver's license.

(c) Any resident of this state who is at least 17 years of age may apply to the department for a noncommercial Class M motorcycle instruction permit. The department shall, after the applicant has successfully passed all parts of the examination other than the driving test, issue to the applicant an instruction permit which shall entitle the applicant, while having such permit in his or her immediate possession, to drive a motorcycle or a motor driven cycle upon the public highways for a period of six months; provided, however, that a person who is at least 16 years of age and meets all of the other qualifications of this subsection except for age who has completed ~~an approved~~ a driver education training course ~~as provided in subsection (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22~~ may apply for a Class M motorcycle instruction permit. A motorcycle instruction permit shall not be valid when carrying passengers, on a limited access highway, or at night."

"~~(f) For the purposes of this Code section, the term 'approved driver education training course' shall include those driver education training courses approved by the Department of Driver Services.~~"

**SECTION 5.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-25, relating to applications, fees, waiver of fees, and provisions for voluntary participation in various programs, by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (b) and subsection (f) as follows:

"(2) The department shall waive the license fee for each person applying for a Class P noncommercial instruction permit for a Class C driver's license when the noncommercial knowledge test is to be administered by a ~~licensed~~ driver training school or public or private high school authorized to administer such tests as provided for in subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-27."

"(f) The General Assembly finds that it is in the best interests of this state to encourage alcohol and drug education to inform young people of the dangers involved in consuming alcohol or certain drugs while operating a motor vehicle. The General Assembly further finds that parental or guardian involvement in an alcohol and drug awareness program will assist in reducing the number of young persons involved in driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol. To promote these purposes, where a parent or guardian successfully participates in the parent-guardian component of the alcohol and drug course required by subsection ~~(a)~~ (a.2) of Code Section 40-5-22 as prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142, each parent or guardian shall be entitled to a one-time three-year online motor vehicle report."

**SECTION 6.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-27, relating to examination of applicants for drivers' licenses, by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d)~~(1)~~ The department shall authorize ~~licensed~~ driver training schools qualified pursuant to the provisions of this subsection to conduct knowledge tests, on-the-road driving ~~skills~~ tests, and other tests required for issuance of a driver's license; provided that any driver training school authorized to conduct such tests shall continue to provide

driver education training courses on a full-time basis during any period of time such school is authorized to conduct testing. ~~as provided in this subsection. The department shall, prior to approving a licensed driver training school to conduct tests as provided in this subsection, make a determination that the school has been licensed for a minimum of two years and has conducted driver education courses on a full-time basis for such two-year period and that such school meets all other standards which the department may establish as a condition for approval to conduct such tests.~~

(1) The department shall authorize a driver training school ~~licensed pursuant to Chapter 13 of Title 43 and approved by the department~~ which has been licensed for a minimum of two years and conducted driver education training courses on a full-time basis for at least two years to administer the on-the-road driving ~~skills~~ testing provided for in this Code section, provided that ~~the applicant has successfully completed~~:

(A)~~(i)~~ An applicant under 18 years of age has successfully completed:

(i) A ~~classroom or online~~ driver education training course ~~licensed by the department and~~ which includes a minimum of 30 class hours of instruction; and

(ii) Six hours of private in-car instruction provided by a licensed instructor employed by the ~~licensed~~ driver training school administering such on-the-road driving ~~skills~~ test.

(B) ~~For any~~ An applicant 18 years of age or older~~,~~ has successfully completed a minimum of six hours of private in-car instruction provided by a licensed instructor employed by the ~~licensed~~ driver training school administering such on-the-road driving ~~skills~~ test.

(2) The department shall authorize a driver training school which has administered the on-the-road driving test as provided for in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection for five years or more to administer the on-the road driving test to any applicant 17 years of age or older; provided, however that any driver training school which had administered the on-the-road driving test as provided for in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection for at least two years on January 1, 2021, shall be authorized to administer the on-the road driving test to any applicant 17 years of age or older.

~~(2)~~(3) The department may establish by rules and regulations the type of tests or demonstrations to be made by applicants for any Class P instruction permit, Class C driver's license, or Class D driver's license under this Code section.

~~(3)~~(4) The department may authorize public and private high schools to conduct knowledge tests required for issuance of a Class P instruction permit or Class D driver's license or both."

**SECTION 7.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-83, relating to establishment, approval, and operation of clinics and programs, out-of-state certificates of completion, instructor licenses, fees, and submission of fingerprints by applicants, by revising paragraphs (1.1) and (2) of subsection (a) and subsection (c) as follows:

"~~(1.1)~~(2)(A) No driver improvement clinic shall be permitted to use, adopt, or conduct any business under any name that is like or deceptively similar to any name used by any other driver improvement clinic, Georgia company, or Georgia corporation registered with the Secretary of State. This subparagraph shall not prohibit the franchising or licensing of any part or all of the name of a driver improvement clinic by the owner or the rights thereof to another licensed driver improvement clinic.

(B) This paragraph shall not prohibit the franchising or licensing of any part or all of the name of a clinic by the owner of the rights therein to another licensed driver improvement clinic.

~~(2) The commissioner may issue a special license to the instructor of any licensed driver training school authorizing such instructor to teach a defensive driving course at a driver improvement clinic approved pursuant to this Code section if such instructor is qualified to teach a teen-age driver education course which consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training and such instructor certifies to the commissioner that he or she has provided at least 300 hours of behind-the-wheel training in a teen-age driver education course.~~"

"(c) The commissioner shall be authorized to issue a special license to the instructor of any driver improvement clinic who is qualified to teach the alcohol and drug course prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142. A driver improvement clinic shall offer such alcohol and drug course only through a qualified instructor and shall not charge a fee for such course of more than $25.00. The commissioner shall be authorized to issue a special license to a licensed instructor of any driver training school to teach the alcohol and drug course prescribed in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-142 who is qualified to teach a ~~teen-age~~ driver education training course, which course consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training. The alcohol and drug program may be included in the 30 hours of classroom training as part of a curriculum approved by the department. Any fee authorized by law for such a drug and alcohol course may be included in the tuition charge for a ~~teen-age~~ driver education training course. Any text or workbook provided or required by the ~~Department of Driver Services~~ department for such alcohol and drug course shall be provided by the department at the same fee as currently charged by the department to any public or private school, contractor, or appropriate representative currently teaching the program."

**SECTION 8.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-5-147, relating to requirements for issuance of commercial driver's license or instruction permit, administration of skills test by third party, waiver or exemption, and disqualification and notice, by revising paragraph (2) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(2) The department may authorize a ~~person~~ third party, including an agency of this or another state, an employer, a ~~private driver training facility, or other private institution~~ driver training school, or a public or private high school or a department,

agency, or instrumentality of a local government, to administer the skills test specified by this Code section, provided that:

(A) The test is the same which would otherwise be administered by the state;

(B) The third party has entered into an agreement with the state which complies with the requirements set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 383.75;

(C) The third party complies with all other requirements set by the department by regulations; and

(D) The third party possesses and maintains a surety bond in an amount to be set by the department through regulations. Such amount shall be sufficient to pay for retesting of drivers if required due to examiners engaging in fraudulent activities related to the skills test."

**SECTION 9.**

Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to driver training schools, is amended in Code Section 43-13-2, relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (3) as follows:

"(3) 'Driver training course' means ~~a course including but not limited to classroom instruction; behind-the-wheel instruction; instruction by means of simulation training; and defensive driving, distance learning, or virtual driver training courses approved by the Department of Driver Services~~ instruction for the purpose of assisting persons to meet the requirements for licensed driving of Class C or Class M motor vehicles in this state and which may be offered through in-person instruction, online courses, or remote participation platforms."

**SECTION 10.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-13-6.2.

(a) The commissioner of driver services shall be authorized to issue a special license to the instructor of any driver training school authorizing such instructor to teach a defensive driving course at a driver improvement clinic approved pursuant to Code Section 40-5-83 if such instructor is qualified to teach a driver education training course in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 40 which consists of a minimum of 30 hours of classroom and six hours of behind-the-wheel training and such instructor certifies to the commissioner that he or she has provided at least 300 hours of behind-the-wheel training in a driver education training course in accordance with Chapter 5 of Title 40.

(b) The commissioner of driver services shall be authorized to issue a special license to the instructor of any driver training school authorizing such instructor to serve as a driver's license examiner and conduct tests required for issuance of a driver's license pursuant to subsection (d) of Code Section 40-5-27 if such instructor has held his or her license with a driver training school for at least six months and certifies to the commissioner that he or she has provided at least 500 hours of behind-the-wheel training."

**SECTION 11.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"43-13-7.1.

Whenever there is a change in ownership of a driver training school, DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program, or driver improvement program, the department shall be notified no later than 30 days after such change in ownership. After any change in ownership to any person otherwise qualified to operate a driver training school, DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Program, or driver improvement program pursuant to this chapter or Title 40, the department shall consider the duration of operation of any previous owner in any required calculation for duration of operation by a successor owner."

**SECTION 12.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 53, nays 0.

HB 466, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 449. By Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Parsons of the 44th, Burns of the 159th and Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tippins of the 37th.

The consent was granted, and HB 449 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 449, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 449. By Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Parsons of the 44th, Burns of the 159th and Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility

for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tippins of the 37th.

The Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities offered the following substitute to HB 449:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide for an exemption; to provide for the marking of the locations of underground electronic traffic control devices and underground electronic traffic management facilities within rights of way of the Department of Transportation; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**
Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, is amended as follows:

"CHAPTER 9

25-9-1.
This chapter shall be known and may be cited as the 'Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act.'

25-9-2.
The purpose of this chapter is to protect the public from physical harm, prevent injury to persons and property, and prevent interruptions of utility service resulting from damage to utility facilities and sewer laterals caused by blasting or excavating operations by providing a method whereby the location of utility facilities and sewer

laterals will be made known to persons planning to engage in blasting or excavating operations so that such persons may observe proper precautions with respect to such utility facilities and sewer laterals.

25-9-3.

As used in this chapter, the term:

(1) 'Abandoned utility facility' means a utility facility taken out of service by a facility owner or operator on or after January 1, 2001.

(2) 'Betterments' means any upgrading of the utility facility being repaired made solely for the benefit of and at the election of the facility owner or operator and not attributable to the damage.

~~(2)~~(3) 'Blasting' means any operation by which the level or grade of land is changed or by which earth, rock, buildings, structures, or other masses or materials are rended, torn, demolished, moved, or removed by the detonation of dynamite or any other explosive agent.

~~(3)~~(4) 'Business days' means Monday through Friday, excluding the following holidays: New Year's Day, Birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and the following Friday, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day. Any such holiday that falls on a Saturday shall be observed on the preceding Friday. Any such holiday that falls on a Sunday shall be observed on the following Monday. If Christmas Eve falls on a Friday, it shall be observed on the preceding Thursday. If Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday, it shall be observed on the following Tuesday.

~~(4)~~(5) 'Business hours' means the time from 7:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. local time on business days.

~~(5)~~(6) 'Commission' means the Public Service Commission.

~~(6)~~(7) 'Corporation' means any corporation; municipal corporation; county; authority; joint-stock company; partnership; association; business trust; cooperative; organized group of persons, whether incorporated or not; or receiver or receivers or trustee or trustees of any of the foregoing.

~~(7)~~(8) 'Damage' means any impact or exposure that results in the need to repair a utility facility or sewer lateral due to the weakening or the partial or complete destruction of the facility or sewer lateral including, but not limited to, the protective coating, lateral support, cathodic protection, or the housing for the line, device, sewer lateral, or facility.

~~(8)~~(9) 'Design locate request' means a communication to the ~~utilities protection center~~ UPC in which a request for locating existing utility facilities for bidding, predesign, or advance planning purposes is made. ~~A design locate request shall not be used for excavation purposes.~~

~~(9)~~(10) 'Designate' means to stake or mark on the surface of the tract or parcel of land the location of a utility facility or sewer lateral.

~~(10)~~(11) 'Emergency' means a sudden or unforeseen occurrence involving a clear and imminent danger to life, health, or property; the interruption of utility services; or

repairs to transportation facilities that require immediate action.

(12) 'Emergency 9-1-1 call' means using the digits, address, Internet Protocol address, or other information to access or initiate contact with a public safety answering point.

~~(11)~~(13) 'Emergency notice' means a communication to the ~~utilities protection center~~ UPC to alert the involved facility owners or operators of the need to excavate due to an emergency that requires immediate excavation.

~~(12)~~(14)(A) 'Excavating' means any operation using mechanized equipment or explosives to move earth, rock, or other material below existing grade. Such term shall include, but shall not be ~~This includes but is not~~ limited to augering, blasting, boring, digging, ditching, dredging, drilling, driving-in, grading, plowing-in, ripping, scraping, trenching, and tunneling.

(B) Such term ~~'Excavating'~~ shall not include ~~pavement milling~~:

(i) Farming activities;

(ii) Milling or pavement repair that does not exceed the depth of the existing pavement or 12 inches, whichever is less~~. The term shall not include routine road~~; or

(iii) Routine road maintenance or railroad maintenance activities carried out by road maintenance or railroad employees or contractors, provided that such activities:

(I) Occur ~~occur~~ entirely within the right of way of a public road, street, railroad, or highway of the state;

(II) Are ~~are~~ carried out with reasonable care so as to protect any utility facilities and sewer laterals placed in the right of way by permit; are carried out within the limits of any original excavation on the traveled way, shoulders, or drainage ditches of a public road, street, railroad, or highway, and do not exceed 18 inches in depth below the grade existing prior to such activities; and~~, if~~

(III) If involving the replacement of existing guard rails and sign posts, replace such guard rails and sign posts in their previous locations and at their previous depth. ~~'Excavating' shall not include farming activities.~~

~~(13)~~(15) 'Excavator' means any person engaged in ~~excavating or blasting as defined in this Code section~~ blasting or excavating.

~~(14)~~(16) 'Extraordinary circumstances' means circumstances other than normal operating conditions which exist ~~and make~~ making it impractical or impossible for a facility owner or operator to comply with the provisions of this chapter. Such extraordinary circumstances may include, but shall not be limited to, hurricanes, tornadoes, floods, ice and snow, and other acts of God.

~~(15)~~(17) 'Facility owner or operator' means any person or entity with the sole exception of a homeowner ~~who~~ that owns, operates, or controls the operation of a utility facility.

~~(16)~~(18) 'Farming activities' means the tilling of the fields related to agricultural activities but ~~does~~ shall not include other types of mechanized excavating on a farm.

~~(17)~~(19) 'Horizontal directional drilling' or 'HDD' means a type of trenchless excavation that uses guidable boring equipment to excavate in an essentially

horizontal plane without disturbing or with minimal disturbance to the ground surface.
~~(18)~~(20) 'Large project' means an excavation that involves more work to locate utility facilities than can reasonably be completed within the requirements of subsection (a) of Code Section 25-9-7.
~~(19)~~(21) 'Local governing authority' means:
(A) A ~~a~~ county, municipality, or local authority created by or pursuant to a general, local, or special Act of the General Assembly, or by the Constitution of the State of Georgia~~. The term also includes any~~; and
(B) Any local authority that is created or activated by an appropriate ordinance or resolution of the governing body of a county or municipality individually or jointly with other political subdivisions of this state.
~~(20)~~(22) 'Locate request' means a communication between an excavator and the ~~utilities protection center~~ UPC in which a request for designating utility facilities, sewer laterals, or both is processed.
~~(21)~~(23) 'Locator' means a person ~~who~~ that is acting on behalf of facility owners and operators in designating the location of the utility facilities and sewer laterals of such owners and operators.
~~(22)~~(24) 'Mechanized excavating equipment' means all equipment ~~which is~~ powered by any motor, engine, or hydraulic or pneumatic device and which is used for excavating.
~~(23)~~(25) 'Milling' means the process of grinding asphaltic concrete.
~~(24)~~(26) 'Minimally intrusive excavation methods' means methods of excavation that minimize the potential for damage to utility facilities and sewer laterals. Such term shall ~~Examples~~ include, but ~~are not~~ shall not be limited to, air entrainment/vacuum extraction systems and water jet/vacuum excavation systems operated by qualified personnel and careful hand tool usage and other methods as determined by the ~~Public Service Commission. The term does~~ commission. Such term shall not include the use of trenchless excavation.
~~(25)~~(27) 'Permanent marker' means a visible indication of the approximate location of a utility facility or sewer lateral that can reasonably be expected to remain in position for the life of the facility. Such term shall include, but shall not be ~~The term includes, but is not~~ limited to, sewer cleanouts; water meter boxes; and etching, cutting, or attaching medallions or other industry accepted surface markers to curbing, pavement, or other similar visible fixed surfaces. ~~All permanent markers other than sewer cleanouts, water meter boxes, or any other visible component of a utility facility that establish the exact location of the facility must be placed accurately in accordance with Code Section 25-9-9 and be located within the public right of way. Sewer cleanouts, water meter boxes, or any other visible component of a utility facility that establishes the exact location of the facility must be located within ten feet of the public right of way to be considered a permanent marker.~~
~~(26)~~(28) 'Person' means an individual, firm, joint venture, partnership, association, local governing authority, state, or other governmental unit, authority, department, agency, or a corporation and shall include any trustee, receiver, assignee, employee,

agent, or personal representative thereof.
~~(27)~~(29) 'Positive response information system' or 'PRIS' means the automated information system operated and maintained by the ~~utilities protection center~~ UPC at its location that allows excavators, locators, facility owners or operators, and other affected parties to determine the status of a locate request or a design locate request.
(30) 'Public safety answering point' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 46-5-122.
~~(28)~~(31) 'Routine road maintenance' means work that is planned and performed on a routine basis to maintain and preserve the condition of the public road system and includes routine road surface scraping, mowing grass, animal removal, cleaning of inlets and culverts, trash removal, striping and striping removal, and cutting of trees; however, stump removal shall be considered excavation.
~~(29) 'Service area' means a contiguous area or territory which encompasses the distribution system or network of utility facilities by means of which a facility owner or operator provides utility service.~~
~~(30)~~(32) 'Sewer lateral' means an individual customer service line which transports waste water from one or more building units to a utility owned sewer facility.
~~(31)~~(33) 'Sewer system owner or operator' means the owner or operator of a sewer system. Sewer systems shall be considered to extend to the connection to the customer's facilities.
~~(32)~~(34) 'Traffic control devices' means all roadway or railroad signs, sign structures, or signals and all associated infrastructure on which the public relies for informational, regulatory, or warning messages concerning the public or railroad rights of way.
~~(33)~~(35) 'Traffic management system' means a network of traffic control devices, monitoring sensors, and personnel, with all associated communications and power services, including all system control and management centers.
~~(34)~~(36) 'Tolerance zone' means the width of the utility facility or sewer lateral plus 18 inches on either side of the outside edge of the utility facility or sewer lateral on a horizontal plane.
~~(35)~~(37) 'Trenchless excavation' means a method of excavation that uses boring equipment to excavate with minimal or no disturbance to the ground surface ~~and includes horizontal directional drilling~~. Such term shall include HDD.
~~(36)~~(38) 'Unlocatable facility' means an underground facility that cannot be marked with reasonable accuracy using generally accepted techniques or equipment commonly used to designate utility facilities and sewer laterals. Such term shall include, but shall not be ~~This term includes, but is not~~ limited to, nonconductive utility facilities and sewer laterals and nonmetallic underground facilities that have no trace wires or records that indicate a specific location.
~~(37)~~(39) 'Utilities ~~protection center~~ Protection Center' or 'UPC' means the corporation or other organization formed by facility owners or operators to provide a joint notification service for the purpose of receiving advance notification from persons planning to blast or excavate and distributing such notifications to its affected facility

owner or operator members.

~~(38)~~(40) 'Utility facility' means ~~an~~:

(A) An underground or submerged conductor, pipe, or structure used or installed for use in providing electric or communications service or in carrying, providing, or gathering gas, oil or oil products, sewage, waste water, storm drainage, or water or other liquids; or

(B) An underground electronic traffic control device or an underground electronic traffic management system.

All utility facilities shall be considered to extend up to the connection to the customer's facilities. Such term shall not include ~~The term does not include traffic control devices, traffic management systems, or~~ sewer laterals.

~~(39)~~(41) 'White lining' means marking the route of the excavation either electronically or with white paint, flags, stakes, or a combination of such methods to outline the dig site prior to notifying the UPC and before the locator arrives on the job.

25-9-4.

(a) Any person may submit a design locate request to the UPC. Such design locate request shall:

(1) Describe the tract or parcel of land for which the design locate request has been submitted with sufficient particularity, as defined by policies developed and promulgated by the UPC, to enable the facility owner or operator to ascertain the precise tract or parcel of land involved; and

(2) State the name, address, and telephone number of the person ~~who~~ that has submitted the design locate request, as well as the name, address, and telephone number of any other person authorized to review any records subject to inspection as provided in paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(b) Within ten ~~working~~ business days after a design locate request has been submitted to the UPC for a proposed project, the facility owner or operator shall respond ~~by the method requested by~~ to the person calling in the design locate request under the guidelines listed below:

(1) For single address requests, designate ~~Designate~~ or cause to be designated by a locator in accordance with Code Sections 25-9-7 and 25-9-9 the location of all utility facilities and sewer laterals within the area of the proposed excavation;

(2) For multiple address requests:

(A) Provide ~~to~~ the person submitting the design locate request the best available description of all utility facilities and sewer laterals in the area of proposed excavation, which might include drawings of utility facilities and sewer laterals already built in the area, or other facility records that are maintained by the facility owner or operator; or

~~(3)~~(B) Allow the person submitting the design locate request or any other authorized person to inspect or copy the drawings or other records for all utility facilities and sewer laterals within the proposed area of excavation.

(c) Upon responding using any of the methods provided in subsection (b) of this Code section, the facility owner or operator shall provide the response to the UPC in accordance with UPC procedures.
(d) A design locate request shall not be used for excavation purposes.
(e) A design locate request shall not be required as a condition for approving a utility permit application.

25-9-5.
(a) Except as otherwise provided by subsection (b) of this Code section, all facility owners or operators operating or maintaining utility facilities within the state shall participate as members in and cooperate with the UPC. No duplicative center shall be established. The activities of the UPC shall be funded by all facility owners or operators.
(b) Persons ~~who~~ that install water and sewer facilities or ~~who~~ that own such facilities until those facilities are accepted by a local governing authority or other entity are not required to participate as members of the UPC and shall not be considered facility owners or operators. All such persons shall install and maintain permanent markers~~, as defined in Code Section 25-9-3,~~ identifying all water and sewer facilities at the time of the facility installation. Notwithstanding the above, all owners or operators of water and sewer facilities that provide service from such facilities ~~are~~ shall be considered facility owners or operators and shall be members of the UPC.
(c) All permanent markers other than sewer cleanouts, water meter boxes, or any other visible components of a utility facility that establish the exact location of the utility facility shall be placed accurately in accordance with Code Section 25-9-9 and shall be located within the public right of way. Sewer cleanouts, water meter boxes, or any other visible components of a utility facility that establish the exact location of the utility facility shall be located within ten feet of the public right of way to be considered a permanent marker.
~~(c)~~(d) The UPC shall maintain a list of the name, address, and telephone number of the office, department, or other source from or through which information ~~respecting~~ as to the location of utility facilities of its participating facility owners or operators may be obtained during business hours on business days.

25-9-6.
(a) No person shall commence, perform, or engage in blasting or in excavating with mechanized excavating equipment on any tract or parcel of land in any county in this state unless and until the person planning the blasting or excavating has given 48 hours' notice by submitting a locate request to the UPC~~, beginning~~; such notice period shall commence the next business day after such notice is provided, excluding hours during days other than business days. Any person performing excavation is responsible for being aware of all information timely entered into the PRIS prior to the commencement of excavation. If, prior to the expiration of the 48 hour ~~waiting~~ notice period, all identified facility owners or operators have responded to the locate request, and if all

such facility owners or operators have indicated that their facilities either are not in conflict or have been marked, then the person planning to perform ~~excavation or~~ blasting or excavating shall be authorized to commence work, subject to the other requirements of this Code section, without waiting the full 48 hours. The 48 hours' notice shall not be required for excavating where minimally intrusive excavation methods are used exclusively. Any locate request received by the UPC after business hours shall be deemed to have been received by the UPC the next business day. Such locate request shall:

(1) Describe the tract or parcel of land upon which the blasting or ~~excavation~~ excavating is to take place with sufficient particularity, as defined by policies developed and promulgated by the UPC, to enable the facility owner or operator to ascertain the precise tract or parcel of land involved;

(2) State the name, address, and telephone number of the person ~~who~~ that will engage in the blasting or excavating;

(3) Describe the type of blasting or excavating to be engaged in by the person; and

(4) Define the time frame ~~in~~ during which requested ~~excavation~~ blasting or excavating may occur.

(b) In the event the location upon which the blasting or excavating is to take place cannot be described with sufficient particularity to enable the facility owner or operator to ascertain the precise tract or parcel involved, the person proposing the blasting or excavating shall mark the route or boundary of the site of the proposed blasting or excavating by means of white ~~paint, white stakes, or white flags if~~ lining, as practical, or schedule an on-site meeting with the locator or facility owner or operator and inform the UPC, within a reasonable time, of the results of such meeting. The person marking a site ~~with~~ using white lining shall comply with the rules and regulations of the Department of Transportation as to the use of such markings so as not to obstruct signs, pavement markings, pavement, or other safety devices.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, notice given pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall expire 30 calendar days following the date of such notice, and no blasting or excavating undertaken pursuant to this notice shall continue after such time has expired. In the event that the blasting or excavating ~~which~~ that is the subject of the notice given pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section will not be completed within 30 calendar days following the date of such notice, an additional notice ~~must~~ shall be given in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section for the locate request to remain valid. Additional notices for an existing request shall not expand the tract or parcel of land upon which the blasting or excavation is to take place.

(d) For emergencies, notice shall expire at 7:00 A.M. three business days after the notification is made to the UPC.

(e) Except for those persons submitting design locate requests, no person, including facility owners or operators, shall request marking of a site through the UPC unless excavating is scheduled to commence. In addition, no person shall make repeated requests for re-marking, unless the repeated request is required for excavating to

continue or due to circumstances not reasonably within the control of such person. Any person ~~who~~ that willfully fails to comply with this subsection shall be liable to the facility owner or operator for $100.00 or for actual costs, whichever is greater, for each repeated request for re-marking.

(f) If, subsequent to giving the notice to the UPC required by subsection (a) of this Code section, a person planning excavating determines that such work will require blasting, then such person shall promptly so notify the UPC and shall refrain from any blasting until the facility owner or operator responds within ~~24~~ 48 hours, excluding hours during days other than business days, following receipt by the UPC of such notice.

(g) When a locate request is made in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section, excavators other than the person planning the blasting or excavating may conduct such activity, provided that the person planning the blasting or excavating shall remain responsible for ensuring that any stakes or other markings placed in accordance with this chapter remain in place and reasonably visible until such blasting or excavating is completed; and provided, further, that such blasting or excavating is:

(1) Performed on the tract or parcel of land identified in the locate request;

(2) Performed by a person authorized by and having a contractual relationship with the person planning the blasting or excavating;

(3) The type of blasting or excavating described in the locate request; and

(4) Carried out in accordance with all other requirements of this chapter.

(h) Facility owners or operators may bill an excavator their costs for any requests for re-marking other than for re-marks with no more than five individual addresses on a single locate request. Such costs shall be documented actual costs and shall not exceed $100.00 per re-mark request.

25-9-7.

(a)(1) Within 48 hours beginning the next business day following receipt by the UPC of the locate request filed in accordance with Code Section 25-9-6, excluding hours during days other than business days, each facility owner or operator shall determine whether or not utility facilities are located on the tract or parcel of land upon which the excavating or blasting is to occur. If utility facilities are determined to be present, the facility owner or operator shall designate, through stakes, flags, permanent markers, or other marks on the surface of the tract or parcel of land, the location of such utility facilities. This subsection shall not apply to large projects.

(2) Designation of the location of utility facilities through staking, flagging, permanent markers, or other marking shall be in accordance with the American Public Works Association (APWA) color code in place at the time the location of the utility facility is designated. Additional marking requirements beyond color code, if any, shall be prescribed by rules and regulations promulgated by the ~~Public Service Commission~~ commission.

(3) A facility owner or operator is not required to mark its own facilities ~~within 48 hours~~ pursuant to the time frame set out in paragraph (1) of this subsection if the

facility owner or operator or its agents are the only parties performing the excavation; however, such facilities shall be designated prior to the actual start of excavation.

(b)(1) Within 48 hours beginning the next business day following receipt by the UPC of the locate request filed in accordance with Code Section 25-9-6, excluding hours during days other than business days, each sewer system owner or operator shall determine whether ~~or not~~ sewer laterals are located or likely to be located on the tract or parcel of land upon which the ~~excavating or~~ blasting or excavating is to occur. If sewer laterals are determined to be present or likely to be present, then the sewer system owner or operator shall assist in designating sewer laterals up to the edge of the public right of way. Such assistance shall not constitute ownership or operation of the sewer lateral by the sewer system owner or operator. Good faith compliance with provisions of this subsection in response to a locate request shall constitute full compliance with this chapter, and no person shall be found liable to any party for damages or injuries as a result of performing in compliance with the requirements of this subsection.

(2) To assist in designating sewer laterals, the sewer system owner or operator shall provide its best available information regarding the location of the sewer laterals to the excavator. Such ~~This~~ information shall be conveyed to the excavator in a manner that may include, but shall not be limited to, any one of the following methods:

(A) Marking the location of sewer laterals in accordance with subsection (a) of this section, provided that:

(i) Any sewer lateral designated using the best available information shall constitute a good faith attempt and shall be deemed to be in compliance with this subsection, provided that such mark represents only the best available information of the sewer system owner or operator and may not be accurate; and

(ii) If a sewer lateral is unlocatable, a triangular green mark shall be placed at the sewer main pointing at the address in question to indicate the presence of an unlocatable sewer lateral;

(B) Providing electronic copies of or delivering the records through facsimile or by other means to an agreed upon location within 48 hours beginning the next business day following receipt by the UPC of the locate request filed in accordance with Code Section 25-9-6, excluding hours during days other than business days; provided, however, that for local governing authorities that receive fewer than 50 locate requests annually, the local governing authority may designate the agreed upon location and communicate such designation to the excavator;

(C) Arranging to meet the excavator on site to provide the best available information about the location of the sewer laterals;

(D) Providing the records through other processes and to other locations approved by documented agreement between the excavator and the facility owner or operator; or

(E) Any other reasonable means of conveyance approved by the commission after receiving recommendations from the advisory committee, provided that such means are equivalent to or exceed the provisions of subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of this

paragraph.

(c) Each facility owner or operator, either upon determining that no utility facility or sewer lateral is present on the tract or parcel of land or upon completion of the designation of the location of any utility facilities or sewer laterals on the tract or parcel of land as required by subsection (a) or (b) of this Code section, shall provide ~~this~~ such information to the UPC in accordance with procedures developed by the UPC, which may include the use of the PRIS. In no event shall such notice be provided later than midnight of the second business day following receipt by the UPC of actual notice filed in accordance with Code Section 25-9-6.

(d) In the event the facility owner or operator is unable to designate the location of the utility facilities or sewer laterals due to extraordinary circumstances, ~~the~~ such facility owner or operator shall notify the UPC and provide an estimated completion date in accordance with procedures developed by the UPC, which may include the use of the PRIS. The UPC shall also have the ability to declare extraordinary circumstances on behalf of any or all operators if the center is unable to transmit locate requests as required by this statute.

(e) If, at the end of the time period specified in subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section, any facility owner or operator has not complied with the requirements of subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this Code section, as applicable, the UPC shall issue a second request to each such facility owner or operator. If the facility owner or operator does not respond to ~~this~~ such additional request by 12:00 Noon of that business day, either by notifying the UPC in accordance with procedures developed by the UPC that no utility facilities or sewer laterals are present on the tract or parcel of land, or by designating the location of such utility facilities or sewer laterals in accordance with the provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section, as applicable, then the person providing notice pursuant to Code Section 25-9-6 may proceed with the ~~excavating or~~ blasting or excavating, provided that there is no visible and obvious evidence of the presence of an unmarked utility facility or sewer lateral on the tract or parcel of land. Such person shall not be subject to any liability resulting from damage to the utility facility or sewer lateral as a result of the blasting or excavating, provided that such person complies with the requirements of Code Section 25-9-8.

(f) If visible and obvious evidence of the presence of an unmarked utility facility or sewer lateral does exist and the facility owner or operator either refuses to comply with subsections (a) through (d) of this Code section, as applicable, or is not a member of the UPC, then the excavator shall attempt to designate such facility or sewer lateral prior to excavating. The facility owner or operator shall be strictly liable for the actual costs associated with the excavator designating such utility facilities and sewer laterals and any associated downtime. Such costs shall not exceed $100.00 or documented actual costs, whichever is greater, for each locate request.

(g) All utility facilities installed by facility owners or operators on or after January 1, 2001, shall be installed in a manner which will make them locatable using a generally accepted electronic locating method. All sewer laterals installed on or after January 1, 2006, shall be installed in a manner which will make them locatable by facility owners

or operators using a generally accepted electronic locating method. In the event that an unlocatable utility facility or unlocatable sewer lateral becomes exposed when the facility owner or operator is present or in the case of sewer laterals when the sewer utility owner or operator is present on or after January 1, 2006, such utility facility or sewer lateral shall be made locatable through the use of a permanent marker or an updating of permanent records.

(h) Facility owners or operators shall either maintain recorded information concerning the location and other characteristics of abandoned utility facilities, maintain such abandoned utility facilities in a locatable manner, or remove such abandoned utility facilities. Facility owners or operators shall provide information on abandoned utility facilities, when possible, in response to a locate request or design locate request. When the presence of an abandoned utility facility within an excavation site is known, the facility owner or operator should attempt to designate the abandoned utility facility or provide information to the excavator regarding such facilities. When located or exposed, all abandoned utility facilities and sewer laterals shall be treated as live utility facilities and sewer laterals.

(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, a facility owner or operator may use a locator to designate any or all utility facilities and sewer laterals. The use of a locator shall not relieve the facility owner or operator of any responsibility under this chapter. However, by contract a facility owner or operator may be indemnified by a locator for any failure on the part of the locator to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

(j) Large project rules shall be promulgated by the ~~Public Service Commission~~ commission. These rules shall include, but shall not be limited to, the establishment of detailed processes. Such rules may also include changes in the time period allowed for a facility owner or operator to comply with the provisions of this chapter and the time period for which designations are valid.

(k)(1) Within 48 hours beginning the next business day following receipt by the UPC of the locate request filed in accordance with Code Section 25-9-6, excluding hours during days other than business days, each facility owner or operator shall determine whether or not unlocatable facilities other than sewer laterals are present. In the event that such facilities are determined to be present, the facility owner or operator shall exercise reasonable care in locating such facilities. The exercise of reasonable care shall require, at a minimum, the use of the best available information to designate the facilities and notification to the UPC of such attempted location. Placing markers or otherwise leaving evidence of locations of facilities is deemed to be an acceptable form of notification to the excavator or locator.

(2) This subsection shall not apply to sewer laterals.

25-9-8.

(a) Persons engaged in blasting or in excavating with mechanized excavating equipment shall not strike, damage, injure, or loosen any utility facility or sewer lateral which has been staked, flagged, or marked in accordance with this chapter.

(b) When ~~excavating or~~ blasting or excavating is to take place within the tolerance zone, the excavator shall exercise reasonable care for the protection of the utility facility or sewer lateral, including permanent markers and paint placed to designate utility facilities. Such ~~This~~ protection shall include, but shall not be limited to, at least one of the following based on geographical and climate conditions: hand digging, pot holing, soft digging, vacuum excavation methods, pneumatic hand tools, or other technical methods that may be developed. Other mechanical methods may be used with the approval of the facility owner or operator.

(c) If the precise location of the underground facilities cannot be determined by the excavator, the facility owner or operator thereof shall be notified by the excavator so that the operator and the excavator shall work together to determine the precise location of the underground facilities prior to continuing the excavation.

(d) When conducting trenchless excavation the excavator ~~must~~ shall exercise reasonable care, as described in subsection (b) of this Code section, and shall take additional care to attempt to prevent damage to utility facilities and sewer laterals. ~~The recommendations of the HDD consortium applicable to the performance of trenchless excavation set out in the document 'Horizontal Directional Drilling Good Practice Guidelines,' dated May, 2001, are adopted by reference as a part of this subsection to describe such additional care.~~ The advisory committee may recommend to the commission more stringent criteria as it deems necessary to define additional care ~~and the~~. The commission is authorized to adopt additional criteria to define additional care.

(e) Any person engaged in blasting or in excavating with mechanized excavating equipment ~~who~~ that strikes, damages, injures, or loosens any utility facility or sewer lateral, regardless ~~of~~ as to whether the utility facility or sewer lateral is marked, shall immediately cease such blasting or excavating and notify the UPC and the appropriate facility owner or operator, if known. Upon receiving notice from the excavator or the UPC, the facility owner or operator shall send personnel to the location as soon as possible to effect temporary or permanent repair of ~~the~~ such damage. Until such time as the damage has been repaired, no person shall engage in ~~excavating or~~ blasting or excavating activities that may cause further damage to the utility facility or sewer lateral except as provided in Code Section 25-9-12.

(f) The excavator shall make an emergency 9-1-1 call to alert emergency services upon striking or damaging a utility facility that carries:

(1) Gas as defined in 49 C.F.R. Parts 192 and 193; or

(2) Hazardous liquid as defined in 49 C.F.R. Part 195.

25-9-9.

(a) For the purposes of this chapter, the location of utility facilities ~~which is~~ provided by a facility owner or operator in accordance with subsection (a) of Code Section 25-9-7 to any person ~~must~~ engaging in scheduled blasting and excavating shall be accurate to within 18 inches, measured horizontally from the outer edge of either side of such utility facilities. If any utility facility becomes damaged by an excavator due to the furnishing of inaccurate information as to its location by the facility owner or operator, ~~such~~ the excavator shall not be subject to any liability resulting from damage to the

utility facility as a result of the blasting or excavating, provided that such person engaging in scheduled blasting or excavating complies with the requirements of Code Section 25-9-8 and there is no visible and obvious evidence to the excavator of the presence of a mismarked utility facility.
(b) Upon documented evidence that the person seeking information as to the location of utility facilities has incurred losses or expenses due to inaccurate information, lack of information, or unreasonable delays in supplying information by the facility owners or operators, ~~the~~ such facility owners or operators shall be liable to ~~that~~ such person for any such losses or expenses.

25-9-10.
This chapter does not affect and is not intended to affect any right, title, power, or interest ~~which~~ that any facility owner or operator may have with relation to any utility facility or to any easement, right of way, license, permit, or other interest in or with respect to the land on which the utility facility is located.

25-9-10.1.
Utility facilities of a railroad within a right of way of such railroad shall be exempt from the provisions of this chapter.

25-9-10.2.
Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the marking of the locations of any underground electronic traffic control devices and any underground electronic traffic management facilities operated by the Department of Transportation shall be provided for by the Department of Transportation. Any request for the marking of such locations shall be submitted using either a single telephone number or an email contact address, both of which shall appear on any construction plans or permits issued by the Department of Transportation to any entity seeking permission to perform underground construction on a right of way of the Department of Transportation.

25-9-11.
This chapter does not affect and is not intended to affect any rights, powers, interest, or liability of the state or the Department of Transportation with respect to the state highway system, the county road system, or the municipal street system, or of a county with respect to the county road system or of a municipality with respect to the city street system, with relation to any utility facility which is or may be installed within the limits of any public road or street right of way, whether the installation is by written or verbal permit, easement, or any form of agreement whatsoever.

25-9-11.1.
No local governing authority shall enforce any ordinance or resolution which imposes fines for a violation of a local ordinance or resolution that establishes requirements for white lining, marking of utility facilities, re-marking of utility facilities, or otherwise

locating utility facilities or sewer laterals for any locate request or large project.

25-9-12.
The notice requirements provided by Code Section 25-9-6 shall not be required of persons performing emergency excavations ~~or excavation in extraordinary circumstances~~; provided, however, that any person ~~who~~ that engages in an emergency excavation ~~or excavation in extraordinary circumstances~~ shall take all reasonable precautions to avoid or minimize damage to any existing utility facilities and sewer laterals; provided, further, that any person ~~who~~ that engages in an emergency excavation ~~or excavation in extraordinary circumstances~~ shall give notice of ~~the~~ such emergency excavation as soon as practical to the UPC. In giving such notice, such person ~~must~~ shall specifically identify the dangerous condition involved. If it is later determined that the excavation did not qualify as an emergency excavation, all liabilities and penalties will accrue as if no notice had been given.

25-9-12.1.
The notice requirements provided by Code Section 25-9-6 shall be required of persons performing nonemergency excavations in an area where one or more facility owners or operators has declared extraordinary circumstances in accordance with subsection (d) of Code Section 25-9-7. When a situation of extraordinary circumstances has been declared, the excavator shall be responsible for securing knowledge of the PRIS status of all facility owners or operators in the area to be excavated, as not all facility owners or operators may have declared extraordinary circumstances. Once the PRIS status of all facility owners or operators is known, excavation may commence in accordance with the requirements of subsection (e) of Code Section 25-9-7. If there is visible and obvious evidence of the presence of an unmarked utility facility or sewer lateral of a facility owner or operator that has declared extraordinary circumstances, the excavator shall exercise reasonable care for the protection of such utility facilities and sewer laterals when excavating.

25-9-13.
(a) Any person ~~who~~ that violates the requirements of subsection (a), (f), or (g) of Code Section 25-9-6 and ~~whose subsequent excavating or blasting~~ when resultant blasting or excavating damages utility facilities or sewer laterals such person shall be strictly liable for:

(1) All costs incurred by the facility owner or operator in repairing or replacing its damaged facilities, excluding betterments. An investigation of any damages shall be initiated by the completion of the next business day following the repair of the reported damage. All repair invoices shall be sent to the excavator within 90 days; and

(2) Any injury or damage to persons or property resulting from damaging the utility facilities and sewer laterals.

(b) Each local governing authority is authorized to require by ordinance any bonds on

utility contractors or on persons performing ~~excavation or~~ blasting or excavating within ~~the~~ any public right of way or any dedicated utility easement as it may determine to assure compliance with subsection (a) of this Code section.

(c) Any person ~~who~~ that violates the requirements of Code Section 25-9-6 and ~~whose subsequent excavating or blasting~~ when resultant blasting or excavating damages utility facilities or sewer laterals such person shall also indemnify the affected facility owner or operator against all claims or costs incurred, if any, for personal injury, property damage, or service interruptions resulting from damaging the utility facilities and sewer laterals. Such obligation to indemnify shall not apply to any county, city, town, or state agency except as permitted by law.

(d) In addition to the other provisions of this Code section, a professional licensing board shall be authorized to suspend or revoke any professional or occupational license, certificate, or registration issued to a person pursuant to Title 43 w~~henever~~ in instances when such person has repeatedly violated the requirements of Code Section 25-9-6 or 25-9-8.

(e) Subsections (a), (c), and (d) of this Code section shall not apply to any person ~~who shall commence, perform, or engage~~ that commencing, performing, or engaging in blasting or in excavating with mechanized equipment on any tract or parcel of land in any county in this state if the facility owner or operator to which notice was given ~~respecting~~ with respect to such blasting or excavating with mechanized equipment as prescribed in subsection (a) of Code Section 25-9-6 has failed to comply with Code Section 25-9-7 or has failed to become a member of the UPC as required by Code Section 25-9-5. A facility owner or operator to which notice of blasting or excavating with mechanized equipment as prescribed in subsection (a) of Code Section 25-9-6 was given shall be prohibited from seeking claims for damages if no designation of utility facilities or sewer laterals was performed prior to the damage being incurred and the person blasting or excavating complied with the provisions in Code Section 25-9-8.

(f) The enforcement provisions of this Code section shall not apply to any person ~~who shall commence, perform, or engage~~ that commences, performs, or engages in blasting or in excavating with mechanized equipment within the curb lines or edges of the pavement of any public road and ~~who~~ that causes damage to a utility facility located within the roadway hard surface or the graded aggregate base therein if such person has complied with the provisions of this chapter and there is no indication that a utility facility is in conflict with the proposed excavation.

(g) Any person engaged in excavation in the concrete or asphalt of a state or local government maintained road for the purpose of road repair, full depth reclamation, potholing, or general road repair, that complies with Code Section 25-9-6 shall not be held liable for damage claims if the utility facility or sewer facility falls within the depth of the existing pavement and subbase materials or 12 inches below the road surface, whichever is less.

~~(g)~~(h) The commission shall enforce the provisions of this chapter. The commission may promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement the commission's authority to enforce this chapter.

(i) Enforcement actions brought under this chapter shall commence within three years from the date that the probable violation was reported to the commission.

~~(h)~~(j)(1) The Governor shall appoint an advisory committee ~~consisting of persons who are employees or officials of or who represent the interests of~~ as follows:

(A) One member to represent the Department of Transportation;

(B) One member to represent water systems or water and sewer systems owned or operated by local governing authorities;

(C) One member to represent the ~~utilities protection center~~ UPC;

(D) One member to represent water systems or water and sewer systems owned or operated by counties;

(E) One member to represent water systems or water and sewer systems owned or operated by municipalities;

(F) One member to represent the nonmunicipal electric industry;

(G) Five members to represent excavators to include the following:

(i) One licensed utility contractor;

(ii) One licensed general contractor;

(iii) One licensed plumber;

(iv) One landscape contractor; and

(v) One highway contractor;

(H) One member to represent locators;

(I) One member to represent the nonmunicipal telecommunications industry;

(J) One member to represent the nonmunicipal natural gas industry;

(K) One member to represent municipal gas, electric, or telecommunications providers; and

(L) The commission chairperson or such chairperson's designee.

The commission chairperson or his or her designee shall serve as chairperson of the advisory committee and shall cast a vote only in the case of a tie. Persons appointed to the advisory committee shall have expert knowledge of this chapter and specific operations expertise with the subject matter encompassed by the provisions of this chapter.

(2) The advisory committee shall establish rules of operation including an attendance policy. In the event a committee member resigns or fails to meet the criteria of the attendance policy, the advisory committee shall appoint an interim member to represent the same stakeholder group until such time as the Governor appoints a replacement.

(3) The advisory committee shall assist the commission in the enforcement of this chapter, make recommendations to the commission regarding rules and regulations, and perform duties to be assigned by the commission including, but not limited to, the review of reported violations of this chapter and the preparation of recommendations to the commission as to the appropriate penalties to impose on persons violating the provisions of this chapter.

(4) The members of the advisory committee shall be immune, individually and jointly, from civil liability for any act or omission done or made in the performance of

their duties while serving as members of such advisory committee, but only in the absence of willful misconduct.

~~(i)~~(k)(1) Commission enforcement of this chapter shall follow the procedures described in this subsection. Nothing in this subsection shall limit the authority of the commission delegated from the federal government and authorized in other state law.

(2)(A) The commission is not authorized to impose civil penalties on any local governing authority except as provided in this paragraph. The commission may recommend training for local governing authorities in response to any probable or proven violation. Civil penalties may be recommended for or imposed on any local governing authority for refusal to comply with the requirements of Code Section 25-9-7 or for other violations of Code Section 25-9-7 that result in injury to people, damage to property, or the interruption of utility service in the event that investigators find that a local governing authority has demonstrated a pattern of willful noncompliance. Civil penalties may be recommended or imposed on or after January 1, 2006, for violations of provisions of this chapter other than Code Section 25-9-7 in the event that investigators find that the severity of an excavation violation warrants civil penalties or that a local governing authority has demonstrated a pattern of willful noncompliance. Any such civil penalty shall be recommended or imposed in accordance with a tiered penalty structure designed for local governing authorities. In the event that the investigators determine that a local governing authority has made a good faith effort to comply with this chapter, the investigators shall not recommend a civil penalty. For purposes of this subsection 'refusal to comply' means that a utility facility owner or operator does not respond in PRIS to a locate request, does not respond to a direct telephone call to designate their facilities, or other such direct refusal. Refusal to comply ~~does~~ shall not mean a case where the volume of requests or some other mitigating circumstance prevents the utility owner or operator from locating in accordance with Code Section 25-9-7.

(B) No later than January 1, 2006, the advisory committee shall recommend to the commission for adoption a tiered penalty structure for local governing authorities. Such structure shall take into account the size, annual budget, gross receipts, number of utility connections and types of utilities within the territory of the local governing authority. Such penalty structure shall also take into account the number of locate requests received annually by the local governing authority, the number of locate codes made annually to the local governing authority from the UPC, the number of utility customers whose service may have been interrupted by violations of this chapter, and the duration of such interruptions. Such penalty structure shall also consider the cost of compliance. The penalty structure shall establish for each tier the maximum penalty per violation and per 12 month period at a level to induce compliance with this chapter. Such maximum penalty shall not exceed $5,000.00 per violation or $50,000.00 per 12 month period for the highest tier.

(3) If commission investigators find that a probable violation has occurred, they may recommend training in lieu of penalties to any person for any violation. The commission shall provide suggestions for corrective action to any person requesting

such assistance. Commission investigators shall make recommended findings or offers of settlement to the respondent.

(4) Any respondent may accept or disagree with the settlement recommended by the investigators. If the respondent disagrees with the recommended settlement, the respondent may dispute the settlement recommendation to the advisory committee. The advisory committee shall then render a recommendation either supporting the investigators' recommendation, rejecting the investigators' recommendation, or substituting its own recommendation. With respect to an investigation of any probable violation committed by a local governing authority, any recommendation by the advisory committee shall be in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection. In its deliberations the advisory committee shall consider the gravity of the violation or violations; the degree of the respondent's culpability; the respondent's history of prior offenses; and such other mitigating factors as may be appropriate. If the advisory committee determines that a respondent has made a good faith effort to comply with this chapter, the committee shall not recommend civil penalties against the respondent. To the extent that a respondent does not accept a settlement agreement or request to dispute the recommendation of the investigators to the advisory committee, the respondent shall be assigned to a hearing officer or administrative law judge.

(5) If any respondent disagrees with the recommendation of the advisory committee, after notice and hearing by a hearing officer or administrative law judge, such officer or judge shall make recommendations to the commission regarding enforcement, including civil penalties. Any such recommendations relating to a local governing authority shall comply with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection. The acceptance of the recommendations by the respondent at any point ~~will~~ shall stop further action by the investigators in ~~that~~ such case.

(6) When the respondent agrees with the advisory committee recommendation, the investigators shall present such agreement to the commission. The commission is then authorized to adopt the recommendation of the advisory committee regarding a civil penalty, or to reject such a recommendation. The commission is not authorized to impose a civil penalty greater than the civil penalty recommended by the advisory committee or to impose any civil penalty if the advisory committee does not recommend a civil penalty.

(7) The commission may, by judgment entered after a hearing on notice duly served on any person not less than 30 days before the date of the hearing, impose a civil penalty not exceeding $10,000.00 for each violation, if it is proved that the person violated any of the provisions of this chapter as a result of a failure to exercise additional care in accordance with subsection (d) of Code Section 25-9-8 or reasonable care in accordance with other provisions of this chapter. Any such recommendations relating to a local governing authority shall comply with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection. Any proceeding or civil penalty undertaken pursuant to this Code section shall neither prevent nor preempt the right of any party to obtain civil damages for personal injury or property damage in private

causes of action except as otherwise provided in this chapter.

~~(j)~~(l) All civil penalties ordered by the commission and collected pursuant to this Code section shall be deposited in the general fund of the state treasury."

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) All utilities shall organize, participate as members in, and cooperate with the utilities protection center. In lieu of organizing a new center, if the organization defined as the ~~utilities protection center in paragraph (21) of Code Section 25-9-2~~ Utilities Protection Center (UPC) in Code Section 25-9-3 undertakes to serve as the utilities protection center referred to in this part, it may do so and no duplicative center shall thereafter be established. The activities of the center relating to high-voltage lines shall be funded by all utilities."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 3.

HB 449, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 676. By Representatives Houston of the 170th, Dickey of the 140th, England of the 116th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Williams of the 148th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to agriculture, so as to create the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority; to amend Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Attorney General, so as to provide for the inclusion of the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority as a state authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The consent was granted, and HB 676 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 676, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 676. By Representatives Houston of the 170th, Dickey of the 140th, England of the 116th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Williams of the 148th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to agriculture, so as to create the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority; to amend Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Attorney General, so as to provide for the inclusion of the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority as a state authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other

purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs offered the following substitute to HB 676:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to farmers' markets, so as to provide for oversight by a legislative advisory committee; to provide for members, duties, and allowances; to provide for presentation of findings; to provide for planning; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to farmers' markets, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"2-10-53.1.

(a) The Commissioner shall establish, operate, and maintain this state's farmers' markets under the oversight of a legislative advisory committee to be composed as follows:

(1) The chairpersons of the House Appropriations Subcommittee for Economic Development and Tourism and the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee for Agriculture and Consumer Affairs or their designees, ex officio;

(2) The chairperson of the House Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee or his or her designee;

(3) The chairperson of the Senate Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee or his or her designee;

(4) Three members of the House of Representatives appointed by the chairperson of the House Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee; and

(5) Three members of the Senate appointed by the chairperson of the Senate Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee.

(b) The members of the legislative advisory committee shall appoint the committee's chairperson and vice-chairperson, who shall each serve two-year terms to coincide with the legislative biennium of the General Assembly.

(c) The members of the legislative advisory committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8.

(d) The legislative advisory committee created by this Code section shall be tasked with the duty to:

(1) Commission an independent study of the economic viability and public benefit of

each existing farmers' market with an analysis of the benefits to this state's agribusiness economy, including this state's farmers, food supply chain, grocers, restaurants, agri-tourism, local economies, and the effectiveness of the marketing of Georgia grown products. Upon completion of the study, the findings shall be presented to the legislative advisory committee; and

(2) Using such findings as provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection, coordinate with the Commissioner and the department to develop a five-year plan for all of this state's farmers' markets that maximizes the public benefit of all farmers' market properties and ensures efficient and fiscally responsible operation of such markets.

(e) This Code section shall stand repealed on January 10, 2027."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 3.

HB 676, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

At 6:06 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 7:00 p.m.

At 8:20 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 150. By Representatives Williamson of the 115th, Hatchett of the 150th, Kelley of the 16th, Frazier of the 126th, Parsons of the 44th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to public utilities and public transportation, so as to prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 60. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Albers of the 56th, Mullis of the 53rd, Robertson of the 29th, Payne of the 54th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 5 of Chapter 9 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia State Indemnification Fund, so as revise when indemnification shall be paid in instances of a heart attack, stroke, or vascular rupture suffered by a public safety officer resulting in certain disabilities or death; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 209. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Jackson of the 41st, Davenport of the 44th,

Harrell of the 40th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish in DeKalb County, Georgia, districts from which the members of the County Board of Education of DeKalb County shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide that the boundaries of the City of Atlanta independent school systems are not extended by annexation unless expressly approved in a separate local law or intergovernmental agreement; to provide for transfer of students; to provide for ownership of property and buildings; to provide for binding arbitration; to provide for no change in school system boundaries under certain circumstances; to provide for intergovernmental agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 295. By Senator Gooch of the 51st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the City of Cleveland Building Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 297. By Senators Miller of the 49th and Hatchett of the 50th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a method of compensating the members of the board of education of Hall County, approved February 25, 1991 (Ga. L. 1991, p. 3504), as amended, so as to revise such compensation; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 78. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 81. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 43rd,

Dugan of the 30th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-4-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Office of College and Career Transitions and powers and duties, so as to change the name of the Office of College and Career Transitions to the Office of College and Career Academies; to provide for increased technical skills; to provide for collaboration between the Technical College System of Georgia and certain entities to support efforts to recruit new industries and expand existing industries; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 95. By Senators Ginn of the 47th, Beach of the 21st, Albers of the 56th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 100. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th, Au of the 48th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe standard time year round until such time as Congress authorizes the states to observe daylight savings time; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 235. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Cowsert of the 46th, Harbison of the 15th, Kennedy of the 18th and Goodman of the 8th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to revise the offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; to clarify application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 255. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan

of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," so as to provide for a grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; to provide for criteria; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 275. By Senators Thompson of the 14th and Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a homestead exemption from certain Bartow County School District ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for certain residents of that school district who are 65 years of age or older, approved April 5, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 4904), as amended by an Act approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 3669), so as to increase the exemption amount; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 445 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 680 | Do Pass |
| HB 709 | Do Pass | HB 743 | Do Pass |
| HB 744 | Do Pass | HB 759 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 761 | Do Pass | HB 763 | Do Pass |
| HB 764 | Do Pass | HB 765 | Do Pass |
| HB 766 | Do Pass | HB 767 | Do Pass |
| HB 768 | Do Pass | HB 770 | Do Pass |
| HB 777 | Do Pass | HB 778 | Do Pass |
| HB 790 | Do Pass | HB 791 | Do Pass |
| HB 792 | Do Pass | HB 793 | Do Pass |
| HB 794 | Do Pass | HB 795 | Do Pass |
| HB 799 | Do Pass | HB 800 | Do Pass |
| HB 801 | Do Pass | HB 802 | Do Pass |
| HB 803 | Do Pass | HB 804 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Senator Jackson of the 41st asked unanimous consent that Senator Seay of the 34th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Seay was excused.

Senator Jones of the 25th asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 32. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Nix of the 69th, Hawkins of the 27th, Greene of the 151st, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 25th.

The consent was granted, and HB 32 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 32, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 32. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Nix of the 69th, Hawkins of the 27th, Greene of the 151st, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating

teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 25th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 32:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools in high-need subject areas; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements for participation; to provide for participation on an annual basis for up to five consecutive school years subject to certain conditions; to provide for annual reports; to provide an expiration date for new applications; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to grants for educational programs, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2-251, which is reserved, as follows:

"20-2-251.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Department' means the Department of Education.

(1.1) 'High-need subject area' means one of the three content areas for which there are the greatest percentages of unfilled positions for classroom teachers in a RESA service area as determined annually for each RESA service area by the department based upon a five-year average review of a survey reported by local school systems to the department.

(2) 'Participating local school system' means a local school system that participates in the program by receiving grant money from the state and disbursing it to participating teachers.

(3) 'Participating school' means a qualifying public school that has been selected by the

department to participate in the program.

(4) 'Participating teacher' means a teacher, as defined in subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-942, who is eligible to participate and does participate in the program.

(5) 'Postsecondary educational institution' means a school which is:

(A) A unit of the University System of Georgia, including any college or university under the government, control, and management of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia; or

(B) An independent or private college or university located in Georgia and eligible to be deemed an approved school as defined in paragraph (2) of Code Section 20-3-411.

(6) 'Program' means the teacher recruitment and retention program provided for in this Code section.

(7) 'Qualifying public school' means a public school that is located in a rural territory in this state or a school that has performed in the lowest 5 percent of schools in this state as identified in accordance with the state-wide accountability system established in the state plan pursuant to the federal Every Student Succeeds Act.

(8) 'Recently hired' means a teacher, whether a new or experienced teacher, who has accepted his or her first school year contract to teach at a qualifying public school for the 2021-2022 school year, for the current school year, or for the immediately upcoming school year.

(9) 'Rural territory' means territory that is more than five miles from the nearest 'urbanized area' and more than two and one-half miles from the nearest 'urban cluster' as such terms are defined in OMB Standards for Defining Metropolitan and Micropolitan Statistical Areas, 65 Fed. Reg. 82238.

(10) 'School year contract' means a contract of full-time employment between a teacher and a local board of education covering a full school year. A contract of employment for a portion of a school year shall not be counted as a school year contract, nor shall contracts of employment for portions of a school year be cumulated and treated as a school year contract. A contract of employment for any time outside a school year shall not be counted as a school year contract, nor shall contracts of employment for time outside a school year be cumulated and treated as a school year contract. A school year contract is deemed included within a contract of full-time employment between a teacher and a local board of education covering a full calendar or fiscal year.

(11) 'State board' means the State Board of Education.

(b) The state board shall establish a teacher recruitment and retention program. The purpose of such program shall be to encourage both new and experienced teachers to seek employment with qualifying public schools in high-need subject areas by providing for a refundable tax credit as provided for in Code Section 48-7-29.23 to each participating teacher in the amount of $3,000.00 per school year for no more than five school years, which must be consecutive, subject to conditions as provided for in this Code section. The state board is authorized to promulgate rules, regulations, policies, and procedures appropriate and necessary to implement and administer this program.

(c)(1) By October 1 of each year, the department shall determine which public schools

in this state are qualifying public schools and shall publish a list of all qualifying public schools on the department's website. For purposes of the program, a school that has been designated as a qualifying public school shall be eligible for selection as a participating school for the current school year and for at least the immediately upcoming school year. The department shall develop criteria for the selection of no more than 100 participating schools from the total number of qualifying public schools and shall publish such selection criteria simultaneously with the publication of the list of qualifying public schools on the department's website; provided, however, that such criteria shall include prioritizing qualifying public schools with teacher vacancies in high-need subject areas.

(2) By December 1 of each year, the department shall select no more than 100 participating schools and shall publish a list of all participating schools on the department's website. At this time, the department shall also publish a list of the high-need subject areas as determined for each RESA service area. A school that has been designated as a participating school shall be eligible to participate in the program for the current school year and for at least the immediately upcoming school year. The department shall determine the total number of participating teachers authorized for each participating school, as well as the high-need subject areas, which may be filled for each participating school.

(3) The department is authorized to receive applications from teachers who meet the eligibility criteria provided for in subsection (e) of this Code section and is authorized to share with participating local school systems and participating schools such applications and related materials submitted by teachers.

(4) The department is authorized to provide guidance and technical assistance to teachers, participating schools, and local school systems with participating schools regarding the program.

(d) The Office of Student Achievement, in consultation with the department, shall establish program objectives and shall annually measure and evaluate the program. Beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, by December 1 of each year, the Office of Student Achievement shall provide to the Governor, to the House Education Committee and the Senate Committee on Education and Youth, and to the state board a report covering the immediately preceding school year and including, at a minimum, the following information:

(1) The positions filled by participating teachers with corresponding information regarding the subject matter and grade or grades taught; and

(2) The length of time participating teachers have been participating in the program.

(e)(1) In order to be eligible to participate in the program, a teacher shall:

(A) Have been recently hired to teach in a high-need subject area at a participating school;

(B) Have attained a bachelor's degree in education from a postsecondary educational institution with a teacher certification program approved by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission; and

(C) Hold a valid five-year induction or professional certificate issued by the Georgia

Professional Standards Commission.

(2) Teachers who meet the eligibility criteria provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection and who wish to participate in the program shall submit to the department a completed application to participate in the program, on a form and in a manner prescribed by the department. Each application shall, at a minimum, include:

(A) A copy of the teacher's school year contract to teach at a participating school; and

(B) Written verification from the principal or other school personnel of the participating school that the teacher was recently hired as defined in this Code section.

(3)(A) Eligible teachers who complete the application process prescribed by the department shall be accepted to participate in the program on annual basis, subject to continuation of the program and the provisions of subsection (g) of this Code section and except for good cause shown by the department.

(B) A teacher who is accepted by the department to participate in the program shall be allowed to continue as a participating teacher in the program on an annual basis for up to five school years, which must be consecutive, provided that he or she remains employed pursuant to a school year contract as a teacher at the same school continuously, regardless of whether the school remains a participating or qualifying public school and regardless of whether the participating teacher's subject area remains a high-need subject area, and subject to continuation of the program and the provisions of subsection (g) of this Code section and except for good cause shown by the department.

(C) A participating teacher who is involuntarily transferred to another school within the same participating local school system shall be eligible to continue participating in the program on the same terms and conditions as provided in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph. A participating teacher who voluntarily transfers to another school shall not be eligible to continue participating in the program effective immediately upon the transfer.

(D) A participating teacher who receives an annual summative performance evaluation rating of 'Ineffective,' as provided for in Code Section 20-2-210, shall be permanently ineligible to participate in the program upon the conclusion of the school year in which he or she received such rating.

(E) A participating teacher who lawfully takes a leave of absence pursuant to any state or federal law shall retain eligibility to continue participating in the program provided he or she remains employed pursuant to a school year contract as a teacher at the same school continuously.

(f) By July 31 of each year, the department shall notify the state revenue commissioner of each participating teacher who has satisfied all terms and conditions of the program for the immediately preceding school year.

(g) The number of participating teachers in the program in any school year shall be limited to 1,000 participating teachers state wide. In the discretion of the department, participation in the program may be determined according to the following order of priority:

(1) Participating teachers shall be prioritized over teachers not yet participating in the program; and

(2) Among teachers participating in the program, those who are currently teaching a high-need subject area shall be prioritized over those who are not teaching a high-need subject area, and those with greater seniority in the program shall be prioritized over those with less seniority.

(h) No new applications for the program shall be accepted after December 31, 2026.

~~Reserved.~~"

**SECTION 2.**

Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from income taxes, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-7-29.23.

(a) A taxpayer who is designated by the Department of Education as a participating teacher in the teacher recruitment and retention program provided for in Code Section 20-2-251 shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Code Section 48-7-20 in an amount equal to $3,000.00.

(b) If the total amount of the tax credit provided for in this Code section exceeds the taxpayer's income tax liability for a taxable year, such excess amount shall be refunded to the taxpayer.

(c) The commissioner shall be authorized to promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective July 1, 2021, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 32, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 282. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, England of the 116th, Hatchett of the 150th, Watson of the 172nd and Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of qualified timberland property, so as to add a definition; to limit the determination of fair market value to a weighted market and income approach to valuation; to revise certain requirements for certification of qualified timberland property; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The consent was granted, and HB 282 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 282, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

Senator Tillery of the 19th asked unanimous consent that Senator Jordan of the 6th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Jordan was excused.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 282. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, England of the 116th, Hatchett of the 150th, Watson of the 172nd and Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of qualified timberland property, so as to add a definition; to limit the determination of fair market value to a weighted market and income approach to valuation; to revise certain requirements for certification of qualified timberland property; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 282:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of qualified timberland property, so as to add a definition; to limit the determination of fair market value to a weighted market and income approach to valuation; to revise certain requirements for certification of qualified timberland property; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of qualified timberland property, is amended by revising Code Section 48-5-600, relating to definitions, as follows:

"48-5-600.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Bona fide production of trees' means the good faith, real, actual, and genuine production of trees for commercial uses.

(2)(A) 'Contiguous' means real property within a county that abuts, joins, or touches and has the same undivided common ownership.

(B) If an applicant's tract is divided by a county boundary, public roadway, public easement, public right of way, natural boundary, land lot line, or railroad track, then the applicant may make an election at the time of application to declare the tract as contiguous irrespective of a county boundary, public roadway, public easement, public right of way, natural boundary, land lot line, or railroad track.

(3) 'Qualified owner' means an individual or entity that meets the conditions of Code

Section 48-5-603.

~~(3)~~(4) 'Qualified timberland property' means timberland property that meets the conditions of Code Section 48-5-604.

~~(4)~~(5) 'Timberland property' means tangible real property that has as its primary use the bona fide production of trees for the primary purpose of producing timber for commercial uses."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 48-5-602, relating to adoption and maintenance of qualified timberland property manual, as follows:

"(d) Such manual shall contain:

(1) Complete parameters for the appraisal of qualified timberland property, which shall be limited to determining the fair market value of qualified timberland property through a market approach to valuation, which shall constitute 50 percent of the value, and an income approach to valuation, which shall constitute 50 percent of the value;

(2) A table of regional values for qualified timberland property based on the geographic locations and productivity levels within the state; and

(3) A prescription of methods and procedures by which identification data, appraisal and assessment data, sales data, and any other information relating to the appraisal and assessment of property shall be furnished to the department using electronic data processing systems and equipment."

**SECTION 3.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 48-5-604, relating to certification as qualified timberland property, requirements, annual updating, audit, and filing with county tax officials, as follows:

"48-5-604.

(a) Upon application by a qualified owner, the commissioner shall certify as qualified timberland property any timberland property that is titled to a qualified owner, provided that:

(1) The timberland property is at least 50 contiguous acres;

(2) The production of trees on the timberland property is being done for the purpose of making a profit and is the primary activity taking place on the property;

(3) A consistent effort has been clearly demonstrated in land management in accordance with accepted commercial forestry practices, which may include reforestation, periodic thinning, undergrowth control of unwanted vegetation, fertilization, prescribed burning, sales of timber, and maintenance of firebreaks; and

(4) Such qualified owner:

(A) Submits a list of all parcels to the commissioner that contain timberland property and that identify the specific portions of such parcels that such owner certifies are timberland property; and

(B) Certifies that such timberland property is used for the bona fide production of trees and that:

(i) There is a reasonable attainable economic salability of the timber products within a reasonable future time; and

(ii) The production of trees is being done for the purpose of making a profit and is the primary activity taking place on the property.

(b)(1) The qualified owner's submission provided for in paragraph (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be certified by the qualified owner through the submission of an affidavit. Such submission ~~and~~ shall be updated annually through the submission of a new affidavit filed together with such qualified owner's return required by subsection (a) of Code Section 48-5-601. For each application or annual update, a qualified owner shall be entitled to submit one such affidavit covering all of the qualified owner's timberland property. With respect to the provisions of subparagraph (a)(4)(B) of this Code section, the requirements shall be satisfied through an attestation by the qualified owner in the required affidavits that the timberland property is used for the bona fide production of trees and is consistently managed with generally accepted commercial forestry practices. If such conditions are not met annually, the real property at issue shall be decertified as qualified timberland property and the commissioner shall notify the respective county tax officials of such decertification by April 15 of the respective year.

(2) The commissioner shall be authorized to conduct an audit of any list submitted pursuant to this Code section.

(3) With respect to the list of all parcels that contain timberland property that is required to be submitted to the commissioner pursuant to subparagraph (a)(4)(A) of this Code section, the commissioner shall accept:

(A) A parcel map drawn by the county cartographer or GIS technician and signed by the county board of assessors and qualified owner;

(B) A legal description of the property;

(C) A plat of the property prepared by a licensed land surveyor showing the location and measured area of the parcel; or

(D) A written legal description of the property delineating the metes and bounds and measured area.

(4) With respect to the certification that such timberland property is used for the bona fide production of trees that is required pursuant to subparagraph (a)(4)(B) of this Code section, the qualified owner shall not be required to submit a simple Forest Management Plan.

(c) The commissioner shall file certifications of qualified timberland property with the respective county tax officials in which any of such real property exists by April 15 each year."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 282, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 287. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, Jasperse of the 11th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to include tobacco and vapor products in the course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs required each year for all students in grades kindergarten through 12; to revise implementation dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The consent was granted, and HB 287 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 287, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 287. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, Jasperse of the 11th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to include tobacco and vapor products in the course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs required each year for all students in grades kindergarten through 12; to revise implementation dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Education and Youth offered the following substitute to HB 287:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to include human trafficking awareness for grades six through 12 in the course of instruction regarding health and physical education; to include vapor products in such course of instruction for kindergarten through grade 12; to include tobacco and vapor products in the course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs required each year for grades kindergarten through 12; to revise implementation dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, is amended in Code Section 20-2-142, relating to prescribed courses, by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c)(1) The State Board of Education shall prescribe a course of study in health and physical education for all grades and grade levels in the public schools and shall establish minimum time requirements and standards for its administration. The course shall include instruction concerning the impact of alcohol, tobacco, vapor products, and

drug use upon health. A manual setting out the details of such courses of study shall be prepared or approved by the State School Superintendent in cooperation with the Department of Public Health, the state board, and such expert advisers as they may choose. The Department of Education is directed to assemble or develop instructional resources and materials concerning alcohol and drug abuse, taking into consideration technological enhancements available for utilization of such instructional resources.

(2) The State Board of Education shall prescribe a course of study in human trafficking awareness for grades six through 12, which may be included as part of the health and physical education course of study provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended by revising Code Section 20-2-144, relating to mandatory instruction concerning alcohol and drug use, as follows:

"20-2-144.

(a) Each local board of education shall prescribe mandatory instruction concerning alcohol, tobacco, vapor products, and other drug use in every year in every grade from kindergarten through grade 12 as shall be determined by the State Board of Education. Such course of study shall implement the minimum course of study provided for in subsection (b) of this Code section or its equivalent, as approved by the State Board of Education. Each local board of education may supplement the exact approach of content areas of such minimum course of study with such curriculum standards as it may deem appropriate. Such standards shall include instruction which discourages the use of alcohol, tobacco, vapor products, and controlled substances and communicates that the use of illicit drugs and improper use of legally obtained drugs is wrong and dangerous.

(b) The State Board of Education shall prescribe a minimum course of study of alcohol, tobacco, vapor products, and other drug use which may be included as a part of a course of study in comprehensive health education where offered and where appropriate. Instruction also shall be integrated into other curriculum requirements as determined by the State Board of Education. The course shall be age appropriate, shall be sequential in method of study, and shall include the following elements where appropriate in the instruction:

(1) Detailed, factual information regarding physiological, psychological, sociological, and legal aspects of substance abuse;

(2) Detailed information concerning the availability of help and assistance for persons with chemical dependency problems;

(3) Skills needed to evaluate advertisements for, and media portrayals of, alcohol, tobacco, vapor products, and controlled substances; and

(4) Detailed instruction on the need for, and role of, lawful authority and law-abiding behavior, which instruction may include interacting and working with members of the legal and justice professions.

(c) A manual setting out the details of such course of study shall be prepared by or approved by the State School Superintendent in cooperation with the Department of Public Health, the State Board of Education, the Department of Public Safety, and such

expert advisers as they may choose.

(d) The minimum course of study to be prescribed by the State Board of Education pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall be ready for implementation not later than July 1, ~~1990~~ 2021. Each local board shall implement either such minimum course of study or its equivalent not later than December 31, ~~1990~~ 2021. Any local board of education which fails to comply with this subsection shall not be eligible to receive any state funding under this article until such minimum course of study or its equivalent has been implemented."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 287, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 328. By Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Gullett of the 19th, Parsons of the 44th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to telephone service general provisions, so as to establish a one-time right of way permit fee and reduce annual right of way use fees as due compensation paid to municipal authorities by telephone companies that do not have retail, end user customers located within the boundaries of the municipal authority; to provide certain notice requirements; to establish a civil penalty; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

The consent was granted, and HB 328 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), HB 328, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 328. By Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Gullett of the 19th, Parsons of the 44th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 46 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to telephone service general provisions, so as to establish a one-time right of way permit fee and reduce annual right of way use fees as due compensation paid to municipal authorities by telephone companies that do not have retail, end user customers located within the boundaries of the municipal authority; to provide certain notice requirements; to establish a civil penalty; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

Senators Ginn of the 47th, Jackson of the 2nd, Merritt of the 9th, Albers of the 56th, Thompson of the 14th and others offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend HB 328 (LC 36 4712S) by replacing* "5¢" *with* "20¢" *on line 281.*

Senators Ginn of the 47th, Gooch of the 51st, Burns of the 23rd and Au of the 48th offered the following amendment #2:

*Amend HB 328 (LC 36 4712S) by replacing lines 268 and 269 with the following:*

~~(18)~~(19) If a telephone company ~~does not have retail, end user customers located within the boundaries of a municipal authority~~ is not paying due compensation under paragraph (9) of of this subsection, then the ~~payment~~ following shall apply:

*By replacing lines 281 and 282 with the following:*

~~for the use of its rights of way~~ effective January 1, 2022, or a telephone companies that provide any service to any location within the boundaries of a municipal authority, payment at the rate of 5¢ per linear foot annually shall be considered due compensation and, for telephone companies that do not provide any service to any location within the boundaries of a municipal authority, Payment at the rate of 20¢ per linear foot annually shall be considered the payment of due compensation;

Senators Ginn of the 47th, Burns of the 23rd, Gooch of the 51st, Albers of the 56th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others offered the following amendment #3:

*Amend HB 328 (LC 36 4712S) by replacing lines 268 and 269 with the following:*

~~(18)~~(19) If a telephone company does not have retail, end user customers located within the boundaries of a municipal authority, then the ~~payment~~ following shall apply:

*By replacing lines 281 and 282 with the following:*

~~for the use of its rights of way~~ effective January 1, 2022, for telephone companies that provide any broadband services to any location within the boundaries of a municipal authority, payment at the rate of 5¢ per linear foot annually shall be considered due compensation, and for telephone companies that do not provide any broadband services to any location within the boundaries of a municipal authority, payment at the rate of 19¢ per linear foot annually shall be considered the payment of due compensation. As used in this subparagraph, the term 'broadband services' shall have the same meaning as provided in Code Section 50-40-1;

Senator Ginn of the 47th asked unanimous consent that his amendments #1 and #2 be withdrawn. The consent was granted, and the amendments were withdrawn.

On the adoption of the amendment #3, there were no objections, and the Ginn amendment #3 to the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | N McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 34, nays 15.

HB 328, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

Pursuant to Senate Rule 2-1.10 (c), the committee on Rules recommends the following legislation do pass by substitute:

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| HB 44 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 327 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 333 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 392 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 498 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 577 | Do Pass by substitute |
| HB 588 | Do Pass by substitute | HB 591 | Do Pass by substitute |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Mr. President,

The Committee on Rules has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

SR 300 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Mullis of the 53rd District, Chairman

Senator Miller of the 49th asked unanimous consent that the following resolution, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

SR 281. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th and Burke of the 11th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Study Committee on Violence Against Health Care Workers; and for other purposes.

The consent was granted, and SR 281 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-3.5(b), SR 281, having been taken from the Table, was placed at the foot of the Senate Calendar.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 281. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hatchett of the 50th and Burke of the 11th:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Study Committee on Violence Against Health Care Workers; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

SR 281, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved to engross HB 160, HB 333, HB 498, HB 574, HB 575, and HB 588, which were on today's Senate Supplemental Rules Calendar.

Senator Butler of the 55th objected.

On the motion a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 33, nays 16; the motion prevailed, and HB 160, HB 333, HB 498, HB 574, HB 575, and HB 588 were engrossed.

SENATE SUPPLEMENTAL RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021
THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| HB 44 | State government; Georgia shall observe daylight savings time year round; provide (Substitute)(GvtO-1st) Cantrell-22nd |
| HB 97 | Courts; oath for certain clerks of the probate court; require and provide (SJUDY-50th) Leverett-33rd |
| HB 160 | Revenue and taxation; water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST); provide for audits of tax by state auditor under certain conditions (Substitute)(FIN-39th) Boddie-62nd |
| HB 236 | Domestic relations; additional monitoring of victim after granting of a temporary protective order; provide (PUB SAF-29th) Neal-74th |
| HB 244 | Insurance; flood risk reduction in the enumerated list of county purposes for ad valorem taxes; include (I&L-3rd) Hogan-179th |
| HB 258 | Crimes and offenses; response to State v. Williams, 2020 Ga. LEXIS 85; provisions (JUDY-3rd) Sainz-180th |
| HB 289 | Motor vehicles; issuance of Class C drivers' licenses; provide for requirements (Substitute)(PUB SAF-29th) Belton-112th |
| HB 291 | Education; tuition equalization grants at private colleges and universities; expand definition of approved school (H ED-17th) Dempsey-13th |
| HB 327 | Organized Retail Crime Prevention Act; enact (Substitute)(JUDY-56th) Momtahan-17th |
| HB 333 | Ethics in Government Act of 2021; enact (Substitute)(ETHICS-17th) Efstration-104th |

HB 383 State government; certain contracts; Israel; provisions (Substitute)(JUDY-32nd) Carson-46th

HB 392 Alcoholic beverages; licenses for retail sale packages of alcoholic beverages for consumption off premises shall be subject to regulation as to distance from schools as determined by the local governing authority; provide (Substitute)(RI&U-53rd) Ridley-6th

HB 498 Ad valorem tax; property; expand an exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products (Substitute)(FIN-20th) Watson-172nd

HB 574 Animals; Companion Local Government Animal Trust Fund for reimbursement of impoundment expenses incurred by local governments; provide (Substitute)(FIN-25th) Camp-131st

HB 575 Ad valorem tax; authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use (Substitute)(FIN-18th) Dickey-140th

HB 577 Highways, bridges, and ferries; proposal guaranty for bids upon certain projects; provide (Substitute)(TRANS-51st) Carpenter-4th

HB 579 Public Safety and Judicial Facilities Act; enact (PUB SAF-10th) Oliver-82nd

HB 588 Transportation; eligible expenditures; Georgia Freight Railroad Program; provisions (Substitute)(FIN-51st) Jasperse-11th

HB 591 Mental health; marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians and others are authorized to perform; authorize (Substitute)(JUDY-32nd) Hogan-179th

HB 606 HOPE scholarships; add Georgia Independent School Association to the list of accrediting agencies (H ED-28th) Nix-69th

HB 681 Education; course of study in financial literacy for students in tenth or eleventh grade; provide (Substitute)(ED&Y-14th) Yearta-152nd

HR 144 Katie Poff Memorial Interchange; Baldwin County; dedicate

(Substitute)(TRANS-45th) Williams-145th

HR 248 Savannah Logistics Technology Innovation Corridor; designate (ED&T-1st) Stephens-164th

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The following legislation, favorably reported by the committee, as listed on the Senate Consent Calendar Expressing the Will of the Senate, was put upon its adoption:

CONSENT CALENDAR EXPRESSING THE WILL OF THE SENATE
MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021
THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

SR 11 Georgia Recyclers Association, the Georgia Recycling Coalition, and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries and their employees; recognize (Substitute)(RULES-47th)

SR 117 Democratic Party of Clayton County and the Young Democrats of Clayton County; recognize (RULES-34th)

SR 125 Georgia Companies and Institutions; equitable and diverse gender representation on the boards and in the senior management; encourage (RULES-2nd)

SR 167 Taiwan; relations with the United States and the State of Georgia; commend (RULES-21st)

SR 177 Seay, Senator Valencia; recognize (RULES-34th)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The substitute to the following resolution was put upon its adoption:

*SR 11:

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to SR 11:

A RESOLUTION

Recognizing and commending the Georgia Recyclers Association, the Georgia Recycling Coalition, the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, and their employees for their economic contributions to Georgia; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, during the COVID-19 pandemic, it has been necessary to keep Georgia's manufacturing industry operational; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's manufacturing industry is a leader in the production of steel, paper and paper products, electronics, aluminum, plastics, textiles, tires, and glass, and it continues to produce these materials and products important to the citizens of Georgia, the United States, and the world; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's manufacturers must have a constant and reliable supply of raw materials in order to produce these materials and products; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's manufacturers would not have access to needed raw materials without the collection, processing, and manufacturing of recyclable and recovered materials into raw materials by Georgia's recycling industry; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of this fact, Georgia's recyclers have been deemed important businesses and workers from the onset of the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's recyclers have followed all appropriate and required protocols and, as a result, have operated safely, protecting their employees and customers; and

WHEREAS, throughout the pandemic, hundreds of thousands of tons of valuable recyclable materials, such as automobiles, scrap metal, electronics, paper, glass, plastics, rubber, and textiles, have been kept out of Georgia's landfills and manufactured into valuable raw materials; and

WHEREAS, those raw materials have been used by manufacturers in Georgia and throughout the world to manufacture products from toilet paper to respirators to new automobiles; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's recycling industry has provided used auto parts for reuse, allowing Georgia's citizens to safely and economically repair their automobiles and maintain reliable transportation throughout the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's recycling industry has collected, repaired, and redeployed tens of thousands of mobile technology devices, becoming an alternative supplier to education and corporate entities, facilitating students' remote learning, and supporting our great citizens working from home when international supply chains were disrupted during the pandemic, causing shortages of these devices; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's recycling industry has collected, sorted, and reclaimed plastic products and packaging, which could be used as feedstock to manufacture products that enhance hygiene and sanitation, such as disposable hospital gowns and garbage bags; and

WHEREAS, Georgia's recycling industry has continued to collect and recycle scrap tires, protecting public health and the environment and producing valuable rubber products such as those used in vital infrastructure projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body recognize the Georgia Recyclers Association, the Georgia Recycling Coalition, the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, and their employees as necessary for the production and manufacture of goods and products in Georgia and throughout the world.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body commend the Georgia Recyclers Association, the Georgia Recycling Coalition, and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries for their role in maintaining the economic viability of the supply chain for Georgia's manufacturers and their employees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the members of the Georgia Recyclers Association, the Georgia Recycling Coalition, and the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries.

On the adoption of the substitute, there was no objection, and the substitute was adopted.

The reports of the committees, which were favorable to the adoption of the resolutions as reported, were agreed to.

On the passage of the bills on the Senate Consent Calendar Expressing the Will of the Senate, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | E Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolutions, the yeas were 43, nays 5.

The resolutions on the Senate Consent Calendar Expressing the Will of the Senate, except SR 11, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were adopted.

SR 11, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that Senator Robertson of the 29th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Robertson was excused.

The following legislation, favorably reported by the committee, as listed on the Senate Consent Calendar for Study Committees/Commissions, was put upon its adoption:

SENATE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR STUDY COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS
MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021
THIRTY-NINTH LEGISLATIVE DAY

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| SR 129 | Senate Retirement Security for Georgians Study Committee; create (RULES-36th) |
| SR 151 | Senate Sickle Cell Anemia Study Committee; create (RULES-15th) |
| SR 192 | Senate Age of Mandatory Education Study Committee; create (RULES-54th) |
| SR 203 | Senate Outdoor Learning Study Committee; create (RULES-5th) |

SR 283 Senate Improving Access to Healthy Foods and Ending Food Deserts Study Committee; create (RULES-22nd)

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Mullis of the 53rd, Chairman
Senate Rules Committee

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the legislation on the Senate Consent Calendar for Study Committees/Commissions, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | E Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | E Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the legislation, the yeas were 47, nays 2.

The legislation on the Senate Consent Calendar for Study Committees/Commissions, having received the requisite constitutional majority was adopted.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that all bills and resolutions on the Senate Supplemental Rules Calendar be placed on the Table. The consent was granted, and HB 44, HB 97, HB 160, HB 236, HB 244, HB 258, HB 289, HB 291, HB 327,

HB 333, HB 383, HB 392, HB 498, HB 574, HB 575, HB 577, HB 579, HB 588, HB 591, HB 606, HB 681, HR 144, and HR 248 were placed on the Table.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate stand adjourned pursuant to HR 264 until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Senate Chamber, Atlanta, Georgia
Wednesday, March 31, 2021
Fortieth Legislative Day

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 a.m. today and was called to order by the President.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

By unanimous consent, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal was confirmed.

The following communication was transmitted by the Secretary:

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

**FROM:** DAVID COOK

**DATE:** MARCH 31, 2021

**RE:** GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT

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The Committee on Assignments recommended that the Governor's appointment of Ms. Sandra Heath Taylor to the Board of Juvenile Justice be confirmed. The appointment is attached for your convenient reference and will be considered today.

The following Senate legislation was introduced, read the first time and referred to committee:

SB 321. By Senators Jones of the 10th, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd and Harrell of the 40th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the compensation of certain county officers and officials of DeKalb County, approved March 31, 1976 (Ga. L. 1976, p. 3986), as amended, so as to increase the salary of certain judges, judicial officers, and county officers; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

SR 324. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate City of Ringgold Charter Study Committee; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 326. By Senators Rahman of the 5th and Merritt of the 9th:

A RESOLUTION celebrating the anniversary of the signing of the Lahore Resolution on March 23, 1940, and recognizing March 23, 2021, as Pakistan Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

SR 329. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th and Jackson of the 41st:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate Study Committee on Excellence, Innovation, and Technology at Historically Black Colleges and Universities; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Rules.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

SR 331. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th and Jackson of the 41st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Renee Montgomery; and for other purposes.

The following committee reports were read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 771 Do Pass by substitute

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

Mr. President:

The Committee on Assignments has had under consideration the appointment made by the Governor that requires Senate confirmation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

That the appointment of Ms. Sandra Heath Taylor of Troup County to the Board of Juvenile Justice be confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Geoff Duncan
Hon. Geoff Duncan, Chairman

The following legislation was read the second time:

SR 300

Senator Davenport of the 44th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 43rd be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that the call of the roll be dispensed with. The consent was granted, and the roll call was dispensed with.

At 10:10 a.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease.

At 10:13 a.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the flag of Georgia.

Senator Miller of the 49th introduced the chaplain of the day, Mayor Hardie Davis of Augusta, Georgia, who offered scripture reading and prayer.

Senator Au of the 48th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Delphanie Head, M.D.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

SR 325. By Senator Tippins of the 37th:

A RESOLUTION commending and congratulating Inez S. Long; and for other purposes.

SR 327. By Senators Rahman of the 5th, Au of the 48th, Merritt of the 9th, Jordan of the 6th, Jackson of the 2nd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending National Association of Chinese-American's chairwoman and Asian Community Leader Lani Wong for her decades of public service and swift assistance in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic; and for other purposes.

SR 328. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th and Jackson of the 41st:

A RESOLUTION honoring Ambassador Andrew Jackson Young Jr. for his service to the City of Atlanta, Georgia, and the United States; and for other purposes.

SR 330. By Senators Halpern of the 39th, Butler of the 55th, Orrock of the 36th, Harrell of the 40th and Jackson of the 41st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 2021 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month; and for other purposes.

SR 332. By Senators Anderson of the 43rd, Davenport of the 44th, Jones II of the 22nd, Seay of the 34th, Butler of the 55th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Bishop-Elect Arthur James Croone; and for other purposes.

SR 333. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Parent of the 42nd and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of John F. Sweet; and for other

purposes.

SR 334. By Senators Orrock of the 36th, Butler of the 55th, Davenport of the 44th, Anderson of the 43rd, Jackson of the 41st and others:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Muriel E. Durley; and for other purposes.

SR 335. By Senator Rhett of the 33rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Alicia R. Smith; and for other purposes.

SR 336. By Senator Miller of the 49th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of James Allen "Mickey" Long; and for other purposes.

SR 337. By Senator Miller of the 49th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing March 11, 2021, as the ten-year anniversary of the devastating earthquake in Great East Japan; and for other purposes.

SR 338. By Senator Miller of the 49th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending John Keener; and for other purposes.

SR 339. By Senator Miller of the 49th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and celebrating the life and memory of Fred J. Moses Sr.; and for other purposes.

SR 340. By Senator Miller of the 49th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and congratulating Dr. Steve W. Wrigley upon his retirement as chancellor of the University System of Georgia; and for other purposes.

SR 341. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Burns of the 23rd, Hickman of the 4th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A RESOLUTION celebrating the birth of Cecilia Vianney Rudin; and for other

purposes.

SR 342. By Senator Orrock of the 36th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Eldson McGhee; and for other purposes.

SR 343. By Senator Orrock of the 36th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Paul Bolster; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the House and Senate:

HB 782. By Representatives Mallow of the 163rd, Stephens of the 164th, Hitchens of the 161st and Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Chatham Area Transit Authority, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 5082), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 11, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5296), so as to abolish the current authority memberships; to provide for new board membership and staggered terms; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 300. By Senator Hickman of the 4th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of commissioners for Tattnall County, approved August 18, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 674), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4730), so as to change certain provisions relating to compensation and expense supplements of the chairperson and members of the board of commissioners; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 302. By Senator Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for minimum compensation for certain county officers of Pulaski County, approved April

11, 1979 (Ga. L. 1979, p. 4129), so as to revise the compensation of future county officers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 304. By Senator Kennedy of the 18th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Peach County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for the appointment of members of the authority; to provide for a short title; to confer powers upon the authority; to provide for purpose and scope of operations of the authority; to provide for definitions; to authorize the issuance of revenue bonds of the authority; to fix and provide the venue and jurisdiction of actions relating to any provisions of this Act; to provide for moneys received and trust funds; to provide for tort immunity; to provide for tax exemption, rates, charges, and revenues; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 306. By Senators Jones of the 10th and Strickland of the 17th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a new Board of Commissioners of Henry County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3680), as amended, so as to revise provisions regarding vacancies on the board of commissioners; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 307. By Senator Walker III of the 20th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Pulaski County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

## SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR

Wednesday March 31, 2021
Fortieth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 445 Orrock of the 36th
Harrell of the 40th
Au of the 48th
Jordan of the 6th
Beach of the 21st
Tate of the 38th
**FULTON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

HB 680 Sims of the 12th
**STEWART COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3845), so as to revise provisions relating to purchases and bids; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 709 Harper of the 7th
McNeill of the 3rd
**WAYCROSS JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing that the governing authority of each county comprising the Waycross Judicial Circuit may supplement the compensation, salary, expenses, and allowances of each of the judges of the superior courts of the Waycross Judicial Circuit, approved March 20, 1985 (Ga. L. 1985, p. 3879), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 8, 2018 (Ga. L. 2018, p. 3975), so as to increase the amounts of such supplements; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 743 Kennedy of the 18th
**CITY OF FORT VALLEY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Fort Valley, approved August 22, 1907 (Ga. L. 1907,

p. 651), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2019 (Ga. L. 2019, 4170), so as to add three appointed members to the Utility Commission for the City of Fort Valley; to provide for the filling of vacancies on such commission; to remove provisions providing for agreements between the city and commission as to certain payments from the commission to the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 744 Jordan of the 6th
Rhett of the 33rd
**CITY OF SMYRNA**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Smyrna, approved August 27, 1931 (Ga. L. 1931, p. 955), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 759 Watson of the 1st
Jackson of the 2nd
**TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

HB 761 Anderson of the 43rd
**CITY OF LITHONIA**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Lithonia in DeKalb County, Georgia, approved May 5, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 4586), so as to change the corporate limits of the city; to provide for related matters; to provide for a referendum; to provide for contingent effective dates and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 763 Mullis of the 53rd
**CATOOSA COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the office of

commissioner of Catoosa County, approved February 12, 1943 (Ga. L. 1943, p. 858), as amended, particularly by an Act approved February 6, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 4501), so as to revise provisions regarding the compensation of the governing authority; to repeal provisions requiring the governing authority to maintain offices at the county courthouse; revise provisions relating to meetings of the governing authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 764 Mullis of the 53rd
**CITY OF FORT OGLETHORPE**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Fort Oglethorpe to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 765 Mullis of the 53rd
**CATOOSA COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Catoosa County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for liberal construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 766 Mullis of the 53rd
**CATOOSA COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize Catoosa County, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 767 Summers of the 13th
**LEE COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to authorize the

Magistrate Court of Lee County to charge a law library fee, approved April 2, 1998 (Ga. L. 1998, p. 4135), as amended, so as to revise permitted uses of funds raised from such fee; to establish a Magistrate Court Law Library Fund Committee; to provide for members, terms, appointments, and duties of such committee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 768 Ginn of the 47th
Hatchett of the 50th
Anderson of the 24th
**CITY OF ROYSTON**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Royston, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5918), so as to provide for city council posts; to revise election procedures; to update references to applicable general law; to revise provisions regarding election by plurality; to repeal outdated and expired provisions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 770 Gooch of the 51st
**GILMER COUNTY**

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

HB 771 Rhett of the 33rd
Jordan of the 6th
Thompson of the 14th
Kirkpatrick of the 32nd
Tippins of the 37th
Tate of the 38th
James of the 35th
**CITY OF AUSTELL**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Austell, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters;

to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

HB 777 Anderson of the 43rd
Butler of the 55th
Parent of the 42nd
Harrell of the 40th
Davenport of the 44th
Jones of the 10th
Jackson of the 41st
**DEKALB COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of DeKalb County, formerly known as the Civil and Criminal Court of DeKalb County, approved February 14, 1951 (Ga. L. 1951, p. 2401), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 13, 1957 (Ga. L. 1957, p. 3322), an Act approved February 18, 1960 (Ga. L. 1960, p. 2166), an Act approved March 3, 2015 (Ga. L. 2015, p. 3501), and an Act approved April 28, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3950), so as to provide definitions; to provide that the court shall be governed by general law related to state courts; to provide effective dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 778 Mullis of the 53rd
**CITY OF RINGGOLD**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Ringgold, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 790 Mullis of the 53rd
**CITY OF CHICKAMAUGA**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the City of Chickamauga Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 791 Rhett of the 33rd
**CITY OF POWDER SPRINGS**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Powder Springs, approved March 13, 1970 (Ga. L. 1970, p. 2760), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 4, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3969), so as to update the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 792 Tillery of the 19th
**WAYNE COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Wayne County Altamaha River and Leisure Services Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 793 Tillery of the 19th
**WAYNE COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Wayne County Public Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 794 Anderson of the 24th
Burns of the 23rd
Jones II of the 22nd
**RICHMOND COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act regulating public instruction for the County of Richmond, approved August 23, 1872 (Ga. L. 1872, p. 456), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 16, 1999 (Ga. L. 1999, p. 4322), so as to modify the compensation of the members of the County Board of Education of Richmond County, Georgia; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 795 Burns of the 23rd
**GLASCOCK COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act providing for a supplement to the compensation of the Judge of the Probate Court of Glascock County, approved March 28, 1974 (Ga. L. 1974, p. 3567), as amended; to provide for an applicability date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 799 Jackson of the 41st
**CLARKSTON DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act to create the Clarkston Development Authority, approved May 3, 2017 (Ga. L. 2017, p. 3837); to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 800 Harper of the 7th
**BEN HILL COUNTY**

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

HB 801 Hatchett of the 50th
**STEPHENS COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to reconstitute and reestablish the board of registrations and elections for Stephens County, Georgia; to provide for the powers and duties of the board; to provide for the appointment, resignation, and removal of its members; to provide for meetings and special meetings of the board; to provide an administrative office for elections and registrations; to staff such office with an elections supervisor, clerical assistants, and other employees; to provide compensation for administrative personnel and members of the board; to provide definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide a contingent effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 802 Hatchett of the 50th
**STEPHENS COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to provide for a Stephens County Board of Registrations and Elections, approved March 30, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4205), as amended, so as to provide for abolition of the board on a date certain; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 803 Gooch of the 51st
**FANNIN COUNTY**

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

HB 804 Ginn of the 47th
**CITY OF HULL**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Hull; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for pending matters; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for severability; to provide for related matters; to repeal a specific Act; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), Senator Albers of the 56th filed the following objection:

As provided in Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), we, the undersigned Senators, hereby file an objection to HB 445, which is on the Local Consent Calendar for today, and hereby request that it be moved to the Senate Local Contested Calendar.

/s/ Albers of the 56th
/s/ Beach of the 21st
/s/ Kirkpatrick of the 32nd
Date: 3/31/2021

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), HB 445 was removed from the Senate Local Consent Calendar and placed on the Senate Local Contested Calendar for today.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), Senator Sims of the 12th filed the following objection:

As provided in Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), we, the undersigned Senators, hereby file an objection to HB 680, which is on the Local Consent Calendar for today, and hereby request that it be moved to the Senate Local Contested Calendar.

/s/ Sims of the 12th
/s/ Rahman of the 5th
/s/ Jones II of the 22nd
Date: 3/31/2021

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), HB 680 was removed from the Senate Local Consent Calendar and placed on the Senate Local Contested Calendar for today.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), Senator Thompson of the 14th filed the following objection:

As provided in Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), we, the undersigned Senators, hereby file an objection to HB 771, which is on the Local Consent Calendar for today, and hereby request that it be moved to the Senate Local Contested Calendar.

/s/ Thompson of the 14th
/s/ Tippins of the 37th
/s/ Kirkpatrick of the 32nd
Date: March 31, 2021

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.8(b), HB 771 was removed from the Senate Local Consent Calendar and placed on the Senate Local Contested Calendar for today.

The substitute to the following bill was put upon its adoption:

*HB 759:

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to HB 759:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To authorize the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Pursuant to the authority of subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A., the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt is authorized to levy an excise tax at a rate not to exceed 6 percent of the charge for the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations furnished by any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value.

**SECTION 2.**

The enactment of this Act is subsequent to the adoption of a resolution by the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt on March 23, 2021, which specifies the subsequent tax rate, identifies the projects or tourism product development purposes, and specifies the allocation of proceeds.

**SECTION 3.**

In accordance with the terms of such resolution adopted by the mayor and council of the Town of Thunderbolt:

(1) In each fiscal year during which a tax is collected pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A., an amount equal to not less than 50 percent of the total amount of taxes collected that exceeds the amount of taxes that would be collected at the rate of 5 percent shall be expended for promoting tourism, conventions, and trade shows by the destination marketing organization designated by the Town of Thunderbolt or by such other entity already authorized to administer tourism funds pursuant to existing contract as specified in paragraph (2) of subsection (e) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; and

(2) The remaining amount of taxes collected that exceeds the amount of taxes that would be collected at the rate of 5 percent which is not otherwise expended under paragraph (1) of this section shall be expended for tourism product development.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there was no objection, and the substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bills as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bills on the Local Consent Calendar, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| E Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local bills, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

The bills on the Local Consent Calendar, except HB 759, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

HB 759, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following local, contested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Local Contested Calendar, was read and put upon its passage:

**SENATE LOCAL CONTESTED CALENDAR**

Wednesday March 31, 2021
Fortieth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 445 Orrock of the 36th
Harrell of the 40th
Au of the 48th
Jordan of the 6th
Beach of the 21st
Tate of the 38th
**FULTON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

HB 680 Sims of the 12th
**STEWART COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3845), so as to revise provisions relating to purchases and bids; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 771 Rhett of the 33rd
Jordan of the 6th
Thompson of the 14th
Kirkpatrick of the 32nd
Tippins of the 37th
Tate of the 38th
James of the 35th
**CITY OF AUSTELL**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Austell, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
**SUBSTITUTE**

HB 445. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Bazemore of the 63rd, Boddie of the 62nd, Dollar of the 45th, Thomas of the 65th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jordan of the 6th.

Senator Albers of the 56th moved that HB 445 be placed on the Table.

Senator Orrock of the 36th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 47, nays 5; the motion prevailed, and HB 445 was placed on the Table.

HB 680. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3845), so as to revise provisions relating to purchases and bids; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Sims of the 12th.

Senator Sims of the 12th asked unanimous consent that HB 680 be recommitted to the Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations. The consent was granted, and HB 680 was recommitted to the Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations.

HB 771. By Representatives Thomas of the 39th, Wilkerson of the 38th, Allen of the 40th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Williams of the 37th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Austell, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 4902), as amended, so as to provide for the annexation of certain territory into the boundaries of the city; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Rhett of the 33rd.

Senator Thompson of the 14th moved that HB 771 be placed on the Table.

On the motion, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 53, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and HB 771 was placed on

the Table.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent that Senate Rule 3-3.1 be suspended to allow the Senate to consider confirmation of an appointment by the Governor.

There was no objection and Senate Rule 3-3.1 was suspended.

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate confirm the Governor's appointment of the Honorable Sandra Heath Taylor to the Georgia Board of Juvenile Justice.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 52, nays 1; the motion prevailed, and the appointment of the Honorable Sandra Heath Taylor was confirmed.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 42. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Harbison of the 15th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-14-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating

schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," so as to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 42:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to authorize home study students in grades six through 12 to participate in extracurricular and interscholastic activities in the student's resident public school system; to provide that home study students shall complete one qualifying course facilitated by the resident school system for each semester of the regular school year during any part of which the home study student participates in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity; to provide for eligibility requirements; to provide for participation at a particular public school; to provide for participation fees; to provide parents and guardians authority to execute documents for verification purposes; to provide that the school climate rating does not include discipline data; to provide that local school systems shall publish certain student disciplinary and placement action information for ready access by parents and other community members; to provide for definitions; to provide a short title; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended in Part 14 of Article 6 of Chapter 2, relating to other educational programs under the "Quality Basic Education Act," by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-319.6.

(a) This Code section shall be known and may be cited as the 'Dexter Mosely Act.'

(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Athletic association' means any association of schools or any other similar organization which acts as an organizing, sanctioning, scheduling, or rule-making body for interscholastic activities in which public schools in this state participate.

(2) 'Extracurricular activities' means public school-sponsored activities in which students take part on a voluntary basis; which do not offer or provide school or course credits; which are generally conducted outside regular school hours or, if conducted in whole or in part during regular school hours, at times agreed to by the participants and approved by a school official; and which are managed and operated under the guidance

of a teacher, other school employee, or other adult approved by a school official. Examples of extracurricular activities include but are not limited to intramural and interscholastic athletics; band, chorus, and other musical activities; drama and other theatrical activities; and clubs and organizations as defined in subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-705.

(3) 'Home study student' means any student in grades six through 12 who is in a home study program that meets the requirements of subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-690.

(4) 'Interscholastic activities' means extracurricular activities, public school-sponsored athletic programs, and other public school-sponsored programs that are sanctioned or supported by a state-wide interscholastic activities governing body, including but not limited to an athletic association.

(5) 'Qualifying course' means a course facilitated by the home study student's resident school system:

(A) By applying one or more of the mechanisms provided for in paragraphs (1) through (4) of subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-319.4;

(B) By way of a dual credit course as provided for in Code Section 20-2-161.3; or

(C) By way of an on-site course required for participation in designated extracurricular and interscholastic activities.

(6) 'Resident school' means the public school in which a home study student would be enrolled based on his or her residence.

(7) 'Resident school system' means the public school system in which a home study student would be enrolled based on his or her residence.

(c) A home study student shall be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities and interscholastic activities under the sponsorship, direction, and control of the resident school or resident school system, provided that each of the following requirements is met:

(1) At least 30 calendar days before the first school day of the semester in which a home study student will enroll in a qualifying course as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a parent or guardian of the home study student provides to the principal of the resident school and the superintendent of the resident school system:

(A) Written notice that the home study student intends to participate in one or more specified extracurricular or interscholastic activities as a representative of the resident school or resident school system; and

(B) A copy of the home study student's most recent annual progress assessment report, as provided for in paragraph (8) of subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-690, along with written verification by the home study program instructor that the home study student is currently receiving a passing grade in each home study program course, is maintaining satisfactory progress toward advancement, and meets the requirements for participation in the specified extracurricular or interscholastic activity;

(2) For each semester of the regular school year during any part of which the home study student participates in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity, the home study student enrolls in and attempts to complete one qualifying course;

(3) The home study student meets established age, academic, behavioral, conduct,

disciplinary, residence, zoning, and other rules and requirements applicable to all students for participation in the specified extracurricular or interscholastic activity and provides any supporting documentation required by the resident school;

(4) The home study student abides by the same student code of conduct and disciplinary measures and transportation policies as students enrolled at the resident school who are participating in the same extracurricular or interscholastic activity as the home study student;

(5) The home study student completes the tryout process or the equivalent for participation in the specified extracurricular or interscholastic activity applicable to all students for participation in the specified extracurricular or interscholastic activity and provides any supporting documentation required by the resident school; and

(6) For an extracurricular or interscholastic activity which involves a competitive selection process, the home study student is selected.

(d) A student who withdraws from a public school to participate in a home study program shall be ineligible for participation in any extracurricular or interscholastic activity for 12 months from the date of the declaration of intent to utilize a home study program provided to the Department of Education as provided under paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-690.

(e) For purposes of this Code section, participation in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity includes participation in the following school-sponsored activities related to the extracurricular or interscholastic activity: tryouts; off-season practice, rehearsal, or conditioning; summer and holiday practice, rehearsal, or conditioning; in-season practice, rehearsal, or conditioning; and all exhibitions, contests, and competitions, including scrimmage, preseason, regular season, postseason, and invitational.

(f) A resident school, a resident school system, or an athletic association shall not deny a home study student the opportunity to try out and participate if selected in any extracurricular or interscholastic activities available at the resident school or in the resident school system if the student meets the requirements contained in subsection (c) of this Code section and is not ineligible under subsection (d) of this Code section.

(g) No public high school which receives funding under this article shall participate in, sponsor, or provide coaching staff for interscholastic activities which are conducted under the authority of, conducted under the rules of, or scheduled by any athletic association that does not deem eligible for participation a home study student who meets the requirements contained in subsection (c) of this Code section and is not ineligible under subsection (d) of this Code section.

(h) Home study students shall participate in extracurricular or interscholastic activities on behalf of such home study student's resident school.

(i) The specific assigned program of each home study student enrolled in a qualifying course shall be included for a one-sixth segment of the school day, or the block scheduling equivalent, by the home study student's resident school system in reports made to the Department of Education as provided in subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-160."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 20-2-690, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, by revising paragraph (6) of subsection (c) as follows:

"(6) The parent or guardian shall have the authority to execute any document required by law, rule, regulation, or policy to evidence the enrollment of a child in a home study program, the student's full-time or part-time status, the student's grades, or any other required educational information. This shall include, but not be limited to, documents for purposes of verification of enrollment by the Department of Driver Services, for the purposes set forth in subsection (a.1) of Code Section 40-5-22, documents required pursuant to Chapter 2 of Title 39 relating to employment of minors, documents for purposes of verification as set forth in subsection (c) of Code Section 20-2-319.6, and any documents required to apply for the receipt of state or federal public assistance;"

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 20-14-33, relating to indicators of quality of learning in individual schools and school systems, comparison to state standards, rating schools and school systems, providing information, and uniform definition of "dropout" and "below grade level," by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c)(1) Performance on the indicators of quality of learning, financial efficiency, school climate, and any other indicators the office adopts shall be compared to state standards, progress on improved student achievement, and comparable performance. The standards for comparison shall be established by the office as provided in Code Section 20-14-31, in coordination with the Department of Education. Data and information regarding the standards shall be included in the annual report provided for in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-14-27. Financial efficiency may include an analysis of how federal and state funds spent by local school systems impact student achievement and school improvement, and components used to determine financial efficiency may include actual achievement, resource efficiency, and student participation in standardized testing. School climate determinations may utilize data from student health surveys, data on environmental and behavior indicators, data on student behavioral and school-based reactions, and teacher and parent survey instruments. Financial efficiency and school climate shall have one of the following star ratings based upon the factors included in this subsection, as further defined by rules and regulations of the office:

~~(1)~~(A) '5-star' schools ranked excellent according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate;

~~(2)~~(B) '4-star' schools ranked above average according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate;

~~(3)~~(C) '3-star' schools ranked average according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate;

~~(4)~~(D) '2-star' schools ranked below satisfactory according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate; or

~~(5)~~(E) '1-star' schools ranked unsatisfactory according to the state determined financial efficiency or school climate index, as appropriate.

(2) Data and information regarding student discipline shall be included in the annual report provided for in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of Code Section 20-14-27.

(3) Each local school system shall publish electronically in a prominent location on its website the reported information regarding student disciplinary and placement actions provided for in subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section 20-2-740 and shall furnish a print copy of the specific information as reported for a particular school to any requester at no charge. Regardless of whether published in electronic or print form, the reported information shall be presented in a format that can be easily understood by parents and other members of the community who are not educators, and such publication shall include such reported information for each school in the local school system.

(4) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to relieve any school system or school administrator or personnel from any obligation to report a violation of a code of student conduct as provided for by law or policy."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Thompson of the 14th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 42.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 35, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 42.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 107. By Senators Strickland of the 17th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Miller of the 49th and Anderson of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 12 of Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education grants for foster children and adopted children, so as to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including mandatory rooming and board fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE TO SENATE BILL 107

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to provide for in-state tuition at units of the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia for youth who are from homeless situations; to provide for the waiver of tuition and all fees, including customary rooming and board fees, for qualifying foster and adopted students by units of the Technical College System of Georgia, subject to certain exceptions; to provide for such exceptions; to provide for the Technical College System of Georgia to waive costs for qualifying foster and adopted individuals to obtain a GED; to provide for student qualifications; to provide for the involvement and duties of the Division of Family and Children Services; to provide for the involvement of the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for a statement of purpose; to urge the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to adopt similar waiver provisions for the benefit of youth who age out of foster care; to provide for certain homeless students to be classified for in-state tuition; to provide for definitions; to provide for construction; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-3-66, relating to the determination of in-state resident status of students for tuition or fees relative to postsecondary education, as follows:

"20-3-66.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Dependent student' means an individual under the age of 24 who receives financial support from a parent or United States court appointed legal guardian.

(2) 'Emancipated' means a minor who, under certain circumstances, may be treated by the law as an adult. A student reaching the age of 18 shall not qualify for consideration of reclassification by virtue of having become emancipated unless he or she can demonstrate financial independence and domicile independent of his or her parents.

(3) 'Independent student' means an individual who is not claimed as a dependent on the federal or state income tax returns of a parent or United States court appointed legal guardian and whose parent or guardian has ceased to provide support and right to that individual's care, custody, and earnings.

(4) 'Student from a homeless situation' means an individual United States citizen who:

(A)(i) Has graduated from a Georgia high school or an equivalent high school in another state; or

(ii) Has received a HiSET or general educational development (GED) diploma awarded by the Technical College System of Georgia or the equivalent from another state; and

(B)(i) Is under the age of 24;

(ii) Currently lacks, or during the previous academic year lacked, a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence as described under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. Section 11301, et seq., as of January 1, 2021; and

(iii) Has evidence of such status as provided for in division (ii) of this subparagraph from:

(I) A local educational agency homeless liaison, as provided for under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. Section 11301, et seq., as of January 1, 2021;

(II) The director, or his or her designee, of an emergency or transitional shelter, street outreach program, homeless youth drop-in center, or other such program serving homeless youth or families;

(III) The director, or his or her designee, of a program funded under Part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as of January 1, 2021;

(IV) The state or tribal organization that administers a state plan under Part B or E of Title IV of the Social Security Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. Section 601, et seq., as of January 1, 2021;

(V) Staff of a university accredited under the laws of this state; or

(VI) Such other similar professional, as deemed appropriate by the postsecondary educational institution;

provided, however, that the term 'student from a homeless situation' shall not mean an individual who is or for any period within the last 12 consecutive months has been incarcerated in any correctional institution, detention center, jail, or other similar facility after having been convicted of a crime.

(b)(1) An independent student who has established and maintained a domicile in the State of Georgia for a period of at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term shall be classified as in-state for tuition purposes. No student shall gain or acquire in-state classification while attending any postsecondary educational institution in this state without clear evidence of having established domicile in Georgia for purposes other than attending a postsecondary educational institution in this state.

(2) If an independent student classified as in-state for tuition purposes relocates out of state temporarily but returns to the State of Georgia within 12 months of the relocation, such student shall be entitled to retain his or her in-state tuition classification.

(c)(1) A dependent student shall be classified as in-state for tuition purposes if such dependent student's parent has established and maintained domicile in the State of Georgia for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term and:

(A) The student has graduated from a Georgia high school; or

(B) The parent claimed the student as a dependent on the parent's most recent federal or state income tax return.

(2) A dependent student shall be classified as in-state for tuition purposes if such student's United States court appointed legal guardian has established and maintained domicile in the State of Georgia for at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term, provided that such appointment was not made to avoid payment of out-of-state tuition, and such guardian can provide clear evidence of having established and maintained domicile in the State of Georgia for a period of at least 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the first day of classes for the term.

(3) If the parent or United States court appointed legal guardian of a dependent student currently classified as in-state for tuition purposes establishes domicile outside of the State of Georgia after having established and maintained domicile in the State of Georgia, such student may retain his or her in-state tuition classification so long as such student remains continuously enrolled in a public postsecondary educational institution in this state, regardless of the domicile of such student's parent or United States court appointed legal guardian.

(d) Any student from a homeless situation shall be classified as in-state for tuition purposes. Upon the classification of any such student as in-state for tuition purposes, such student shall maintain such classification until the earlier occurrence of the completion of a baccalaureate degree or ten years.

~~(d)~~(e) Noncitizen students shall not be classified as in-state for tuition purposes unless the student is legally in this state and there is evidence to warrant consideration of in-state classification as determined by the board of regents. Lawful permanent residents, refugees, asylees, or other eligible noncitizens as defined by federal Title IV regulations may be extended the same consideration as citizens of the United States in determining whether they qualify for in-state classification. International students who reside in the United States under nonimmigrant status conditioned at least in part upon intent not to abandon a foreign domicile shall not be eligible for in-state classification."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by repealing Code Section 20-3-660, relating to program of grants created, terms and conditions, applications, eligibility, duties of the Division of Family and Children Services, expenses and fees covered, and report by the Education Coordinating Council, and enacting a new Code Section 20-3-660 to read as follows:

"20-3-660.

(a) It is the policy of the General Assembly that resources of this state should be committed to support benefits and positive outcomes for youth who age out of foster care. A postsecondary education can benefit these youth, many of whom who have come from places of great disadvantage; however, too few have been able to realize the benefit. Therefore, the General Assembly establishes this program to support as many of these youth as possible in realizing the benefits of postsecondary education. The General Assembly urges and recommends that the Board of Regents adopt substantially similar tuition waiver programs for these youth to realize the benefits of postsecondary education in the University System of Georgia.

(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Public postsecondary educational institution' means any unit of the Technical College System of Georgia.

(2) 'Waiver program' or 'program' means the program provided for in this Code section.

(c) Tuition and all fees, including, but not limited to, any fees, costs, or charges relating to customary housing, meal, or room and board programs, for any undergraduate program of any public postsecondary educational institution shall be waived as provided for in this Code section for each foster child or adopted child who meets the following requirements:

(1)(A) The student's family receives state funded adoption assistance as provided in Code Section 49-5-8;

(B) The student is currently in the custody of the Division of Family and Children Services of the Department of Human Services as provided in Code Section 15-11-212;

(C) The student is participating in the Division of Family and Children Services independent living program in accordance with applicable policies and procedures; or

(D) The student is an adopted child who was in the permanent legal custody of and placed for adoption by the Division of Family and Children Services following the

child's fourteenth birthday, including any such student who, at the time of application to a public postsecondary educational institution, resides outside of Georgia due to such placement.

(2) The student is currently enrolled full-time or part-time in a public postsecondary educational institution or, within three years of receiving his or her high school diploma or general educational development (GED) diploma, the student has been accepted for admission to a public postsecondary educational institution;

(3) The student remains in good standing and meets the standard for satisfactory academic progress as defined by the public postsecondary educational institution and as applied to undergraduate students generally;

(4) The student has not reached the age of 28;

(5) The student completes a simplified application process established by the Division of Family and Children Services, which shall include completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine the level of need and eligibility for state and federal financial aid programs; provided, however, that a student who is presumptively eligible to participate in the waiver program shall be permitted to provisionally participate in the waiver program for a period of up to 30 days pending the student's completion of the application process; and

(6) The student is a United States citizen or a permanent resident alien who meets the definition of an eligible noncitizen under federal Title IV requirements.

(d) For each student who meets the requirements provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section, such student's public postsecondary educational institution shall waive tuition and all fees as necessary to cover all assessed costs of attendance, as defined in 20 U.S.C. Section 1087ll, that are not covered by all available federal and nonfederal student aid sources identified in the student's Student Aid Report from the United States Department of Education excepting student loans and any work-study program provided for in 42 U.S.C. 2751-2756b.

(e) For each individual who meets the requirements provided for in paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of this Code section, the Technical College System of Georgia shall provide for the waiver of all tuition and fees necessary to cover the full cost for such individual to obtain a general educational development (GED) diploma, provided that such costs are limited to GED preparation courses provided by the Technical College System of Georgia and GED tests facilitated by the Technical College System of Georgia.

(f) The Division of Family and Children Services shall:

(1) Advertise the availability of the waiver program and ensure that the children and young adults leaving foster care, foster parents, and any other applicable resources are informed of the availability of the waiver program and the related application procedures;

(2) Provide application forms to participate in the waiver program to all children and young adults leaving foster care;

(3) Provide assistance to students attempting to complete the application process;

(4) Report the number of students participating in the waiver program on October 1 of each year to the Office of Planning and Budget and the Office of the Child Advocate;

(5) Report nonidentifying data on graduation rates of students participating in the waiver program by November 30 each year to the Office of Planning and Budget and the Office of the Child Advocate; and

(6) Promulgate such rules and regulations as may be required to carry out the provisions of this Code section.

(g) The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall adopt policies creating an expedited and simplified process to work in collaboration with Division of Family and Children Services and to enroll eligible students with a simplified process involving minimal paperwork.

(h) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to:

(1) Guarantee acceptance of or entrance into any public postsecondary educational institution for a foster child or adopted child;

(2) Limit the participation of a student who is a foster child or adopted child in any other program of financial assistance for postsecondary education;

(3) Restrict any public postsecondary educational institution or the Division of Family and Children Services from accessing other sources of financial assistance, except loans, that may be available to a foster child or adopted child who meets the eligibility requirements of the waiver program; or

(4) Provide access to a public benefit, as such term is defined in Code Section 50-36-1, for individuals except as permitted by state and federal law."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 20-4-21, relating to tuition fees for vocational, technical, and adult education, as follows:

"20-4-21.

(a) As used in this Code section, 'student from a homeless situation' shall have the same meaning as provided for in Code Section 20-3-66.

~~(a)~~(b) Any postsecondary technical school operated by a local board of education, an area postsecondary technical education board, or the Technical College System of Georgia shall be authorized to charge tuition fees in conformity with the rules and regulations promulgated by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia; provided, however, that any student from a homeless situation shall be classified as in-state for tuition purposes. Upon the classification of such student as in-state for tuition purposes, such student shall maintain such classification until the earlier occurrence of the completion of a diploma, certificate, or degree at a unit of the Technical College System of Georgia or ten years.

~~(b)~~(c) Tuition fees charged by postsecondary technical schools operated by local boards of education, area postsecondary technical education boards, and the Technical College System of Georgia shall not be used to supplant existing state or local funding but shall be used for budgeted improvements not funded from existing state and local sources.

~~(c)~~(d) The Technical College System of Georgia shall not withhold from any postsecondary technical school which charges tuition fees as authorized by this Code section any funds which would otherwise be payable by the Technical College System

of Georgia to such school by contract, grant, or otherwise."

**SECTION 4.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 5.**

All other laws or parts of laws that conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Strickland of the 17th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 107.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 53, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 107.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 81. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Miller of the 49th, Anderson of the 43rd, Dugan of the 30th, Walker III of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-4-37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Office of College and Career

Transitions and powers and duties, so as to change the name of the Office of College and Career Transitions to the Office of College and Career Academies; to provide for increased technical skills; to provide for collaboration between the Technical College System of Georgia and certain entities to support efforts to recruit new industries and expand existing industries; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 81:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia; to provide for annual reports regarding nonlapsing revenue; to change the name of the Office of College and Career Transitions to the Office of College and Career Academies; to provide for increased technical skills; to provide for collaboration between the Technical College System of Georgia and certain entities to support efforts to recruit new industries and expand existing industries; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, so as to extend automatic repeals of certain provisions regarding writing off small amounts due to the state; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education, is amended by revising Code Section 20-3-86, relating to nonlapsing revenue of institutions in the university system, as follows:

"20-3-86.

Revenue collected by any or all institutions in the university system from tuition, departmental sales or services, continuing education fees, technology fees, or indirect cost recoveries shall not lapse. The amount of revenue from tuition that shall not lapse under this Code section shall not exceed 3 percent of the tuition collected. This Code section shall stand repealed on ~~June 30, 2021~~ July 1, 2026. Not later than October 15 each year, the board of regents shall provide to the Governor, the chairperson of the

House Committee on Appropriations, and the chairperson of the Senate Appropriations Committee a report of all nonlapsing revenue provided for in this Code section from the preceding fiscal year, the anticipated plans for the use of such nonlapsing revenue, the actual expenses paid for from nonlapsing revenue from the previous fiscal year, and the cumulative balance of nonlapsed revenue."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 20-4-21.1, relating to nonlapsing revenue of institutions under the Technical College System of Georgia, as follows:

"20-4-21.1.

Revenue collected by any or all institutions under the Technical College System of Georgia from tuition, departmental sales or services, continuing education fees, technology fees, or indirect cost recoveries shall not lapse. The amount of revenue from tuition that shall not lapse under this Code section shall not exceed 15 percent of the tuition collected. This Code section shall stand repealed on ~~June 30, 2021~~ July 1, 2026. Not later than October 15 each year, the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall provide to the Governor, the chairperson of the House Committee on Appropriations, and the chairperson of the Senate Appropriations Committee a report of all nonlapsing revenue provided for in this Code section from the preceding fiscal year, the anticipated plans for the use of such nonlapsing revenue, the actual expenses paid for from nonlapsing revenue from the previous fiscal year, and the cumulative balance of nonlapsed revenue."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 20-4-37, relating to the Office of College and Career Transitions and powers and duties, by revising subsections (b), (c), and (g) and by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Board' means the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia.

(2) 'Certification' means a formal process established by the Office of College and Career ~~Transitions~~ Academies, and approved by the board, in which college and career academies successfully demonstrate appropriate levels of student achievement and technical skill development, community sustainability, work force development, and school level governance.

(3) 'Charter petitioner' means a local board of education, group of local boards of education, private individual, private organization, state or local public entity, or any group of these that submits a petition for a charter in cooperation with one or more postsecondary institutions which have petitioned to establish a college and career academy as a charter school pursuant to Article 31 or Article 31A of Chapter 2 of this title.

(4) 'Charter school' shall mean the schools included in paragraph (3) of Code Section 20-2-2062 and in paragraph (5) of Code Section 20-2-2081.

(5) 'College and career academy' means a specialized school established as a charter

school or pursuant to a contract for a strategic waivers school system or charter system, which formalizes a partnership that demonstrates a collaboration between business, industry, and community stakeholders to advance the technical skills needed for work force development between one or more local boards of education, a private individual, a private organization, or a state or local public entity in cooperation with one or more postsecondary institutions. A charter school, charter system, or strategic waivers school system contract establishing a college and career academy shall include provisions requiring that the college and career academy have a governing board reflective of the school community and the partnership with decision-making authority and requiring that governing board members complete initial and annual governance training, including, but not limited to, best practices on school governance, the constitutional and statutory requirements relating to public records and meetings, and the requirements of applicable statutes and rules and regulations.

(6) 'Office' means the Office of College and Career ~~Transitions~~ Academies established pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section.

(7) 'Postsecondary institution' means a local technical college, community college, university, or other postsecondary institution operating under the authority of the Technical College System of Georgia or the University System of Georgia or other not for profit postsecondary institution accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

(8) 'Start-up costs' means initial operating or capital costs, including, but not limited to, costs of improving real property.

(9) 'Supplemental funding' means funding for purposes other than start-up costs which are related to the establishment and operation of college and career academies.

(c) The Office of College and Career ~~Transitions~~ Academies shall be established within the Technical College System of Georgia to coordinate the efforts by the State Board of Education, the University System of Georgia, the Technical College System of Georgia, and other not for profit postsecondary institutions accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in the professional development, curriculum support, and development and establishment of college and career academies."

"(g)(1) The office shall establish a certification process, in collaboration with the Department of Education, for approval by the board. The office shall be authorized to certify college and career academies. The State Board of Education shall accept certification by the office as one component of determining compliance with charter and strategic waivers school system or charter system contract requirements. The State Board of Education may request supplemental information from charter petitioners, strategic waivers school systems, or charter systems.

(2) Any certification process established pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection shall require that the applicant demonstrates how the proposed college and career academy will increase student achievement and technical skill attainment, provide for dual credit and dual enrollment opportunities, increase work based learning opportunities, and address work force development needs; articulates how the collaboration between business, industry, and community stakeholders will advance

work force development; demonstrates local governance and autonomy; and shows other benefits that meet the needs of the students and community.

(3) Certification by the office shall constitute a positive recommendation to the State Board of Education for renewal of a charter school or charter system pursuant to Code Section 20-2-2064.1 or an extension of a strategic waivers school system contract pursuant to Article 4 of Chapter 2 of this title."

"(l) The Technical College System of Georgia shall collaborate with the Workforce Development Board and the Department of Economic Development to support the efforts of College and Career Academies and local economic development partners to assist in the recruitment of new industries and to expand existing industries by, but not limited to, demonstrating the preparation of technically skilled high school graduates to be ready to work within existing industries or industries being recruited to the state."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 16 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to public property, is amended in Code Section 50-16-18, relating to writing off small amounts due to the state, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b)(1) All state agencies and departments, in order to preserve public funds, shall be authorized to develop appropriate standards that comply with the policies prescribed by the state accounting officer which will provide a mechanism to consider administratively discharging any obligation or charge in favor of such agency or department when such obligation or charge is $100.00 or any lesser amount unless the agency or department belongs to the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia or the Technical College System of Georgia in which case the obligation or charge in favor of the institution under the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia or the institution of the Technical College System of Georgia may be $3,000.00 or any lesser amount. This procedure shall not be available to such agency or department in those instances where the obligor has more than one such debt or obligation in any given fiscal year, and this provision shall be construed in favor of the state agency or department so as not to alter the unquestioned ability of such state agency or department to pursue any debt, obligation, or claim in any amount whatsoever. In those instances where a debt or obligation of $100.00 or less, or $3,000.00 or less for the institutions of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia or the Technical College System of Georgia, has been deemed to be uncollectable, the proper individual making such determination shall transmit a recapitulation of the efforts made to collect the debt together with all other appropriate information, which shall include a reasonable estimate of the cost to pursue administratively or judicially the account, together with a recommendation to the commissioner of such state agency or department. In those instances where the commissioner makes a determination that further collection efforts would be detrimental to the public's financial interest, a certificate reflecting this determination

shall be executed, and this certificate shall serve as the authority to remove such uncollectable accounts from the financial records of such state agency or department. Such certificates shall be forwarded to the state accounting officer in a manner and at such times as are reflected in the standards developed by the state accounting officer and the state agency or department. This paragraph shall stand repealed and reserved effective July 1, ~~2021~~ 2026.

(2) On and after July 1, ~~2021~~ 2026, all state agencies and departments, in order to preserve public funds, shall be authorized to develop appropriate standards that comply with the policies prescribed by the state accounting officer which will provide a mechanism to consider administratively discharging any obligation or charge in favor of such agency or department when such obligation or charge is $100.00 or any lesser amount. This procedure shall not be available to such agency or department in those instances where the obligor has more than one such debt or obligation in any given fiscal year, and this provision shall be construed in favor of the state agency or department so as not to alter the unquestioned ability of such state agency or department to pursue any debt, obligation, or claim in any amount whatsoever. In those instances where a debt or obligation of $100.00 or less has been deemed to be uncollectable, the proper individual making such determination shall transmit a recapitulation of the efforts made to collect the debt together with all other appropriate information, which shall include a reasonable estimate of the cost to pursue administratively or judicially the account, together with a recommendation to the commissioner of such state agency or department. In those instances where the commissioner makes a determination that further collection efforts would be detrimental to the public's financial interest, a certificate reflecting this determination shall be executed, and this certificate shall serve as the authority to remove such uncollectable accounts from the financial records of such state agency or department. Such certificates shall be forwarded to the state accounting officer in a manner and at such times as are reflected in the standards developed by the state accounting officer and the state agency or department."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3-2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 81.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | C Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 81.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 225. By Senators Harbison of the 15th, Rhett of the 33rd, Payne of the 54th, Dugan of the 30th, Anderson of the 43rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a veteran's license plate to individuals who served in the armed forces for an ally of the United States during active military combat; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 225:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,

relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, so as to provide for a veteran's license plate to individuals who served in the armed forces for an ally of the United States during active military combat; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to prestige license plates and special plates for certain persons and vehicles, is amended by revising Code Section 40-2-85.1, relating to special and distinctive license plates for certain veterans, as follows:

"40-2-85.1.

(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Military medal award' means the following medals, decorations, or other recognition of honor for military service awarded by a branch of the United States military:

(A) Medal of Honor;
(B) Bronze Star Medal;
(C) Silver Star Medal;
(D) Distinguished Service Cross;
(E) Navy Cross;
(F) Air Force Cross;
(G) Defense Distinguished Service Medal;
(H) Homeland Security Distinguished Service Medal;
(I) Distinguished Service Medal;
(J) Navy Distinguished Service Medal;
(K) Air Force Distinguished Service Medal;
(L) Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal;
(M) Defense Superior Service Medal;
(N) Legion of Merit;
(O) Distinguished Flying Cross;
(P) Purple Heart;
(Q) Air Medal;
(R) Soldier's Medal; and
(S) Meritorious Service Medal.

(2) 'Served during active military combat' means active duty service in World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm, the Global War on Terrorism as defined by Presidential Executive Order 13289, Section 2, the war in Afghanistan, or the war in Iraq, which includes either Operation Iraqi Freedom or Operation Enduring Freedom.

(3) 'Veteran' means ~~a~~:

(A) A former member of the armed forces of the United States who is discharged

from the armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable; or

(B) An individual who served in the armed forces of an ally of the United States during active military combat in the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Storm, or the Global War on Terrorism and who is discharged or separated under conditions other than dishonorable.

(4) 'Woman veteran' and 'women veterans' means former members of the armed forces of the United States who are female and discharged from the armed forces under conditions other than dishonorable.

(b)(1) Motor vehicle and trailer owners who are veterans or women veterans, who have received a military medal award, or who served during active military combat shall be eligible to receive special and distinctive vehicle license plates for private passenger cars, motorcycles, trucks, or recreational vehicles used for personal transportation. Such license plates shall be issued in compliance with the state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles as prescribed in Article 2 of this chapter.

(2)(A) Motor vehicle and trailer owners who are veterans or women veterans, who have received a military medal award, or who served during active military combat shall be issued upon application for and upon compliance with the state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles a veteran's license plate, a woman veteran's license plate, a military medal award recipient license plate, or a commemorative service license plate for service during active military combat. One such license plate shall be issued without the requisite registration fee, manufacturing fee, or annual registration fee.

(B) Each member or former member of the armed forces of the United States listed in this subsection shall be entitled to no more than one such free license plate at a time; provided, however, that upon payment of a manufacturing fee of $25.00, a member shall be entitled to one additional such license plate. For each additional license plate for which a $25.00 manufacturing fee is required, there shall be an additional annual registration fee of $25.00, and such fee shall be collected by the county tag agent at the time of collection of other registration fees and shall be remitted to the state as provided in Code Section 40-2-34.

(c) The commissioner shall design a veteran's license plate, a woman veteran's license plate, a military medal award recipient license plate, and a license plate to commemorate service with the United States armed forces during active military combat. The design of a veteran's license plate issued to a veteran defined in subparagraph (a)(3)(B) of this Code section shall be distinctive in nature by inclusion of the legend 'Allied Veteran' in lieu of the name of the county of issuance and display such other distinctive design as determined by the commissioner. The commissioner shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary relating to design and issuance of such distinctive 'Allied Veteran' plates. The commissioner shall promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to enforce compliance with all state license laws relating to the use and operation of private passenger cars, motorcycles, trucks, and trailers before issuing such license plates in lieu of the regular Georgia

license plates. The manufacturing fee for such special and distinctive license plates shall be $25.00. The commissioner is specifically authorized to promulgate all rules and regulations necessary to ensure compliance in instances where such vehicles have been transferred or sold. Except as provided in subsection (e) of this Code section, such plates shall be nontransferable.

(d) The special and distinctive vehicle license plates shall be as prescribed in Article 2 of this chapter for private passenger cars, motorcycles, trucks, recreational vehicles, and trailers used for personal transportation. Such plates shall contain such words or symbols, in addition to the numbers and letters prescribed by law, so as to identify distinctively the owners who are veterans, who are recipients of a military medal award, or who served during active military combat and shall additionally identify distinctly the owner as a current or former member of one of the following branches of the armed forces of the United States: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, or Coast Guard.

(e) The license plate issued pursuant to this Code section shall be transferred between vehicles as provided in Code Section 40-2-80. The spouse of a deceased veteran or of a deceased person who received a military medal award or who served during active military combat shall continue to be eligible to be issued a distinctive personalized license plate as provided in this Code section for any vehicle owned by such person, ownership of which is transferred to the surviving spouse or for any other vehicle owned by such surviving spouse either at the time of the qualifying person's death or acquired thereafter, so long as such surviving spouse does not remarry.

(e.1) The spouse of any person eligible to be issued a special license plate under this Code section shall also be eligible for such license plate, provided that no motor vehicle is registered in the name of the eligible person and all other requirements relating to registration and licensing relative to motor vehicles as prescribed in Article 2 of this chapter have been satisfied.

(f) Special license plates issued under this Code section, except as provided in subparagraph (b)(2)(A) of this Code section, shall be renewed annually with a revalidation decal as provided in Code Section 40-2-31 without payment of an additional $25.00 annual registration fee."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Harbison of the 15th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 225.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | C Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | E Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 49, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 225.

The President recognized former Senator Doug Stoner.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 117. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Cowsert of the 46th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Payne of the 54th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to revise the offenses of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first and second degrees; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 117:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 6 of Title 16, Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17, Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35, Title 42, and Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, the Georgia Crime Information Center, penal institutions, and general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, respectively, so as to provide for the offenses of improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first and second degrees; to provide for definitions; to provide for criminal penalties; to revise cross-references; to provide that record restriction shall not be appropriate for such offenses under certain circumstances; to revise the definition of "dangerous sexual offense" to include the offense of improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first and second degrees; to provide for visitation restrictions for inmates convicted of such offenses; to provide for licensing implications for persons convicted of such offenses; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to improper sexual contact by employee, agent, or foster parent, consent not a defense, and penalty, as follows:

"16-6-5.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Agent' means an individual authorized to act on behalf of another, with or without compensation.

(1.1) 'Child-placing agency' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 49-5-3.

(2) 'Child welfare and youth services' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 49-5-3.

(3) 'Disability' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 37-1-1.

(4) 'Employee' means an individual who works for salary, wages, or other remuneration for an employer.

(4.1) 'Foster care home' means a private home used by a child-placing agency which has been approved by the child-placing agency to provide 24 hour care, lodging, supervision, and maintenance for one or more children or a private home which has been approved and is directly supervised by the Department of Human Services to provide 24 hour care, lodging, supervision, and maintenance for one or more children.

(4.2) 'Foster parent' means the person or persons who provide care, lodging, supervision, and maintenance for one or more children in a foster care home used by a child-placing agency or in a foster care home approved and directly supervised by the

Department of Human Services.

(5) 'Intimate parts' means the genital area, groin, inner thighs, buttocks, or breasts of a person.

(5.1) 'Person in a position of trust' means an individual with whom a parent, guardian, or other person standing in loco parentis of a minor has entered into an agreement entrusting such individual with the responsibility of education and supervision of such minor; provided, however, that no such status shall exist when the terms of the agreement have been satisfied or terminated and the minor is no longer under the supervision of such individual.

(6) 'Psychotherapy' means the professional treatment or counseling of a mental or emotional illness, symptom, or condition.

(7) 'School' means any educational institution, public or private, providing elementary or secondary education to children at any level, kindergarten through twelfth grade, or the equivalent thereof if grade divisions are not used, including extracurricular programs of such institution.

(8) 'Sensitive care facility' means any facility licensed or required to be licensed under Code Section 31-7-3, 31-7-12, or 31-7-12.2 or who is required to be licensed pursuant to Code Section 31-7-151 or 31-7-173.

(9) 'Sexual contact' means any contact involving the intimate parts of either person for the purpose of sexual gratification of either person.

(10) 'Sexually explicit conduct' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 16-12-100.

(b) An employee or agent commits the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexually explicit conduct with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:

(1) Enrolled as a student at a school of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(2) Under probation, parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(3) Being detained by or is in the custody of any law enforcement agency of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(4) A patient in or at a hospital of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(5) In the custody of a correctional facility, juvenile detention facility, facility providing services to a person with a disability, or a facility providing child welfare and youth services of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(6) The subject of such employee or agent's actual or purported psychotherapy treatment or counseling; or

(7) Admitted for care at a sensitive care facility of which he or she is an employee or agent.

(b.1) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the first degree when he or she is a foster parent and knowingly engages in sexually explicit conduct with his or her current foster child.

(b.2) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by a person in a

position of trust in the first degree when a person in a position of trust engages in sexually explicit conduct with a minor for whom he or she has entered into an agreement entrusting him or her with the responsibility of education and supervision of such minor.

(c) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree when such employee or agent knowingly engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with another person whom such employee or agent knows or reasonably should have known is contemporaneously:

(1) Enrolled as a student at a school of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(2) Under probation, parole, accountability court, or pretrial diversion supervision of the office or court of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(3) Being detained by or is in the custody of a law enforcement agency of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(4) A patient in or at a hospital of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(5) In the custody of a correctional facility, juvenile detention facility, facility providing services to a person with a disability, or facility providing child welfare and youth services of which he or she is an employee or agent;

(6) The subject of such employee or agent's actual or purported psychotherapy treatment or counseling; or

(7) Admitted for care at a sensitive care facility of which he or she is an employee or agent.

(c.1) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree when he or she is a foster parent and knowingly engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with his or her current foster child.

(c.2) A person commits the offense of improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the second degree when a person in a position of trust engages in sexual contact, excluding sexually explicit conduct, with a minor for whom he or she has entered into an agreement entrusting him or her with the responsibility of education and supervision of such minor.

(d) Consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution under this Code section.

(e)(1) This Code section shall not apply to sexually explicit conduct or sexual contact between individuals lawfully married to each other.

(2) This Code section shall not apply to a student who is enrolled at the same school as the victim.

(f) A person convicted of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first degree, improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the first degree, or improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the first degree shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than 25 years ~~or~~ and by a fine not to exceed $100,000.00~~, or both~~; provided, however, that:

(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, any person convicted of the offense of improper sexual contact by employee, improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the first degree, or agent or improper sexual contact by

a foster parent with a child under the age of 16 years shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than ~~25~~ 10 nor more than ~~50~~ 30 years ~~or~~ and a fine not to exceed $100,000.00~~, or both,~~ and shall, in addition, be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2; and

(2)(A) If at the time of the offense the victim of the offense is at least 14 years of age but less than 21 years of age and the person is 21 years of age or younger and is no more than 48 months older than the victim, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall not be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2.

(B) If at the time of the offense the victim of the offense is under the age of 16 and the act physically injures the victim or involves an act of sodomy, the offense shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than 25 nor more than 50 years and a fine not to exceed $100,000.00 and shall, in addition, be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2.

(g) A person convicted of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree, improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the second degree, or improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree shall be punished as for a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and shall not be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2; provided, however, that:

(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, any person convicted of the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree, improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the second degree, or improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree with a child under the age of 16 years shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than five nor more than 25 years ~~or~~ and by a fine not to exceed $25,000.00~~, or both,~~ and shall, in addition, be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2;

(2) If at the time of the offense the victim of the offense is at least 14 years of age but less than 21 years of age and the person is 21 years of age or younger and is no more than 48 months older than the victim, such person shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall not be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2; and

(3) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, upon a second or subsequent conviction of the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the second degree, improper sexual contact by a person in a position of trust in the second degree, or improper sexual contact by a foster parent in the second degree, the person shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one year nor more than five years and shall be subject to the sentencing and punishment provisions of Code Section 17-10-6.2."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 10 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to

the procedure for sentencing and imposition of punishment, is amended by revising paragraph (7) of subsection (a) of Code Section 17-10-6.2, relating to punishment for sexual offenders, as follows:

"(7) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust, as provided in Code Section 16-6-5.1;"

**SECTION 3.**

Article 2 of Chapter 3 of Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Crime Information Center, is amended by revising division (j)(4)(B)(viii) of Code Section 35-3-37, relating to review of individual's criminal history record information, definitions, privacy considerations, written application requesting review, and inspection, as follows:

"(viii) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent, ~~and~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1;"

**SECTION 4.**

Title 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to penal institutions, is amended in paragraph (10) of subsection (a) of Code Section 42-1-12, relating to the State Sexual Offender Registry, by revising subparagraph (B.3) and by adding a new subparagraph to read as follows:

"(B.3) 'Dangerous sexual offense' with respect to convictions occurring ~~after June 30, 2019~~ between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2021, means any criminal offense, or the attempt to commit any criminal offense, under Title 16 as specified in this subparagraph or any offense under federal law or the laws of another state or territory of the United States which consists of the same or similar elements of the following offenses:

(i) Aggravated assault with the intent to rape in violation of Code Section 16-5-21;

(ii) Kidnapping in violation of Code Section 16-5-40 which involves a victim who is less than 14 years of age, except by a parent;

(iii) Trafficking an individual for sexual servitude in violation of Code Section 16-5-46;

(iv) Rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-1;

(v) Sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;

(vi) Aggravated sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;

(vii) Statutory rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-3, if the individual convicted of the offense is 21 years of age or older;

(viii) Child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4;

(ix) Aggravated child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4, unless the person was convicted of a misdemeanor offense;

(x) Enticing a child for indecent purposes in violation of Code Section 16-6-5;

(xi) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first or second degree in

violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1, unless the punishment imposed was not subject to Code Section 17-10-6.2;

(xii) Incest in violation of Code Section 16-6-22;

(xiii) A second or subsequent conviction for sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.1;

(xiv) Aggravated sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.2;

(xv) Sexual exploitation of children in violation of Code Section 16-12-100;

(xvi) Electronically furnishing obscene material to minors in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.1;

(xvii) Computer pornography and child exploitation in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.2;

(xviii) A second or subsequent conviction for obscene telephone contact in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.3; or

(xix) Any conduct which, by its nature, is a sexual offense against a victim who is a minor or an attempt to commit a sexual offense against a victim who is a minor.

(B.4) 'Dangerous sexual offense' with respect to convictions occurring after June 30, 2021, means any criminal offense, or the attempt to commit any criminal offense, under Title 16 as specified in this subparagraph or any offense under federal law or the laws of another state or territory of the United States which consists of the same or similar elements of the following offenses:

(i) Aggravated assault with the intent to rape in violation of Code Section 16-5-21;

(ii) Kidnapping in violation of Code Section 16-5-40 which involves a victim who is less than 14 years of age, except by a parent;

(iii) Trafficking an individual for sexual servitude in violation of Code Section 16-5-46;

(iv) Rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-1;

(v) Sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;

(vi) Aggravated sodomy in violation of Code Section 16-6-2;

(vii) Statutory rape in violation of Code Section 16-6-3, if the individual convicted of the offense is 21 years of age or older;

(viii) Child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4;

(ix) Aggravated child molestation in violation of Code Section 16-6-4;

(x) Enticing a child for indecent purposes in violation of Code Section 16-6-5;

(xi) Improper sexual contact by employee or agent in the first or second degree or improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust in the first or second degree in violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1, unless the punishment imposed was not subject to Code Section 17-10-6.2;

(xii) Incest in violation of Code Section 16-6-22;

(xiii) A second or subsequent conviction for sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.1;

(xiv) Aggravated sexual battery in violation of Code Section 16-6-22.2;

(xv) Sexual exploitation of children in violation of Code Section 16-12-100;

(xvi) Computer pornography and child exploitation in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.2;
(xvii) A second or subsequent conviction for obscene telephone contact in violation of Code Section 16-12-100.3; or
(xviii) Any conduct which, by its nature, is a felony sexual offense against a victim who is a minor or an attempt to commit a felony sexual offense against a victim who is a minor."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 42-5-56, relating to visitation with minors by convicted sexual offenders, as follows:

"42-5-56.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'sexual offense' means a violation of Code Section 16-6-1, relating to the offense of rape; Code Section 16-6-2, relating to the offenses of sodomy and aggravated sodomy; Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to the offense of improper sexual contact by employee or agent, ~~and~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust; Code Section 16-6-22, relating to the offense of incest; or Code Section 16-6-22.2, relating to the offense of aggravated sexual battery, when the victim was under 18 years of age at the time of the commission of any such offense; or a violation of Code Section 16-6-3, relating to the offense of statutory rape; Code Section 16-6-4, relating to the offenses of child molestation and aggravated child molestation; or Code Section 16-6-5, relating to the offense of enticing a child for indecent purposes, when the victim was under 16 years of age at the time of the commission of any such offense.

(b) Any inmate with a current or prior conviction for any sexual offense as defined in subsection (a) of this Code section shall not be allowed visitation with any person under the age of 18 years unless such person is the spouse, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandson, or granddaughter of the inmate and such person is not the victim of a sexual offense for which the inmate was convicted. If visitation with a minor is restricted by court order, permission for special visitation with the minor may be granted only by the court issuing such order."

**SECTION 6.**

Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Department of Human Services, is amended by revising subparagraph (a)(2)(J) of Code Section 49-2-14.1, relating to records check requirement for licensing facilities, as follows:

"(J) A violation of Code Section 16-6-5.1, relating to improper sexual contact by employee or agent, ~~and~~ improper sexual contact by a foster parent, and improper sexual contact by person in a position of trust;"

**SECTION 7.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Miller of the 49th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 117.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 117.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 220. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st, Mullis of the 53rd, Summers of the 13th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 220:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum relative to quality basic education, so as to provide for a program of study in financial literacy for students in tenth or eleventh grade; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum relative to quality basic education, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"20-2-149.4.

(a) The State Board of Education shall prescribe a program of study in personal financial literacy to be completed by students during high school. Such program of study shall include, at a minimum, the following areas:

(1) Types of bank accounts offered, opening an account, and assessing the quality of a depository institution's services;

(2) Balancing a checking account;

(3) Money management, such as saving, spending, credit, credit scores, and managing debt, including retail and credit card debt;

(4) Investments, such as capital markets including stocks and bonds;

(5) Postsecondary education financial planning, such as calculations on debt management based on estimated future earnings according to career paths;

(6) Completing a loan application;

(7) Receiving an inheritance and related implications;

(8) Basic principles of personal insurance policies;

(9) Computing federal income taxes;

(10) Local tax assessments;

(11) Computing interest rates by various mechanisms;

(12) Simple contracts;

(13) Contesting an incorrect billing statement;

(14) Types of savings and investments;

(15) State and federal laws concerning finance; and

(16) Cryptocurrency.

(b) Each local board of education shall implement the minimum program of study prescribed pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section beginning in the 2021-2022 school year. Such program of study may be provided within the framework of existing

coursework offered by a local school system."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Payne of the 54th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 220 as amended by the following amendment:

Senators Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31th, Dugan of the 30th and Miller of the 49th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the substitute to SB 220 (LC 49 0551S) by inserting after* "grade;" *on line 4* "to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to create the Georgia Commission on Civics Education; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative intent; to provide for automatic repeal;"

*By inserting between lines 37 and 38 the following:*

**SECTION 2.**

Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, is amended by adding a new part to read as follows:

"Part 10

20-14-95.

(a) This part shall be known and may be cited as the 'The Georgia Civics Renewal Act.'

(b) There is created the Georgia Commission on Civics Education.

(c) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the commission shall promote and enhance the education of students on the importance of civic involvement in a constitutional republic, the study of state and local government among the state's citizenry, the importance of civic engagement and public service, and communication and collaboration among organizations in the state that conduct civics education.

(d)(1) The commission shall consist of 15 members comprising one member from the Senate majority caucus, one member from the Senate minority caucus, one member from the House of Representatives majority caucus, one member from the House of Representatives minority caucus, one Justice of the Supreme Court, the Attorney General, one designee from the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, one designee from the

Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the State School Superintendent or his or her designee, one other member as determined by the President of the Senate, one other member as determined by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, one other member as determined by the Governor, two former or current government or civics teachers appointed by the Governor, and one representative from the Georgia Center for Civic Engagement appointed by the Governor.

(2) Vacancies in the commission shall be filled the same as the original appointments.

(3)(A) Legislative members of the commission shall serve two-year terms concurrent with their terms as members of the General Assembly.

(B) Nonlegislative members of the commission shall serve two-year terms concurrent with those terms of legislative members of the commission.

(e) The Governor shall designate the chairperson of the commission. The chairperson shall serve as such concurrent with his or her term as a member of the commission.

(f)(1) The commission shall periodically review the conditions, needs, issues, and problems related to civics education in Georgia schools, including, but not limited to, career, technical, and agricultural education (CTAE) instruction for the government and public administration and the law, public safety, corrections, and security pathways, and shall issue annually a report on the same to the General Assembly, and recommend any action or legislation which the commission deems necessary or appropriate.

(2) The commission may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this Code section. The commission shall meet upon the call of the chairperson. The commission shall meet not less than two nor more than four times annually.

(3) The legislative members of the commission shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8. Any citizen members shall receive a daily expense allowance in the amount specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state employees. Any members of the commission who are state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the commission, but they shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the commission in the same manner as they are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees. The funds necessary for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to the Department of Education for this purpose. All other funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this Code section shall come from funds appropriated to the House of Representatives and the Senate. The expenses and allowances authorized by this paragraph shall not be received by members of the commission for more than four days annually.

(g) The head of the social studies program of the Department of Education shall report annually to the commission regarding the conditions, needs, issues, and problems of the program. Such report shall include a statement of efforts undertaken by the Department of Education to inform and encourage local school systems to recruit and utilize

supplemental resources from appropriate local and community organizations which promote civics and civics education as among their primary purposes.
(h) This part shall stand repealed on December 31, 2028."

*By redesignating Sections 2 and 3 on lines 38 and 41 as Sections 3 and 4, respectively.*

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 1; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 220 as amended by the Senate.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 165. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to exempt fully autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; to provide for compliance; to remove requirement for use of strobe light while operating a low-speed vehicle; to provide for means of operation of vehicle brakes and parking brakes; to revise exhaust system requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

HOUSE SUBSTITUTE TO SENATE BILL 165

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 40-2-151 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the annual license fees for operation of vehicles, so as to reduce the registration fee charged to low-speed alternative fueled vehicles; to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to require the display of a reflective emblem or the use of strobe light while operating a slow-moving or low-speed vehicle; to provide for issuance of a permit relating to operation of an amber strobe light upon a low-speed vehicle; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 40-2-151 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the annual license fees for operation of vehicles, is amended by revising subparagraph (a)(19)(A) as follows:

"(19)(A)(i) Upon registration of an alternative fueled vehicle not operated for commercial purposes ..... 200.00

(ii) Upon registration of an alternative fueled vehicle operated for commercial purposes ..... 300.00

(iii) Upon registration of an alternative fueled vehicle that is a low-speed vehicle..... 100.00"

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, is amended by revising Code Section 40-8-4, relating to emblem to be displayed on certain slow-moving vehicles or equipment operating on public roads, as follows:

"40-8-4.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate upon the public roads of this state any slow-moving vehicle or equipment, any farm trailer or semitrailer which is used for agricultural purposes and which would otherwise be exempt from this article as an implement of husbandry under Code Section 40-8-1, any animal drawn vehicle, or any machinery designed for use and generally operated at speeds less than 25 miles per

hour, including all road construction or maintenance equipment and machinery except when engaged in actual construction or maintenance procedures and all other construction equipment and machinery, unless there is displayed on the rear thereof an emblem which shall comply with subsection (b) of this Code section or an amber strobe light operated in compliance with Code Section 40-8-35. It shall also be unlawful to operate upon the public roads of this state without such an emblem any three-wheeled motorcycle used only for agricultural purposes unless such three-wheeled motorcycle is licensed as required by Chapter 2 of this title and is in compliance with all other requirements of this chapter.

(b) The emblem required by subsection (a) of this Code section shall conform with those standards and specifications adopted for slow-moving vehicles by the American Society of Agricultural Engineers in December, 1966, and contained within such society's standard ASAE S276.1, or shall be an emblem of the same shape and size painted on such vehicle in a bright and conspicuous retroreflective red orange paint. Such emblem shall be mounted on the rear of such vehicles, in the approximate horizontal geometric center of the vehicle, at a height of three to five feet above the roadway, and shall be maintained at all times in a clean and reflective condition.

(c) Any person violating this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(d) Nothing in this Code section shall apply to any self-propelled, two-wheeled vehicle."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 40-8-35, relating to operating low-speed vehicles on highway requires amber strobe light, as follows:

"40-8-35.

(a) Any low-speed vehicle operated on the highways of this state without a properly affixed emblem conforming to the requirements of Code Section 40-8-4 shall display an amber strobe light so as to warn approaching travelers to decrease their speed because of the danger of colliding with such vehicle. Such amber strobe light shall be mounted in a manner so as to be visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of 500 feet from the front and rear of such vehicle.

(b) Any permit required for compliance with this Code section shall be issued by a county tag agent upon registration of such vehicle."

**SECTION 4.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021, and Section 1 of this Act shall be applicable to vehicle registrations occurring on or after July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 165 as amended by the following amendment:

Senators Gooch of the 51st and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend SB 165 (SB 165/HCSFA) by replacing line 5 with the following:*
exempt certain autonomous vehicles from certain equipment standards; to require the display of a reflective emblem or the use of strobe light while operating a

*By replacing line 22 with the following:*
inspection of motor vehicles, is amended by revising Code Section 40-8-1, relating to application of article, by revising subsection (b) as follows:

"(b) Unless otherwise required by federal law, rule, or regulation, a fully autonomous vehicle that is designed to be operated exclusively by the automated driving system for all trips shall not be subject to any provisions of this article that relate to or support motor vehicle operation by a human driver and are not relevant to the operation of an automated driving system.

(c) Nothing in this article shall be construed to prohibit the use of additional parts and accessories on any vehicle, which use is not inconsistent with the provisions of this article."

**SECTION 3.**

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 40-8-4, relating to

*By renumbering Section numbers accordingly.*

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 165 as amended by the Senate.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 100. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Dugan of the 30th, Kennedy of the 18th, Miller of the 49th, Au of the 48th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe standard time year round until such time as Congress authorizes the states to observe daylight savings time; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 100:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, so as to provide that this state shall observe daylight savings time year round; to provide for contingent effectiveness; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to state government, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-1-10.

(a) This state, including all political subdivisions thereof, shall observe daylight savings time year round as the standard time of the entire state and all of its political subdivisions.

(b) This Code section shall become effective only if the United States Congress amends 15 U.S.C. Section 260a to authorize states to observe daylight savings time year round."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Watson of the 1st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 100.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 45, nays 6; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 100.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 255. By Senators Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Miller of the 49th, Dugan of the 30th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," so as to provide for a grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; to provide for criteria; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 255:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," so as to provide for a grant program to support border region retail and tourism projects; to provide for criteria; to provide for a definition; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

The General Assembly finds that it is in the best interest of this state to:

(1) Increase tourism and competitiveness with bordering states by encouraging the development of retail and tourism projects in border regions;

(2) Support the efforts of businesses attempting to expand in or relocate to Georgia by dedicating resources to confront obstacles and barriers that impede economic growth in border regions; and

(3) Promote the economic security of the citizens of this state through the retention or development of employment opportunities.

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 34 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "OneGeorgia Authority Act," is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"50-34-19.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'border region' means any part of the state that lies within 25 miles of a state border.

(b) Subject to appropriations, the authority shall establish and administer a grant program to be called the Border Region Retail Tourism Development Program, which shall serve the purpose of awarding grants to eligible applicants to induce businesses to, or assist businesses that intend to, relocate, expand, or construct projects in Georgia rather than a bordering state.

(c) The amount of any grant awarded pursuant to this Code section shall be determined by the authority on a case-by-case review of applications consistent with criteria to be prescribed by the authority which shall include, but shall not be limited to, the:

(1) Number and type of jobs retained or created;

(2) Total private capital investment;

(3) Impact on the state, regional, and community tax base;

(4) Degree of local commitment;

(5) Consistency with local and regional development goals and objectives;

(6) Project readiness and feasibility;
(7) Geographic distribution of existing retail and tourism facilities; and
(8) Reasonableness of cost estimates.
(d) All applications for grants under this Code section shall include a recommendation from a state agency whose statutory powers and duties include community and economic development that the proposed project will significantly develop, promote, and retain trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities within the border region and promote the general welfare of the state.
(e) After reviewing an application, the authority shall submit any pending grant award to the Governor and the commissioner of economic development for approval before such grant shall be awarded.
(f) The authority shall adopt such rules and regulations as are reasonable and necessary to implement and administer the grant program established under this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 255.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 1; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 255.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 85. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Strickland of the 17th, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 16-5-61 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hazing, so as to provide for an expanded definition of hazing; to provide for inclusion of minors as the subject of hazing; to provide for penalties; to provide for the Attorney General to bring civil actions against certain organizations regarding hazing incidents; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, so as to provide for mandatory reports of hazing related violations at schools in the state; to provide for and revise definitions; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 85:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to reckless conduct, so as to provide for an expanded definition of hazing; to provide for and revise definitions; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, so as to provide for mandatory reports of hazing related violations at schools in the state; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Max Gruver Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Article 4 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to reckless conduct, is amended by revising Code Section 16-5-61, relating to hazing, as follows:

"16-5-61.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Haze' <u>or 'hazing'</u> means to subject a student to an activity which endangers or is

likely to endanger the physical health of a student~~,~~ or coerces the student through the use of social or physical pressure to consume any food, liquid, alcohol, drug, or other substance which subjects the student to a likely risk of vomiting, intoxication, or unconsciousness regardless of a student's willingness to participate in such activity.

(2) 'School' means any unit of the University System of Georgia, any unit of the Technical College System of Georgia, or any private postsecondary school, college, or university in this state.

(3) 'School organization' means any association, corporation, order, club, society, fraternity, sorority, athletic team, or a group living together which has students or alumni as its principal members, including local affiliate organizations.

(4) 'Student' means any person enrolled or prospectively enrolled in a school in this state.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to haze any student in connection with or as a condition or precondition of gaining acceptance, membership, office, or other status in a school organization.

(c) Any person who violates this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature."

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 1 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding education, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 3

20-1-30.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Hazing' shall have the same meaning as provided for under Code Section 16-5-61.

(2) 'School' shall have the same meaning as provided for under Code Section 16-5-61.

(3) 'School organization' shall have the same meaning as provided for under Code Section 16-5-61.

(4) 'Student' shall have the same meaning as provided for under Code Section 16-5-61.

(b) Not later than July 1, 2021, each school shall establish policies to facilitate the:

(1) Reporting, investigation, provision of due process, and administrative adjudication of alleged incidents of hazing as related to students and student organizations; and

(2) Public disclosure of administrative adjudications of hazing or hazing related convictions within 15 calendar days of final adjudication or public notice of criminal conviction.

(c) The public disclosure of each incident of hazing adjudicated pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section, criminal convictions for hazing pursuant to Code Section 16-5-

61, and other criminal convictions arising from any incident of hazing shall require the following minimum information be posted prominently on the school's website for a period of not less than five years after final adjudication or conviction:

(1) The name of any school organization involved;

(2) The date or dates on which the hazing occurred; and

(3) A description of the specific hazing related findings, sanctions, adjudications, and convictions for any person or school organization.

(d) Public disclosure provided pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section shall not include the personal identifying information of any individual student and shall be subject to the requirements of the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), 20 USC 1232g."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Albers of the 56th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 85.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 85.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that HB 306, having been placed on

the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 306, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 306. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Kelley of the 16th, Holcomb of the 81st, Reeves of the 34th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 306:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to corporations, partnerships, and associations, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide that nonprofit corporations may hold annual meetings of members and special meetings of members by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to corporations, partnerships, and associations, is amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 14-2-701, relating to annual meeting, as follows:

"(b)(1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, annual ~~Annual~~ shareholders' meetings may be held in or out of this state at the place stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. If no place is stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws, annual shareholders' meetings shall be held at the corporation's principal office.

(2) Unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws provide otherwise, the board of

directors may determine that an annual shareholders' meeting may be held wholly or partially by means of remote communication as authorized by Code Section 14-2-708."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 14-2-702, relating to special meeting, as follows:

"(c)(1) Except as provided for under paragraph (2) of this subsection, special ~~Special~~ shareholders' meetings may be held in or out of this state at the place stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. If no place is stated or fixed in accordance with the bylaws, special shareholders' meetings shall be held at the corporation's principal office.

(2) Unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws provide otherwise, the board of directors may determine that a special shareholders' meeting be held wholly or partially by means of remote communication as authorized by Code Section 14-2-708."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"14-2-708.

When authorized by the board of directors, and subject to such guidelines and procedures as the board of directors may adopt, shareholders and holders of proxies of any class or series designated by the board of directors not physically present at a meeting of shareholders may, by means of remote communication:

(1) Participate in a meeting of shareholders; and

(2) Be deemed present in person and vote at a meeting of shareholders, whether such meeting is held at a designated place or held wholly by means of remote communication, provided that:

(A) The corporation implements reasonable procedures to verify that each person deemed present and permitted to vote at the meeting by means of remote communication is a shareholder or holder of a proxy;

(B) The corporation implements reasonable procedures to provide such shareholders and holders of proxies a reasonable opportunity to participate in the meeting and to vote on matters submitted to such shareholders and holders of proxies, including, but not limited to, an opportunity to read or hear the proceedings of the meeting substantially concurrently with such proceedings; and

(C) When any shareholder or holder of a proxy votes or takes other action at the meeting by means of remote communication, a record of such vote or other action shall be maintained by the corporation."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 14-3-701, relating to annual meeting, as follows:

"(c)(1) Except as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, annual ~~Annual~~ and regular meetings of members may be held in or out of this state at the place stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws. If no place is stated in or fixed in accordance with the bylaws, annual and regular meetings shall be held at the corporation's principal office or other suitable place.

(2) Unless the articles of incorporation or the bylaws provide otherwise, the board of directors may determine that an annual and regular meeting of the members may be held wholly or partially by means of remote communication which shall mean an opportunity for members to read or hear the proceedings of the meeting substantially concurrently with such proceedings as authorized and provided for in Code Section 14-3-709."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 14-3-702, relating to special meetings, to read as follows:

"(h) Unless the articles or bylaws provide otherwise, any special meeting may be held wholly or partially by means of remote communication as authorized and provided for in Code Section 14-3-709."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended in Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 3, relating to general provisions, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"14-3-709.

When authorized by the board of directors, and subject to such guidelines and procedures as such board of directors may adopt, members not physically present at a meeting of the corporation may, by means of remote communication:

(1) Participate in a meeting of members; and

(2) Be deemed present in person and vote at a meeting of members, whether such meeting is held at a designated place or held wholly by means of remote communication, provided that:

(A) The corporation implements reasonable procedures to verify that each person deemed present at the meeting by means of remote communication is a member or holder of a proxy; and

(B) When any member or holder of a proxy votes at the meeting by means of remote communication, a record of such vote or such other action shall be maintained by the corporation."

**SECTION 7.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 8.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 306, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Hickman of the 4th asked unanimous consent that HB 443, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 443, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 443. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd and Scoggins of the 14th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages, so as to provide for new requirements regarding the transfer of structured settlement payment rights; to

provide for definitions; to provide for registration of transferees; to provide for requirements; to provide for prohibited acts; to provide for required disclosures; to provide for approval of transfers; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hickman of the 4th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 443:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages, so as to provide for new requirements regarding the transfer of structured settlement payment rights; to provide for definitions; to provide for registration of transferees; to provide for requirements; to provide for a fee by the Secretary of State; to provide for prohibited acts; to provide for required disclosures; to provide for approval of transfers; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages, is amended by repealing Article 4, relating to damages in tort actions, in its entirety and replacing it with a new Article 4 to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 4

51-12-71.

This article shall be known and may be cited as the 'Georgia Structured Settlement Protection Act.'

51-12-72.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Annuity issuer' means an insurer that has issued a contract to fund periodic payments under a structured settlement.

(2) 'Assignee' means a person or entity acquiring or proposing to acquire structured settlement payments from a structured settlement purchase company or transferee after, or concurrently with, the transfer by the payee to the structured settlement purchase company or transferee.

(3) 'Dependents' include a payee's spouse and minor children and all other persons for whom the payee is legally obligated to provide support, including alimony.

(4) 'Discounted present value' means the present value of future payments determined by discounting such payments to the present using the most recently published Applicable Federal Rate for determining the present value of an annuity, as issued by the United States Internal Revenue Service.
(5) 'Gross advance amount' means the sum payable to the payee or for the payee's account as consideration for a transfer of structured settlement payment rights, before any reductions for transfer expenses or other deductions to be made from such consideration.
(6) 'Independent professional advice' means advice of an attorney, certified public accountant, actuary, or other licensed professional adviser.
(7) 'Interested party' means, with respect to any structured settlement, the payee, any beneficiary irrevocably designated under the annuity contract to receive payments following the payee's death, the annuity issuer, the structured settlement obligor, and any party to the structured settlement that has continuing obligations to make payments under the structured settlement.
(8) 'Net advance amount' means the gross advance amount, less the aggregate amount of the actual and estimated transfer expenses required to be disclosed under paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of Code Section 51-12-76.
(9) 'Payee' means an individual who is receiving tax free payments under a structured settlement and proposes to make a transfer of payment rights thereunder.
(10) 'Periodic payments' includes both recurring payments and scheduled future lump sum payments.
(11) 'Qualified assignment agreement' means an agreement providing for a qualified assignment within the meaning of Section 130 of the United States Internal Revenue Code, United States Code Title 26, as amended.
(12) 'Renewal date' means the date on which a registered structured settlement purchase company is required to have renewed their registration under this statute, which date shall be one year after the initial registration or any subsequent renewal.
(13) 'Structured settlement' means an arrangement for periodic payment of damages for personal injuries or sickness established by settlement or judgment in resolution of a tort claim.
(14) 'Structured settlement agreement' means the agreement, judgment, stipulation, or release embodying the terms of a structured settlement.
(15) 'Structured settlement obligor' means, with respect to any structured settlement, the party that has the continuing obligation to make periodic payments to the payee under a structured settlement agreement or qualified assignment agreement.
(16) 'Structured settlement payment rights' means rights to receive periodic payments under a structured settlement, whether from the structured settlement obligor or the annuity issuer, where the payee is domiciled in this state or the structured settlement agreement was approved by a court in this state.
(17) 'Structured settlement purchase company' means a person that acts as a transferee in this state and who is registered with the Secretary of State pursuant to Code Section 51-12-73.

(18) 'Structured settlement transfer proceeding' means a court proceeding filed by a structured settlement purchase company seeking court approval of a transfer in accordance with this article.
(19) 'Terms of the structured settlement' include, with respect to any structured settlement, the terms of the structured settlement agreement, the annuity contract, any qualified assignment agreement, and any order or other approval of any court.
(20) 'Transfer' means any sale, assignment, pledge, hypothecation, or other alienation or encumbrance of structured settlement payment rights made by a payee for consideration. Such term shall not include the creation or perfection of a security interest in structured settlement payment rights under a blanket security agreement entered into with an insured depository institution, in the absence of any action to redirect the structured settlement payments to such insured depository institution, or an agent or successor in interest thereof, or otherwise to enforce such blanket security interest against the structured settlement payment rights.
(21) 'Transfer agreement' means the agreement providing for a transfer of structured settlement payment rights.
(22) 'Transfer expense' means all expenses of a transfer that are required under the transfer agreement to be paid by the payee or deducted from the gross advance amount, including, without limitation, court filing fees, attorney fees, escrow fees, lien recordation fees, judgment and lien search fees, finders' fees, commissions, and other payments to a broker or other intermediary. Such term shall not include preexisting obligations of the payee payable for the payee's account from the proceeds of the transfer.
(23) 'Transfer order' means an order approving a transfer in accordance with Code Section 51-12-77.
(24) 'Transferee' means a party acquiring or proposing to acquire structured settlement payment rights through a transfer.

51-12-73.
(a) A person or entity shall not act as a transferee, attempt to acquire structured settlement payment rights through a transfer from a payee who resides in this state, or file a structured settlement transfer proceeding in this state unless the person or entity has registered with the Secretary of State to do business in this state.
(b)(1) An applicant's initial registration application shall be submitted on a form prescribed by the Secretary of State, and shall include a sworn certification by an owner, officer, director, or manager of the applicant, if the applicant is an entity, or by the individual applicant if the applicant is an individual, certifying that the applicant has secured a surety bond, or has been issued a letter of credit, or has posted a cash bond in the amount of $50,000.00, relative to its business as a structured settlement purchase company in this state. The surety bond or letter of credit is intended to protect payees who do business with a structured settlement purchase company.
(2) The bond shall be payable to the State of Georgia.
(3) The bond, letter of credit, or cash bond shall be effective concurrently with the

applicant's registration with the Secretary of State and shall remain in effect for not less than three years after expiration or termination of that registration. The bond, letter of credit, or cash bond shall be renewed each year when the registration of the applicant is renewed.

(4) The applicant shall submit to the Secretary of State a copy of the bond, letter of credit, or cash bond with its registration or renewal application.

(5) The bond, letter of credit, or cash bond is intended to ensure that the structured settlement purchase company will comply with the provisions of this article relative to the payee and perform its obligations to payee under this article, and to provide a source for recovery for the payee should a payee recover a judgment against a structured settlement purchase company for a violation of this article.

(6) The Secretary of State shall be authorized to set and charge a fee to offset the costs of processing and maintaining the registration required by this Code section.

(c) Within ten days after a judgment is secured against a structured settlement purchase company by a payee, the structured settlement purchase company shall file a notice with the Secretary of State and the surety providing a copy of the judgment and the name and address of the judgment creditor, and include the status of the matter, including whether the judgment will be appealed, or has been paid or satisfied.

(d) The liability of the surety under the bond shall not be affected by any breach of contract, breach of warranty, failure to pay a premium or other act or omission of the bonded structured settlement purchase company, or by any insolvency or bankruptcy of the structured settlement purchase company.

(e) Neither the bonded structured settlement purchase company nor the surety shall cancel or modify the bond during the term for which it is issued, except with written notice to the Secretary of State at least 20 days prior to the effective date of such cancellation or modification.

(f) In the event of a cancellation of the bond, the registration of the structured settlement purchase company shall automatically expire unless a new surety bond, letter of credit, or cash bond, which complies with this Code section, is filed with the Secretary of State. The cancellation or modification of a bond shall not affect any liability of the bonded surety company incurred before the cancellation or modification of the bond.

(g) The applicant shall comply with all of the provisions of this article when acting as a structured settlement purchase company and filing structured settlement transfer proceedings in this state.

(h) An assignee shall not be required to register as a structured settlement purchase company in order to acquire structured settlement payment rights or to take a security interest in structured settlement payment rights that were transferred by the payee to a structured settlement purchase company.

(i) An employee of a structured settlement purchase company, if acting on behalf of the employer structured settlement purchase company in connection with a transfer, is not required to be registered.

(j) A registered structured settlement purchase company shall renew its registration

annually, on or before the renewal date, and provide the certifications set forth in this Code section.

51-12-74.

(a) A transferee or structured settlement purchase company, and an employee or representative of a transferee or structured settlement purchase company, shall not engage in any of the following actions:

(1) Pursue or complete a transfer with a payee without complying with this article;

(2) Refuse or fail to fund a transfer, following court approval of the transfer;

(3) Acquire structured settlement payment rights from the payee without complying with this article and securing court approval of the transfer in accordance with this article;

(4) Intentionally file a structured settlement transfer proceeding in any court other than the court specified in subsection (a) of Code Section 51-12-79, unless the transferee is required to file in some other court by other applicable law;

(5) Pay a commission or finder's fee to a person or entity for facilitating or arranging a structured settlement transfer with a payee, unless such person or entity is registered as a structured settlement purchase company or is an employee of a registered structured settlement purchase company. A structured settlement purchase company may pay to third parties routine transfer expenses, such as court filing fees, escrow fees, lien recordation fees, judgment and lien search fees, attorney fees, and other similar types of fees relating to a transfer. A structured settlement purchase company may pay a reasonable referral fee to an attorney, certified public accountant, actuary, licensed insurance agent, or other licensed professional advisor in connection with a transfer;

(6) Intentionally advertise materially false or misleading information regarding its products or services;

(7) Attempt to coerce, bribe, or intimidate any payee seeking to transfer structured settlement payment rights;

(8) Attempt to defraud a payee or any party to a structured settlement transfer or any interested party in a structured settlement transfer proceeding by means of forgery or false identification;

(9) Intervene in a pending structured settlement transfer proceeding, if the transferee or structured settlement purchase company is not a party to such proceeding or an interested party relative to the proposed transfer which is the subject of the pending structured settlement transfer proceeding. However, this shall not preclude a structured settlement purchase company from intervening in a pending structured settlement transfer proceeding where the payee has signed a transfer agreement with the structured settlement purchase company within 60 days prior to the filing of the pending structured settlement proceeding, and the structured settlement purchase company who filed the pending structured settlement transfer proceeding violated any of the provisions of this article in connection with the proposed transfer that is the subject of the pending structured settlement transfer proceeding;

(10) Knowingly contact a payee who has signed a transfer agreement and is pursuing a proposed transfer with another structured settlement purchase company for the purpose of inducing the payee into canceling the proposed transfer or transfer agreement with the other structured settlement purchase company, if a structured settlement transfer proceeding has been filed by the other structured settlement purchase company and is pending. However, if no hearing has been held in the pending structured settlement transfer proceeding within 90 days of the filing of same, this paragraph shall not apply; or

(11) Fail to dismiss a pending structured settlement transfer proceeding at the request of the payee. A dismissal of a structured settlement proceeding under this Code section shall not exempt a person who violates this Code section from any liability under this article.

(b) A payee may pursue a private action as a result of a violation of this Code section, and may recover all damages and pursue all rights and remedies to which the payee may be entitled under this article, the Fair Business Practices Act, or other applicable law.

(c) A structured settlement purchase company may pursue a private action to enforce paragraphs (4), (7), (9), (10), or (11) of subsection (a) of this Code section as a result of a violation of such paragraphs, and may recover all damages and pursue all remedies to which the structured settlement purchase company may be entitled under this article or other applicable law.

(d) If a court determines that a structured settlement purchase company or transferee is in violation of this Code section, the court may revoke the registration of the structured settlement purchase company, suspend the registration of the structured settlement purchase company for a period of time to be determined at the discretion of the court, or enjoin the structured settlement purchase company or transferee from filing new structured settlement transfer proceedings or pursuing transfers in this state.

51-12-75.

A transfer order signed by a Georgia court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with this article shall constitute a qualified order under 26 U.S.C. Section 5891. A transfer order signed by a Georgia court of competent jurisdiction after the effective date of this article, where the transferee is not a registered structured settlement purchase company at the time the transfer order is signed shall not constitute a qualified order under 26 U.S.C. Section 5891.

51-12-76.

Not less than ten days prior to the date on which a payee signs a transfer agreement, the transferee shall provide to the payee a separate disclosure statement, in bold type no smaller than 14 point font, setting forth the following:

(1) The amounts and due dates of the structured settlement payments to be transferred;

(2) The aggregate amount of such payments;

(3) The discounted present value of the payments to be transferred, which shall be identified as the 'calculation of current value of the transferred structured settlement payments under federal standards for valuing annuities,' and the amount of the Applicable Federal Rate used in calculating such discounted present value;
(4) The gross advance amount;
(5) An itemized listing of all applicable transfer expenses, other than attorney fees and related disbursements, payable in connection with the transferee's application for approval of the transfer, and the transferee's best estimate of the amount of any such fees and disbursements;
(6) The effective annual interest rate, which must be disclosed in a statement in the following form: 'On the basis of the net amount that you will receive from us and the amounts and timing of the structured settlement payments that you are transferring to us, you will, in effect be paying interest to us at a rate of ___ percent per year.';
(7) The net advance amount;
(8) The amount of any penalties or liquidated damages payable by the payee in the event of any breach of the transfer agreement by the payee;
(9) That the payee has the right to cancel the transfer agreement, without penalty or further obligation, until the transfer is approved by the court;
(10) That the payee has the right to seek and receive independent professional advice regarding the proposed transfer and should consider doing so before agreeing to transfer any structured settlement payment rights; and
(11) That the payee has the right to seek out and consider additional offers for transferring the structured settlement payments and should do so.

51-12-77.
No direct or indirect transfer of structured settlement payment rights shall be effective, and no structured settlement obligor or annuity issuer shall be required to make any payment directly or indirectly to any transferee or assignee of structured settlement payment rights, unless the transfer has been approved in advance in a final court order based on express findings by such court that all of the following apply:
(1) The transfer is in the best interest of the payee, taking into account the welfare and support of the payee's dependents;
(2) The payee has been advised in writing by the transferee to seek independent professional advice regarding the transfer, and has either received such advice or knowingly waived in writing the opportunity to seek and receive such advice; and
(3) The transfer does not contravene any applicable statute or the order of any court or other government authority.

51-12-78.
(a) Following a transfer of structured settlement payment rights, the structured settlement obligor and the annuity issuer may rely on the court order approving the transfer in redirecting periodic payments to an assignee or transferee in accordance with the order approving the transfer and shall, as to all parties except the transferee or an

assignee designated by the transferee, be discharged and released from any and all liability for the redirected payments. Such discharge and release shall not be affected by the failure of any party to the transfer to comply with this article or with the court order approving the transfer.

(b) The transferee shall be liable to the structured settlement obligor and the annuity issuer:

(1) If the transfer contravenes the terms of the structured settlement, for any taxes incurred by the structured settlement obligor or annuity issuer as a consequence of the transfer; and

(2) For any other liabilities or costs, including reasonable costs and attorney fees, arising from compliance by the structured settlement obligor or annuity issuer with the court order approving the transfer, or from the failure of any party to the transfer to comply with this article.

(c) Neither the annuity issuer nor the structured settlement obligor may be required to divide any periodic payment between the payee and any transferee or assignee or between two or more transferees or assignees.

(d) Any further transfer of structured settlement payment rights by the payee may be made only after compliance with all of the requirements of this article.

51-12-79.

(a) An application under this article for approval of a transfer of structured settlement payment rights shall be made by the transferee. The application shall be brought in superior court in the county in which the payee is domiciled, except that if the payee is not domiciled in this state, the application may be brought in the court in this state that approved the structured settlement agreement.

(b) At the time any application is made under this article for approval of a transfer of structured settlement payment rights, the transferee's application shall include evidence that the transferee is registered to do business in this state as a structured settlement purchase company.

(c) A timely hearing shall be held on an application for approval of a transfer of structured settlement payment rights. The payee shall appear in person at the hearing, unless the court determines that good cause exists to excuse the payee from appearing in person.

(d) Not less than 20 days prior to the scheduled hearing on any application for approval of a transfer of structured settlement payment rights under Code Section 51-12-77, the transferee shall file with the court and serve on all interested parties a notice of the proposed transfer and the application for authorization. Such notice and application shall include all of the following:

(1) A copy of the transferee's application;

(2) A copy of the transfer agreement;

(3) A copy of the disclosure statement required under Code Section 51-12-76;

(4) The payee's name, age, county of domicile, and the number and ages of each of the payee's dependents;

(5) A summary of:

(A) Any prior transfers by the payee to the transferee or an affiliate, or through the transferee or an affiliate to an assignee, within the four years preceding the date of the transfer agreement and any proposed transfers by the payee to the transferee or an affiliate, or through the transferee or an affiliate, applications for approval of which were denied within the two years preceding the date of the transfer agreement; and

(B) Any prior transfers by the payee to any person or entity other than the transferee or an affiliate or an assignee of the transferee or an affiliate within the three years preceding the date of the transfer agreement, and any prior proposed transfers by the payee to any person or entity other than the transferee or an affiliate or an assignee of a transferee or affiliate, applications for approval of which were denied within the one year preceding the date of the current transfer agreement, to the extent that the transfers or proposed transfers have been disclosed to the transferee by the payee in writing or otherwise are actually known to the transferee;

(6) Notification that any interested party is entitled to support, oppose, or otherwise respond to the transferee's application, either in person or by counsel, by submitting written comments to the court or by participating in the hearing;

(7) Notification of the time and place of the hearing and notification of the manner in which and the date by which written responses to the application must be filed, which date shall be not less than five days prior to the hearing, in order to be considered by the court; and

(8) Evidence of the transferee's registration to do business in this state as a structured settlement purchase company.

51-12-80.

(a) The provisions of this article shall not be waived by any payee.

(b) Any transfer agreement entered into on or after the effective date of this article by a payee who is domiciled in this state shall provide that disputes under such transfer agreement, including any claims that the payee has breached the agreement, shall be determined in and under the laws of the State of Georgia. No such transfer agreement shall authorize the transferee or any other party to confess judgment or consent to entry of judgment against the payee.

(c) No transfer of structured settlement payment rights shall extend to any payments that are life contingent unless, prior to the date on which the payee signs the transfer agreement, the transferee has established and has agreed to maintain procedures reasonably satisfactory to the annuity issuer and the structured settlement obligor for periodically confirming the payee's survival and giving the annuity issuer and the structured settlement obligor prompt written notice in the event of the payee's death.

(d) If the payee cancels a transfer agreement, or if the transfer agreement otherwise terminates, after an application for approval of a transfer of structured settlement payment rights has been filed and before it has been granted or denied, the transferee shall promptly request dismissal of the application.

(e) No payee who proposes to make a transfer of structured settlement payment rights shall incur any penalty, forfeit any application fee or other payment, or otherwise incur any liability to the proposed transferee or any assignee based on any failure of such transfer to satisfy the conditions of this article.

(f) Nothing contained in this article shall:

(1) Be construed to authorize any transfer of structured settlement payment rights in contravention of any applicable law or to imply that any transfer under a transfer agreement entered into prior to the effective date of this article is valid or invalid; or

(2) Affect the validity of any transfer of structured settlement payment rights, whether under a transfer agreement entered into prior to or subsequent to the effective date of this article, in which the structured settlement obligor and annuity issuer have waived, or have not asserted their rights under, terms of the structured settlement prohibiting or restricting sale, assignment, or encumbrance of the structured settlement payment rights.

(g) The compliance with the requirements set forth in Code Section 51-12-76 and fulfillment of the conditions set forth in Code Section 51-12-77 shall be solely the responsibility of the transferee in any transfer of structured settlement payment rights, and neither the structured settlement obligor nor the annuity issuer shall bear any responsibility for, or any liability arising from, noncompliance with such requirements or failure to fulfill such conditions.

(h) This article shall apply to any transfer of structured settlement payment rights under a transfer agreement entered into on or after July 1, 2021."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |

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| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 443, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that HB 562, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 562, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 562. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Ridley of the 6th, Scoggins of the 14th, Cooper of the 43rd and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to warrants for arrest, so as to add DFCS case manager to the people for whom arrest warrants may be issued only by certain judicial officers; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Strickland of the 17th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 562:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, so as to add DFCS case manager to the people for whom arrest warrants may be issued only by certain judicial officers; to provide for a motion for a change of venue by the prosecuting attorney in certain cases; to provide for procedures; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to criminal procedure, is amended by revising subsection (c) of Code Section 17-4-40, relating to persons who may issue warrants for arrest of offenders against penal laws, warrants requested by others, and persons who may issue warrants for arrest of law enforcement or peace officers or school teachers or administrators, as follows:

"(c) Any warrant for the arrest of a peace officer, law enforcement officer, DFCS case manager, teacher, or school administrator for any offense alleged to have been committed while in the performance of his or her duties may be issued only by a judge of a superior court, a judge of a state court, or a judge of a probate court."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 17-7-150, relating to procedures for change of venue, transfer of case, and appeal from denial of change of venue, as follows:

"(a)(1)(A) The defendant, in any criminal case in which a trial by jury is provided, may move in writing for a change of venue, whenever, in the defendant's or defense counsel's judgment, an impartial jury cannot be obtained in the county where the crime is alleged to have been committed. Upon the hearing of the motion it shall not be necessary to examine all persons in the county liable to serve on juries, but the judge shall hear evidence by affidavit or oral testimony in support of or against the motion. If, from the evidence submitted, the judge is satisfied that an impartial jury cannot be obtained to try the case, the judge shall grant a change in venue~~; the~~. The judge shall transfer the case to any county that may be agreed upon by the prosecuting attorney and the defendant or the defense counsel, to be tried in the county agreed upon. The judge has the discretion to reject any county agreed upon; if a county is not thus agreed upon, or if the judge, in the exercise of discretion, rejects a county agreed upon, the judge shall select such county as in the judge's judgment will afford a fair and impartial jury to try the case and have it transferred accordingly.

(B) The prosecuting attorney, in any criminal case in which a trial by jury is provided, may move in writing for a change of venue, whenever, in such prosecuting attorney's judgment, an impartial jury cannot be obtained in the county where the crime is alleged to have been committed if:

(i) A previous prosecuting attorney has recused himself or herself, been disqualified, or been removed from the case for cause; or

(ii) A local government official has publicly released information prejudicial to the administration of justice which has the potential to have tainted the local jury pool.

Upon the hearing of the motion, it shall not be necessary to examine all persons in

the county liable to serve on juries, but the judge shall hear evidence by affidavit or oral testimony in support of or against the motion. If, from the evidence submitted, the judge is satisfied that an impartial jury cannot be obtained to try the case, the judge shall grant a change in venue. The judge shall transfer the case to any county that may be agreed upon by the requesting prosecuting attorney and the defendant or the defense counsel and the case shall be tried in the county agreed upon. The judge has the discretion to reject any county agreed upon; if a county is not thus agreed upon, or if the judge, in the exercise of discretion, rejects a county agreed upon, the judge shall select such county as in the judge's judgment will afford a fair and impartial jury to try the case and have it transferred accordingly."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | E Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |

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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 562, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

March 31, 2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 562. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

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| HB 749 | Do Pass |
| HB 750 | Do Pass |
| HB 762 | Do Pass |

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

At 12:32 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 1:00 p.m.

At 1:13 p.m., Senator Butch Miller, President Pro Tempore, called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 27. By Senators Thompson of the 14th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Dugan of the 30th, Hatchett of the 50th, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 222. By Senators Summers of the 13th, Walker III of the 20th, Sims of the 12th, Harper of the 7th, Goodman of the 8th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state symbols, so as to designate the pecan as the official state nut; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 237. By Senators Harbison of the 15th and Dugan of the 30th:

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

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 201. By Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the administration of revenue and taxation, so as to require financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; to provide for conditions, limitations, and prohibitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 204. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Miller of the 49th, Butler

of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to allow students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain secondary school coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 290. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Rich of the 97th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to prohibit hospitals and nursing homes from instituting any policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients' abilities to be visited by designated family members or friends as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or nursing home; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Watson of the 1st asked unanimous consent that HB 317, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 317, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 317. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Frye of the 118th, Smith of the 133rd, Rich of the 97th, Dollar of the 45th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, so as to revise the definition of "innkeeper" to include

marketplace facilitators; to define the term "marketplace innkeeper"; to expand the state levy of a nightly excise tax to include all rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The following Fiscal Note was filed with the bill:

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February 17, 2021

Honorable Shaw Blackmon
Chairman, House Ways and Means
133 State Capitol
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

SUBJECT: Fiscal Note
House Bill 317 (LC 43 1783)

Dear Chairman Blackmon:

The bill would revise the definition of innkeeper and add a definition of marketplace innkeeper for purposes of state and local excise taxes on lodging. Marketplace innkeepers, or marketplace facilities with a substantial economic presence in Georgia (e.g., Airbnb), would be required to collect and remit state and any local excise taxes for lodging and public accommodations. The bill would apply to sales occurring on or after July 1, 2021, unless the reservation was made and a payment or deposit received prior to that date.

**Impact on State Revenue**
Georgia State University's Fiscal Research Center (FRC) estimated that the bill would increase state revenue by $17.1 million in FY 2022, with the amount increasing to $23.5 million by FY 2026 (Table 1). Data are not sufficient to provide an estimate of the bill's impact on local tax revenue. The attached appendix provides details of the analysis.

**Table 1. Estimated State and Local Revenue Effects of LC 43 1783**

| ($ *millions*) | **FY 2022** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** | **FY 2026** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Estimate | $17.1 | $20.3 | $21.3 | $22.4 | $23.5 |
| Local Estimate | | -- *No data available* -- | | | |

**Impact on State Expenditures**
The Department of Revenue (DOR) would implement the provisions of the bill with existing resources.

Sincerely,

/s/ Greg S. Griffin
Greg S. Griffin
State Auditor

/s/ Kelly Farr
Kelly Farr, Director
Office of Planning and Budget

## Analysis by the Fiscal Research Center

The bill would require lodging network services, such as Airbnb and HomeAway/VRBO, that facilitate short-term rentals of private homes to collect and remit hotel-motel taxes. Long-term stays of more than 30 days are exempt from the tax, as under current law.

The following summarizes the facts and assumptions used in the revenue estimates for lodging network services:

- Based on listing information data from Airdna.com, an Airbnb data analytics service, Airbnb's available rooms and nights in Georgia's major cities are estimated to be about 2.3 million available room-nights annually as of 2020. The average occupancy rate for Airbnb listings in major Georgia cities is estimated to be 54 percent.[1]
- As part of their preparation for a possible initial public offering, Morningstar released a report discussing Airbnb's market share, among other financial and growth metrics.[2] The number of Airbnb room-nights available, calculated above, was divided by this estimated market share to approximate the size of the overall alternative accommodations market in Georgia's major cities. If Airbnb's market share estimate

was inflated, then total room-nights, rental spending, and taxes received would be higher than the estimates presented in Table 2.

- Research firm eMarketer estimates Airbnb's growth from 2018 to 2019 to have been about 10.4 percent in the US, before a precipitous drop in 2020 due to the coronavirus pandemic. The same report projects year over year growth rates in the US market rebounding in 2021, then growing steadily moving forward. These eMarketer forecasted growth rates were used to estimate Airbnb's room-night rental sales through FY 2026, and its market share projections (from the report mentioned previously) were in turn used to estimate the total industry's rental sales.[3]
- According to Airdna.com listing data, Georgia's Airbnb stays only declined by an estimated 17 percent in 2020 vs. the 60 percent drop anticipated by eMarketer. As a result, this fiscal note assumes the percent increase in 2021 will not be as steep as the eMarketer growth forecast, because Georgia's travel industry is rebounding from a smaller dip.
- Because reservations purchased in advance of July 1, 2021 are exempt from the new tax, state revenue collections will be slightly reduced until those pre-booked stays have occurred. No comprehensive data on the timing of Airbnb bookings could be found; this estimate assumes about half of bookings occur within a month of the stay, with most other advanced bookings occurring anywhere from 2 to 6 months out. As a result, this estimate assumes a 22% reduction in assumed revenue from July to December 2021 to account for those reservations.

**Table 2. Estimated State Excise Tax Revenue from Lodging Network Services**

| (*millions*) | **FY 2022** | **FY 2023** | **FY 2024** | **FY 2025** | **FY 2026** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Room Night Rentals | 3.83 | 4.06 | 4.26 | 4.48 | 4.70 |
| Total State Revenue | $17.1 | $20.3 | $21.3 | $22.4 | $23.5 |

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 317:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, so as to revise the definition of "innkeeper" to include marketplace facilitators; to define the term "marketplace innkeeper"; to expand the state levy of a nightly excise tax to include all rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, is amended in Code Section 48-13-50.2, relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (2) and adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(2) 'Innkeeper' means ~~any person who is subject to taxation under this article for the furnishing for value to the public any rooms, lodgings, or accommodations~~:

(A) Any person that furnishes for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations in a county or municipality and that is licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, such municipality or county for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value; or

(B) A dealer as defined in subparagraph (M.3) of paragraph (8) of Code Section 48-8-2 that is required to collect and remit the tax imposed by Article 1 of Chapter 8 of this title for acting as a marketplace facilitator as such term is defined in paragraph (18.1) of Code Section 48-8-2 for facilitating the furnishing for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations on behalf of another person.

(2.1) 'Marketplace innkeeper' means an innkeeper as defined in subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 48-13-50.3, relating to additional tax imposed by innkeepers, forms for reporting, use of funds from additional taxes, and provisions for termination, as follows:

"48-13-50.3.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Extended stay rental' means providing for value to the public a hotel or motel room for longer than 30 consecutive days to the same customer.

(2) ~~'Innkeeper' means any person who is subject to taxation under this article for the furnishing for value to the public a hotel or motel room.~~

~~(3)~~ 'Transportation purposes' means activities incident to providing and maintaining an adequate system of public roads and bridges in this state and for grants to counties for road construction and maintenance.

~~(4)~~(3) 'Transit' means regular, continuing shared-ride or shared-use surface transportation services that are made available by or funded by a public entity or quasi-public entity and are open to the general public or open to a segment of the general public defined by age, disability, or low income. Such term includes services or systems operated by or under contract with the state, a state agency or authority, a local government, a community improvement district, or any other similar entity of this state and all accompanying infrastructure and services necessary to provide access to these modes of transportation. Such term excludes charter or sightseeing services; school bus

services; courtesy shuttle and intrafacility or terminal services; limousine carriers; and ride share network services, transportation referral services, and taxi services as such terms are defined in Chapter 1 of Title 40 and which are not paid for by a public entity.

~~(5)~~(4) 'Transit projects' means and includes purposes to establish, enhance, operate, and maintain, or improve access to transit, including the issuance of grants for the provision of transit, the issuance of general obligation debt and other multiyear obligations to finance such projects, the financing of operations and maintenance of such projects once constructed, and the contracted purchase of transit from providers without direct capital investment.

~~(b) On or after July 1, 2015, each innkeeper in this state shall charge a $5.00 per night fee to the customer, unless it is an extended stay rental, for each calendar day a hotel or motel room is rented or leased. The innkeeper shall collect the fee at the time the customer pays for the rental or lease of such hotel or motel room. The innkeeper collecting the fee shall remit the fee on a monthly basis to the department.~~

(b)(1) On and after July 1, 2021, an excise tax of $5.00 per night shall be levied upon the rental or lease of any room, lodging, or accommodation by an innkeeper.

(2) Taxes levied pursuant to this Code section shall be collected by the innkeeper from the customer at the time the customer pays for its rental or lease of any room, lodging, or accommodation. Any innkeeper collecting such taxes shall remit the amounts collected to the department on a monthly basis.

(3) Extended stay rentals shall be exempt from the tax levied by this Code section.

(4) Lodging or accommodations that do not provide physical shelter shall be exempt from the tax levied by this Code section.

(c) The commissioner shall promulgate and make available forms for the use of innkeepers to assist in compliance with this Code section. The commissioner shall promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this Code section.

(d) It is the intention of the General Assembly, subject to appropriations, that the fees collected pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall be made available and used exclusively for transportation purposes in this state with up to 10 percent of the fees collected to be appropriated for transit projects.

(e) If the amount collected under this Code section is ever not appropriated for a fiscal year as provided by subsection (d) of this Code section, as determined jointly by the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, then the amount collected shall be reduced by 50 percent. Upon the conclusion of a second fiscal year in which the amount collected is not so appropriated, this Code section shall stand repealed and reserved, and such fees shall cease to be collected, on the date the appropriations Act for such fiscal year becomes effective. Such budget offices shall certify any such lack of appropriation to the Code Revision Commission for purposes of updating the Code in accordance with this subsection."

**SECTION 3.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-13-50.4.

(a) A marketplace innkeeper shall constitute the innkeeper with respect to the transactions taxable pursuant to this article that it facilitates on behalf of another person. All taxes levied or imposed by this article on transactions facilitated by a marketplace innkeeper shall be paid by the purchaser to the marketplace innkeeper.

(b) The marketplace innkeeper shall remit all taxes in the manners provided in this article and, when received by the taxing authority, such taxes shall be credited against the taxes imposed by this article on the furnishing for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations.

(c) Each marketplace innkeeper shall be liable for the full amount of taxes levied or imposed by this article on its transactions or the amount of tax collected by such marketplace innkeeper from all purchasers on all such transactions, whichever is greater.

(d) A transaction that is not taxable to the purchaser shall not be taxable to the marketplace innkeeper. Taxes collected and remitted by a marketplace innkeeper pursuant to this article shall be subject to the credit otherwise granted by this article for like taxes previously paid in another state.

(e) This Code section shall not be construed to require a duplication in the payment of any tax.

(f) A person shall not be obligated to collect and remit or be liable for the taxes levied or imposed by this article on any transaction for which its marketplace innkeeper is obligated and liable.

(g) The taxing authority shall only audit the marketplace innkeeper for sales made by it on behalf of another person except to the extent the marketplace innkeeper seeks relief through subsection (h) of this Code section.

(h) A marketplace innkeeper is relieved of liability for failure to collect and remit the correct amount of tax imposed by this article to the extent that the marketplace innkeeper demonstrates to the satisfaction of the taxing authority that the error was due to insufficient or incorrect information given to the marketplace innkeeper by the person on whose behalf the sale was facilitated and the marketplace innkeeper made a reasonable effort to obtain correct and sufficient information from such person; provided, however, that this subsection shall not apply if the marketplace innkeeper and such person are related members as defined in Code Section 48-7-28.3. If a marketplace innkeeper is relieved of liability under this subsection, the person on whose behalf the sale was facilitated shall be solely liable for the amount of uncollected tax.

(i) A person that is a franchisor as such term is defined by 16 C.F.R. 436.1 shall not be a marketplace innkeeper with respect to any innkeeper as defined in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of Code Section 48-13-50.2 that is its franchisee, as such term is defined by 16 C.F.R. 436.1, and that would otherwise be a marketplace innkeeper of such franchisor, provided that:

(1) In the prior calendar year, such franchisor and all of its franchisees combined made annual gross sales in the United States of at least $500 million in aggregate;

(2) Such franchisee maintains a valid certificate of registration as required by Code Section 48-8-59; and

(3) Such franchisee and franchisor maintain a valid contract providing that the franchisee will collect and remit all applicable taxes and fees that the franchisor would otherwise be required to collect and remit as a marketplace innkeeper for such franchisee."

**SECTION 4.**

Said article is further amended in Code Section 48-13-51, relating to county and municipal levies on public accommodations, by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a), paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of subsection (b), and subsection (b.1) as follows:

"(a)(1)(A)(i) The governing authority of each municipality in this state may levy and collect an excise tax upon the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations facilitated or furnished by an innkeeper ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value~~.

(ii) Within the territorial limits of the special district located within the county, each county in this state may levy and collect an excise tax upon the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations facilitated or furnished by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the county for operating within the special district a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value~~ an innkeeper.

(iii) The provisions of this Code section shall control over the provisions of any local ordinance or resolution to the contrary enacted pursuant to Code Section 48-13-53 and in effect prior to July 1, 1998, or enacted pursuant to this article and in effect prior to July 1, 2021. Any such ordinance shall not be deemed repealed by this Code section but shall be administered in conformity with this Code section.

(B)(i) The excise tax shall be imposed on ~~any person or legal entity licensed by or required to pay a business or occupation tax to the governing authority imposing the tax for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly furnished for value~~ the innkeeper and shall apply to the furnishing for value of any room, lodging, or accommodation. Every person or entity subject to a tax levied as provided in this Code section shall, except as provided in this Code section, be liable for the tax at the applicable rate on the lodging charges actually collected or, if the amount of taxes collected from the ~~hotel or motel~~ guest is in excess of the total amount that should have been collected, the total amount actually collected must be remitted.

(ii) Any tax levied as provided in this Code section is also imposed upon every person or entity who is a ~~hotel or motel~~ guest and who receives a room, lodging, or accommodation that is subject to the tax levied under this Code section. Every such

guest subject to the tax levied under this Code section shall pay the tax to the ~~person or entity~~ innkeeper providing or facilitating the room, lodging, or accommodation. The tax shall be a debt of the person obtaining the room, lodging, or accommodation to the ~~person or entity~~ innkeeper providing or facilitating such room, lodging, or accommodation until it is paid and shall be recoverable at law by the ~~person or entity~~ innkeeper providing or facilitating such room, lodging, or accommodation in the same manner as authorized for the recovery of other debts. The ~~person or entity~~ innkeeper collecting the tax from the ~~hotel or motel~~ guest shall remit the tax to the governing authority imposing the tax, and the tax remitted shall be a credit against the tax imposed by division (i) of this subparagraph on the ~~person or entity~~ innkeeper providing or facilitating the room, lodging, or accommodation.

(C) Reserved.

(D) Except as provided in paragraphs (2.1), (2.2), (3), (3.1), (3.2), (3.3), (3.4), (3.5), (3.7), (4), (4.1), (4.2), (4.3), (4.4), (4.5), (4.6), (4.7), (5), (5.1), (5.2), and (5.3) of this subsection, no tax levied pursuant to this Code section shall be levied or collected at a rate exceeding 3 percent of the charge to the public for the furnishings."

"(b)(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of subsection (a) of this Code section, any new excise taxes which are first levied pursuant to this Code section after July 1, 2008, or any new excise tax which is first levied following the termination of a previous levy pursuant to this Code section after July 1, 2008, shall be levied pursuant to this subsection.

(2) The governing authority of each municipality in this state may levy an excise tax pursuant to this subsection at a rate not to exceed 8 percent of the charge for the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations furnished or facilitated by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value~~ an innkeeper.

(3) Within the territorial limits of the special district located within the county, each county in this state may levy an excise tax pursuant to this subsection at a rate not to exceed 8 percent of the charge for the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations furnished or facilitated by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the county for operating within the special district a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value~~ an innkeeper."

"(b.1) As an alternative to the provisions of subsection (b) of this Code section, any county (within the territorial limits of the special district located within the county) and any municipality which is levying a tax under this Code section at the rate of 6 percent under paragraph (3.4) or (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall be authorized to levy a tax under this Code section at the rate of 7 percent in the manner provided in this subsection. Both the county and municipality shall adopt a resolution which shall specify that an amount equal to the total amount of taxes collected under such levy at a rate of 6

percent shall continue to be expended as it was expended pursuant to either paragraph (3.4) or (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section, as applicable, and such resolution shall specify the manner of expenditure of funds for an amount equal to the total amount of taxes collected under such levy that exceeds the amount that would be collected at the rate of 6 percent for any tourism, convention, or trade show purposes, tourism product development purposes, or any combination thereof. Each resolution shall be required to be ratified by a local Act of the General Assembly. Only when both such local Acts have become law, the governing authority of the county and municipality shall be authorized to levy an excise tax pursuant to this subsection at the rate of 7 percent of the charge for the furnishing for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations furnished or facilitated by ~~any person or legal entity licensed by, or required to pay business or occupation taxes to, the municipality for operating a hotel, motel, inn, lodge, tourist camp, tourist cabin, campground, or any other place in which rooms, lodgings, or accommodations are regularly or periodically furnished for value~~ an innkeeper."

**SECTION 5.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021, and shall apply to each incidence of the furnishing for value to the public any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations occurring on or after July 1, 2021; provided, however, that the provisions of Section 2 of this Act shall not be applicable to any rental or lease for value to the public of any room or rooms, lodgings, or accommodations which are not hotel or motel rooms for which a reservation was made and any payment or deposit was tendered prior to July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 6.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Au | Y Hatchett | Payne |
| N Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |

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| Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Dixon | Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 31, nays 5.

HB 317, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 317. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Jackson of the 41st

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 317. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Davenport of the 44th

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 317. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Anderson of the 43rd

Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd asked unanimous consent that HB 653, having been placed

on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 653, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 653. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Stephens of the 164th, Greene of the 151st, Knight of the 130th and Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 26-4-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to the "Georgia Pharmacy Practice Act," so as to revise the definition of "pharmacy care"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

HB 653, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/2021

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 653. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Davenport of the 44th

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 653. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Jackson of the 41st

Senator Strickland of the 17th asked unanimous consent that Senator Harbin of the 16th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Harbin was excused.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that HB 327, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 327, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 327. By Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Kelley of the 16th, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Allen of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to prevent organized retail crime; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the O.C.G.A., relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale and purchase of stored value cards; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale of goods by third-party sellers on online marketplaces; to provide for penalties for failure to comply; to provide for confidentiality; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to theft, so as to define certain terms relating to retail property fencing, shoplifting, and refund fraud; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Albers of the 56th.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 327:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To prevent organized retail crime; to amend Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale and purchase of stored value cards; to provide for penalties for failure to comply; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to define certain terms relating to retail property fencing, shoplifting, and refund fraud; to provide for the crime of organized retail theft; to provide for penalties for violations; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART ONE**
**SECTION 1-1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Organized Retail Crime Prevention Act."

**PART TWO**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to selling and other trade practices, is amended by revising Article 12, which was previously reserved, as follows:

"ARTICLE 12

10-1-310.

(a) As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Corporate authorized reseller' means any person or entity authorized by the corporate issuer or a corporate issuer agent to sell the stored value cards of a corporate issuer.

(2) 'Corporate issuer' means a company that issues or contracts with an affiliate or third party to issue stored value cards that may be used by the cardholder to purchase goods or services at the retail locations of the corporate issuer or its affiliates or online from the corporate issuer or its affiliates.

(3) 'Corporate issuer agent' means a third party authorized by the corporate issuer to facilitate the sale of its stored value cards by corporate authorized resellers.

(4) 'Stored value card' means any 'gift certificate' or 'store gift card,' as such terms are defined in subparagraph (b)(33)(B) of Code Section 10-1-393, issued with or without a fee for the use of the cardholder to obtain money, goods, services, or anything else of value. The term shall not include a 'general use gift card' as such term is defined in subparagraph (b)(33)(B) of Code Section 10-1-393, demand deposit account, share draft account, savings account, prepaid debit card, or any card sold by a financial institution or access device associated therewith.

(5) 'Third party card' means a stored value card for which the merchant buying or selling the card is neither the corporate issuer, a corporate issuer agent, nor a corporate authorized reseller.

(6) 'Third party card dealer' means a merchant in the business of buying and selling third party cards.

(b) When a third party card dealer makes a sale or purchase of a stored value card, including any transaction that occurs in this state, such third party card dealer shall record the information provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section and maintain a copy of such record for at least three years.

(c) Third party card dealers shall maintain a permanent record in which shall be entered in legible English at the time of each purchase of a third party card:

(1) The date of the transaction;

(2) The name of the person conducting the transaction;

(3) The name, age, and address of the seller and the distinctive number from the customer's driver's license or other similar identification card;

(4) An identification of the purchased stored value card, including the retailer for which the stored value card is intended and the stored value card number;

(5) The amount of stored value on the stored value card;

(6) The price paid; and

(7) The signature of the customer.

(d) Entries shall appear in ink or be logged into a secure data base, software system, or other technology platform and shall be in chronological order. No obliterations, alterations, or erasures may be made. If handwritten corrections are made, such corrections shall be made by drawing a line of ink through the entry without destroying its legibility. The permanent record shall be open to the inspection of any duly authorized law enforcement officer during the ordinary hours of business or at any reasonable time.

(e) Any third party card dealer and any clerk, agent, or employee of such third party card dealer who knowingly:

(1) Fails to make an entry of any material matter in his or her permanent record;

(2) Makes any false entry therein;

(3) Falsifies, obliterates, destroys, or removes from his or her place of business such permanent record;

(4) Refuses to allow any duly authorized law enforcement officer who is certified by the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, or who is a federal officer, to inspect his or her permanent record or any stored value cards in his or her

possession during the ordinary hours of business or at any reasonable time; or

(5) Fails to maintain a record of each stored value card transaction for at least three years shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(f) Upon filing an official report to a law enforcement agency of competent jurisdiction by any person alleging to be a victim of theft of one or more stored value cards with an aggregate value exceeding $500.00, such law enforcement agency may request that the issuer or its agents preserve and provide to law enforcement all relevant evidence reasonably foreseeable to assist in future criminal actions in accordance with the laws of evidence in criminal proceedings ~~Reserved~~."

**PART THREE**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 16-8-5.2, relating to retail property fencing, civil forfeiture, and related matters, as follows:

"(1) 'Retail property' means any ~~new~~ article, product, commodity, item, or component intended to be sold in retail commerce."

**SECTION 3-2.**

Said article is further amended by revising subparagraph (b)(1)(C) of Code Section 16-8-14, relating to theft by shoplifting, as follows:

"(C)(i) As used in this subparagraph, the term 'conviction' shall include a plea of nolo contendere.

(ii) Upon conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense for shoplifting, ~~where~~ when the prior convictions are either felonies or misdemeanors, or any combination of felonies and misdemeanors, as defined by this Code section, the defendant ~~commits~~ shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years; and the first year of such sentence shall not be suspended, probated, deferred, or withheld; provided, however, that, in the court's discretion, the court may depart from such mandatory minimum sentence when the prosecuting attorney and defendant have agreed to a sentence that is below such mandatory sentence."

**SECTION 3-3.**

Said article is further amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (c) of Code Section 16-8-14.1, relating to refund fraud, as follows:

"(3)(A) As used in this paragraph, the term 'conviction' shall include a plea of nolo contendere.

(B) Upon conviction of a fourth or subsequent offense for a violation of any provision of this Code section, the defendant shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than one nor more than ten years; and the first year of such sentence shall not be suspended, probated, deferred, or withheld;

provided, however, that, in the court's discretion, the court may depart from such mandatory minimum sentence when the prosecuting attorney and defendant have agreed to a sentence that is below such mandatory sentence."

**SECTION 3-4.**

Said article is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-8-14.2.

(a) A person commits the offense of organized retail theft when such person intentionally organizes, plans, finances, directs, manages, or supervises one or more other persons to appropriate property of a store or retail establishment to his or her own use without paying for such property or to deprive the owner of the property of the value thereof, in whole or in part, and when such property is taken from one or more stores or retail establishments over a period of 180 days with the intent to sell such property for monetary or other gain and when the aggregate value of the property which was the subject of the theft has a value exceeding $24,999.99 and is placed or is to be placed in the control of a retail property fence as defined in Code Section 16-8-5.2 or other person in exchange for consideration.

(b) In all cases involving organized retail theft, the term 'value' means the actual retail price of the property at the time and place of the offense. The unaltered price tag or other marking on property, or duly identified photographs thereof, shall be prima-facie evidence of value and ownership of the property.

(c) In any criminal proceeding pursuant to this Code section, the crime shall be considered to have been committed in any county in which an incident of organized retail theft occurred.

(d) A person convicted of a violation of this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than three nor more than 20 years, a fine not to exceed $50,000.00, or both."

**PART FOUR**
**SECTION 4-1.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | E Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |

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|---|---|---|
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 43, nays 3.

HB 327, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that HB 606, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 606, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 606. By Representatives Nix of the 69th, Dickey of the 140th, Yearta of the 152nd, Belton of the 112th, Cheokas of the 138th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-3-519 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding HOPE scholarships and grants, so as to add the Georgia Independent School Association to the list of accrediting agencies; to provide for an effective date; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 606, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Jackson of the 41st asked unanimous consent that Senator Lucas of the 26th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Lucas was excused.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that HB 383, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 383, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 383. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Efstration of the 104th, Cooper of the 43rd, Dollar of the 45th, Mitchell of the 88th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure relative to state purchasing, so as to prohibit the state from entering into certain contracts with an individual or company unless such contracts contain a certification that such individual or company does not presently conduct a boycott of Israel and will not conduct such a boycott for the duration of such contract; to exclude certain contracts from these requirements;

to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 383:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure relative to state purchasing, so as to prohibit the state from entering into certain contracts with a company unless such contracts contain a certification that such company does not presently conduct a boycott of Israel and will not conduct such a boycott for the duration of such contract; to exclude certain contracts from these requirements; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 1 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general authority, duties, and procedure relative to state purchasing, is amended in Code Section 50-5-85, relating to state prohibited from entering into certain contracts without certification that boycott of Israel not to be conducted by other party, as follows:

"50-5-85.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Boycott of Israel' means engaging in refusals to deal with, terminating business activities with, or other actions that are intended to limit commercial relations with Israel ~~or individuals~~ or companies doing business in Israel ~~or in Israeli-controlled territories~~ , with Israel, organized under the laws of the State of Israel, or licensed by Israel to do business in Israel, when such actions are taken:

(A) In compliance or adherence to calls for a boycott of Israel other than those boycotts to which 50 U.S.C. App. Section 2407(c), as it existed on January 1, 2016, applies; or

(B) In a manner that discriminates on the basis of nationality, national origin, religion, or other unreasonable basis that is not founded on a valid business reason.

(2) 'Company' means any ~~sole proprietorship,~~ organization, association, corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, limited liability company, or other entity or business association which employs more than five persons but excludes individuals and sole proprietorships, including all wholly owned subsidiaries, majority owned subsidiaries, parent companies, or affiliates of

such entities or business associations, that exists for the purpose of making profit.

(b) The state shall not enter into a contract valued at $100,000.00 or more with ~~an individual or~~ a company if the contract is related to construction or the provision of services, supplies, or information technology unless the contract includes a written certification that such ~~individual or~~ company is not currently engaged in, and agrees for the duration of the contract not to engage in, a boycott of Israel.

~~(c) Subsection (b) of this Code section shall not apply to contracts with a total value of less than $1,000.00.~~"

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 2.

HB 383, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Tillery of the 19th asked unanimous consent that HB 334, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 334, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 334. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Jones of the 25th, Leverett of the 33rd, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 and Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to recording of deeds and other real property transactions and inspection of public records; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Tillery of the 19th.

The Senate Committee on Judiciary offered the following substitute to HB 334:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public, respectively, so as to provide for remote online notaries public and remote online notarizations; to provide for and revise definitions; to revise the powers of the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority; to provide for requirements for remote online notaries public and remote online notarization; to provide that the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority may adopt certain standards for remote online notarization; to provide for application and appointment as a remote online notary public; to provide requirements for electronic journaling; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, so as to provide that certain records of remote online notarization processes shall not be subject to public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts, is amended by revising paragraphs (8) and (9) and by adding a new paragraph to subsection (d) of Code Section 15-6-94, relating to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, as follows:

"(8) To exercise any power granted by the laws of this state to public or private corporations which is not in conflict with the public purpose of the authority; ~~and~~

(9) To issue technical standards for remote online notarization pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45; and

~~(9)~~(10) To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the powers conferred by this Code section and to carry out such duties and activities as are specifically imposed upon the authority by law."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding notaries public, is amended by revising Code Section 45-17-1, relating to definitions, as follows:

"45-17-1.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Appear', 'personally appear', and 'in the presence of' mean:

(A) Being in the same physical location as another individual and close enough to see, hear, communicate with, and exchange tangible identification credentials with such individual; or

(B) For remote online notary purposes, interacting with another individual by means of communication technology that complies with the provisions of this article.

(2) 'Attesting', ~~and~~ 'attestation', and 'attested' are synonymous and mean the notarial act of witnessing or attesting a signature or execution of a deed or other written instrument, where such notarial act does not involve the taking of an acknowledgment, the administering of an oath or affirmation, the taking of a verification, or the certification of a copy.

(3) 'Communication technology' means an electronic device or process that allows a remote online notary public physically located in this state and a remotely located individual to communicate with each other simultaneously by sight and sound and which, as necessary, makes reasonable accommodations for individuals with vision, hearing, or speech impediments.

(4) 'Credential analysis' means a process or service operating according to the standards through which a third person or entity affirms the validity of a government issued identification credential through review of public or proprietary data sources.

(5) 'Digital signature' means an electronic signature that embeds registered personal key infrastructure technology into the signing process and provides for the authentication of the identity of a remote online notary public, confirmation of the signed document's contents, and for the nonrepudiation of the notary's electronic signature. The digital signature shall be made pursuant to and associated with a digital certificate issued by a trusted service provider which is attached to or logically associated with an electronic document and adopted by a notary public with the intent to sign an electronic document in the official capacity as a notary. A digital signature means an electronic signature that is, and shall be, made in compliance with the standards adopted pursuant to this article by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority based on the Digital Signature Standard (DSS) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).
(6) 'Electronic' means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.
(7) 'Electronic document' and 'electronic record' mean information that is created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored by electronic means.
(8) 'Electronic journal' means a record kept by the remote online notary public to track and document every notarial act performed, as provided by subsection (a) of Code Section 45-17-8.5.
(9) 'Electronic in-person notarization' means the notarization of an electronic record when the signer or signers of the record are in the physical presence of the notary public and that include the notary's electronic notarial certificate, the notary's digital signature, and electronic signatures of each signer.
(10) 'Electronic notarial certificate' means the electronic form of an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, or verification of witness or attestation that is completed by a notary performing an electronic in-person notarization and:
(A) Contains the notary public's digital signature, electronic seal, title, and commission expiration date; or
(B) Otherwise conforms to the requirements for an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, or verification of witness or attestation under the laws of this state.
(11) 'Electronic seal' means information within a notarized electronic document that confirms the remote online notary public's, or electronic in person notary public's, name, jurisdiction, commission expiration date, commission number, and otherwise generally corresponds to information in notary public seals used on paper documents.
(12) 'Electronic signature' means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by an individual with the intent to sign the electronic document or record.
(13) 'Identity proofing' means a process or service operating pursuant to the standards through which credential analysis and authentication confirms the identity of an individual.
~~(2)~~(14) 'Notarial act' means any act that a notary public is authorized by law to perform and includes, without limitation, attestation, the taking of an

acknowledgment, the administration of an oath or affirmation, the taking of a verification upon an oath or affirmation, and the certification of a copy.

~~(3)~~(15) 'Notarial certificate' means the notary's documentation of a notarial act.

(16) 'Notary' and 'notary public' mean a person who has been appointed by a clerk of superior court pursuant to Code Section 45-17-2.3.

(17) 'Original appointment' means a notary public appointment other than a remote online notary public appointment.

(18) 'Real estate document' means any instrument, document, or deed entitled to recordation in the real property records or lien indices or recording records maintained by the clerk of superior court, and any instrument or document executed in connection with the conveyance of land whether recorded or not.

(19) 'Remote online notarial certificate' is the electronic form of an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, or verification of witness or attestation that is completed by a remote online notary public performing a remote online notarization and:

(A) Contains the remote online notary public's digital signature, electronic seal, title, and commission expiration date;

(B) Contains the date and location address of the signer or signers and the location of the remote online notary public;

(C) Contains a statement that the signer or signers executing the electronic document or making the acknowledgment, oath, affirmation, verification, or attestation appeared remotely online;

(D) Otherwise conforms to the requirements for an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, verification of witness or attestation under the laws of this state; and

(E) Contains a statement that the signer or signers affirmatively agreed to electronic execution and remote online notarization.

(20) 'Remote online notarization' or 'remote online notarial act' means a notarial act performed by a remote online notary public by means of communication technology according to the provisions of this article.

(21) 'Remote online notary public' means a notary public who has been commissioned as a remote online notary public to perform online notarizations under this article.

(22) 'Remote presentation' means transmission to the remote online notary public through communication technology of an image of a government issued identification credential that is of sufficient quality to enable the remote online notary public to:

(A) Identify the individual seeking the remote online notary public's services; and

(B) Perform credential analysis.

(23) 'Remotely located individual' means an individual who is not in the physical presence of the remote online notary public.

(24) 'Repository' means a third-party business entity authorized to transact business in this state that is in the business of retaining electronic journals and audiovisual copies of remote online notarizations according to Code Section 45-17-8.5.

(25) 'Signer' means an individual whose electronic signature is notarized in an electronic in-person notarization or a remote online notarization or is making an oath or affirmation or an acknowledgment, other than in the capacity of a witness, for a document which is to be notarized by an electronic in-person notarization or a remote online notarization.

(26) 'Standards' means the remote online notary standards as shall be adopted by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-6, relating to seal of office, as follows:

"45-17-6.

(a)(1) For the authentication of his or her notarial acts, each notary public must provide a seal of office, which seal shall have for its impression ~~his~~ the notary's name, the words 'Notary Public,' the name of the state, and the county of ~~his residence~~ the notary's appointment; or it shall have for its impression ~~his~~ the notary's name and the words 'Notary Public, Georgia, State at Large.' Notaries commissioned or renewing their commission after July 1, 1985, shall provide a seal of office which shall have for its impression the notary's name, the words 'Notary Public,' the name of the state, and the county of ~~his~~ the notary's appointment. The embossment of notarial certificates by the notary's seal shall be authorized but not necessary~~,~~ and the use of a rubber or other type stamp shall be sufficient for imprinting the notary's seal on paper notarial certificates. A scrawl shall not be a sufficient notary seal. An official notarial act must be documented by the notary's seal. An electronic seal shall be used for purposes of any electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarization.

(2) No document executed prior to July 1, 1986, which would otherwise be eligible for recording in the real property records maintained by any clerk of superior court or constitute record notice or actual notice of any matter to any person shall be ineligible for recording or fail to constitute such notice because of noncompliance with the requirement that the document contain a notary seal.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to supply a notary public seal to any person unless the person has presented the duplicate original of the certificate commissioning the person as a notary public. It shall be unlawful for any person to order or obtain a notary public seal unless such person is commissioned as a notary public."

**SECTION 1-4.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 45-17-8.1, relating to signature and date of notarial act, as follows:

"(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, in documenting a notarial act, a notary public shall sign on the notarial certification, digitally in the case of electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarization or by hand in ink in all other cases, only and exactly the name indicated on the notary's commission and shall record on the

notarial certification the exact date of the notarial act."

**SECTION 1-5.**

Said article is further amended by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"45-17-8.3.

(a) Prior to January 1, 2022, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall adopt standards for remote online notarization in accordance with this article.

(b) The Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority may confer with any appropriate state agency on matters relating to equipment, security, and technological aspects of the remote online notarization standards.

(c) In the adoption of any standards it may adopt pursuant to this article, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall consider the most recent standards established by relevant national bodies, such as the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS).

45-17-8.4

(a) Appointment as a notary public in this state shall be a requirement and condition precedent for appointment as a remote online notary public.

(b) Before each application for appointment as a remote online notary public, an individual shall complete a course of instruction provided by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority and pass an examination based on such course. The content of the course shall include notarial standards and procedures, the standards, and ethical obligations pertaining to electronic in-person notarization and remote online notarization in this article or in any other law. Such course may be taken in conjunction with any course required by the clerk of superior court for an original appointment. The standards for such course shall be developed, maintained, and administered by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority and neither the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority nor any clerk of superior court shall charge a fee for such course.

(c) Effective January 1, 2022, an individual who meets the qualifications for becoming a notary public of this state desiring to be appointed as a remote online notary public shall submit an application to the clerk of superior court of the county of the applicant's current residence. In the event that such applicant is the holder of an unexpired notary commission issued from a county other than the county of the applicant's current residence, such applicant shall officially resign the unexpired commission and make new application to the clerk of superior court for the county of current residence for both a notary commission and commission as a remote online notary public. An application may request both an original appointment or renewal and a remote online notary public appointment. The application for a remote online notary public appointment shall set forth the declaration that the notary meets the qualifications for remote online notarization as provided by this article. Such application shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(1) The applicant's legal name to be used in acting as a notary public;

(2) Email address of the applicant;
(3) Telephone number of the applicant;
(4) Proof of successful completion by the applicant of the course and examination required by subsection (b) of this Code section;
(5) A physical residential address of the applicant in this state if a resident of this state;
(6) Evidence that the notary surety bond prescribed by this article for the performance or remote online notarial acts has been issued;
(7) The identity of the technology provider the remote online notary public intends to use for remote online notarization and the repository to be used by such notary for maintenance of his or her electronic journal and audiovisual recordings. The technology provider, communication technology, and repository selected by the remote online notary public must conform to standards;
(8) A certification that the applicant will comply with this article and the standards;
(9) Disclosure of any and all license or commission revocations or other governmental disciplinary actions against the applicant; and
(10) Any other information, evidence, or declaration requested by the clerk of superior court.
(d)(1) The fee for submitting an application for appointment as a remote online notary shall be paid to the county general fund and shall be the same fee as for an application for an original appointment pursuant to Code Section 45-17-4. One fee shall be collected for:
(A) An application for a commission as a remote online notary public;
(B) An application for a notary commission renewal and a commission as a remote online notary public; or
(C) An application for an original or new notary commission and commission as a remote online notary public.
(2) The Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority or the clerk of superior court shall not charge, add, or require any additional fees for submitting an application for appointment as a remote online notary under this article.
(e) Upon the applicant's fulfillment of the requirements for appointment under this chapter, the clerk of superior court may approve or deny the appointment based on the provisions of this article and Code Section 45-17-2.3, and upon approval shall issue to the applicant a commission as a remote online notary public and a unique remote online notary public commission number.
(f) Unless terminated pursuant to this article, the term of commission to perform remote online notarization shall coincide with the term of the original appointment or any renewal thereof.
(g) Upon approval of the application to be appointed a remote online notary public by the clerk of superior court, such notary shall:
(1) Be authorized to perform remote online notarization pursuant to this article;
(2) Maintain a notary surety bond in the amount of $2,000.00;
(3) Except for a remote online notary public as appointed under subsection (h) of this

Code section, maintain a residential domicile and physical presence in this state; and

(4) Promptly notify the appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, of any change in the information provided in the remote online notary public application, including, but not limited to, legal name, email address, telephone number, physical residential address, any change in the technology or repository provider used by such online notary public, and the name and address of the repository used by such remote online notary public for maintenance of his or her electronic journal.

(h)(1) Any person wishing to be commissioned as a remote online notary public must meet all the requirements of Code Section 45-17-2 as to an original appointment and this article as to a remote online notary public appointment.

(2) In addition to the submission requirements for an original appointment under Code Section 45-17-2.1, such individual shall submit the application for a remote online notary public as required in this article to the clerk of superior court in the county in which such individual carries on such profession, business, or employment. The clerk of superior court shall approve or deny such application based on the provisions of this article and Code Section 45-17-2.3. Upon approval and payment of the usual fees to the clerk, the applicant shall be issued a unique remote online notary public commission number and shall be authorized to perform all duties and exercise all of the powers and authorities relating to remote online notary publics who are residents of this state.

45-17-8.5

(a) Each remote online notary public shall keep a secure, permanent, tamper-evident electronic journal in accordance with this article and the standards with entries for each remote online notarization. A journal entry shall at a minimum include the:

(1) Date and time of the remote online notarization;

(2) Type of remote online notarial act;

(3) Type, title, or description of the electronic document or proceeding;

(4) Name and address of each signer involved in the transaction or proceeding, notarized by such notary;

(5) Confirmation of identify based on evidence of identity presented for each signer involved in the transaction or proceeding in the form of:

(A) Notation of the type of identification document provided to the remote online notary public pursuant to the credential analysis; and

(B) A description and results of each identity proofing performed;

(6) Physical location of the signer or signers of the document at the time of notarization;

(7) Physical location of the remote online notary public at the time of remote online notarization; and

(8) The fee, if any, charged for the remote online notarization.

(b) The electronic journal shall be retained and maintained for at least ten years after the date of the last remote online notarial transaction performed.

(c) Each remote online notary public shall cause an electronic copy of each electronic journal entry to be promptly transmitted to and retained by a repository for retention. Each repository receiving any journal or journal entry shall securely retain and maintain such electronic journal for a minimum of ten years following the last submission of an electronic journal entry by a remote online notary public.

(d) Each remote online notary public shall create an audiovisual recording of the performance of the remote online notarial act as evidence of participant identity, type of participant identification presented, and the validity of the notarial act.

(e) Each remote online notary public shall cause an electronic copy of each audiovisual recording to be immediately transmitted to and retained by a repository. Each repository receiving any audiovisual recording shall securely retain and maintain such audiovisual recording for a minimum of ten years following submission of the last audiovisual recording submitted by a remote online notary public.

(f)(1) When adopting standards regarding remote online notarization, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall consider the most recent guidance or model standards proposed by relevant organizations recognized in such field of practice, including, but not limited to, the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS).

(2) When adopting standards regarding digital signatures, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall consider the most recent guidance or model standards proposed by relevant organizations recognized in such field of practice, including, but not limited to, the Digital Signature Standard (DSS) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

(g) A remote online notary public shall take reasonable steps to:

(1) Ensure the integrity, security, and authenticity of each remote online notarization;

(2) Maintain a backup of each electronic journal required by subsection (a) of this Code section and the recording required by subsection (d) of this Code section; and

(3) Protect the backup record from unauthorized use.

45-17-8.6

(a) A notary public physically located in this state may perform electronic in-person notarization in accordance with this article and the standards for an individual who is in the physical presence of the notary public.

(b) A remote online notary public physically located in this state may perform remote online notarization using communication technology in accordance with this article and the standards for a remotely located individual who is physically located:

(1) In this state; or

(2) Outside this state but within the United States.

45-17-8.7.

(a) A notary public and a remote online notary public shall take reasonable steps to ensure that any registered device or digital certificate used to create an electronic signature or the notary's or remote online notary public's digital signature is current,

valid, and has not been revoked or terminated by the device's or certificate's issuing or registering authority.

(b) The duties of the notary public and the remote online notary public, in addition to the duties provided for in Code Section 45-17-8, are to:

(1) Keep his or her electronic record, electronic signature, and electronic seal secure and under his or her exclusive control;

(2) Not allow another person to use his or her electronic record, digital signature, or electronic seal. A remote online notary public may use such remote online notary public's digital signature only for performing electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarization and a notary public may use such notary public's digital signature only for performing electronic in-person notarization;

(3) Attach his or her digital signature and seal to the remote online notarial certificate of an electronic document in a manner that is conducive to independent verification and renders evident any subsequent change or modification to the electronic document; and

(4) Immediately notify an appropriate law enforcement agency and appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, of the theft or vandalism of such notary's or remote online notary public's electronic record, digital signature, or electronic seal. A notary public or a remote online notary public shall immediately notify the appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, if his or her electronic record, digital signature, or electronic seal has been lost or used by another person.

45-17-8.8

(a) In performing a remote online notarization, a remote online notary public shall verify the identity of a signer creating an electronic signature at the time that the signature is taken by using secure communication technology that meets the requirements of this article and any standards adopted under this article. Identity shall be verified by each of the following:

(1) Remote presentation by the person creating the electronic signature of a valid government issued identification credential, including a passport or driver's license, that contains the signature and a photograph of the person;

(2) Credential analysis; and

(3) Successful verified identity proofing.

(b) The remote online notary public's communication technology provider and repository shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the communication technology used for a remote online notarization is secure from unauthorized interception. Each provider of communication technology products or services for remote online notarization in this state shall cause such products or services to comply with all provisions of this article and the standards relating to remote online notarization. Prior to providing remote online notary public products or services, a communication technology provider shall present a certificate of compliance to the remote online

notary public affirming that such products and services comply with the provisions of this article and the standards pursuant to this article.
(c) A remote online notary public shall require his or her communication technology provider used to comply with the provisions of this article and the standards.
(d) A remote online notarial act meeting the provisions of this Code section satisfies the requirement of any law of this state relating to a notarial act that requires a signer to appear or personally appear before a notary or that the notarial act be performed in the presence of a notary, except for a notarial act pursuant to a law governing the creation and execution of wills, codicils, or testamentary trusts or is for the purpose of recording a real estate document as defined in paragraph (18) of Code Section 45-17-1.

45-17-8.9.
(a) A remote online notary public or the remote online notary public's employer may charge a fee for performance of remote online notarization in an amount not to exceed $25.00 per remote online notarization.
(b) A notary public or a remote online notary public whose commission terminates shall destroy or delete the coding, disk, certificate, card, software, hardware, or password that enables the electronic affixation of the notary public's or remote online notary public's official digital signature and electronic seal.
(c) Any person that, without authorization, knowingly obtains, conceals, damages, destroys, or deletes the coding, disk, certificate, card, software, hardware, or password enabling a notary public or a remote online notary public to affix a digital signature or electronic seal shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished pursuant to Code Section 45-17-20.

45-17-8.10.
(a) Nothing in this article shall be construed to alter or supersede the law as set forth under Article 3 of Chapter 19 of Title 15 or any opinion or ruling by the Supreme Court of Georgia pertaining to the unauthorized practice of law in this state.
(b) A remote online notary public who is not a licensed Georgia attorney shall be prohibited from rendering services or advice that constitutes the practice of law in this state.

45-17-8.11.
(a) Any public official in this state, including all public officials of county and municipal government entities, shall be authorized to accept as an original a reproduction of any document executed using electronic signatures or electronic signatures and remote online notarization.
(b) A notary public or a remote online notary public shall not perform any notarial act by electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarial act by remote online notarization if the notarial act or remote online notarial act is pursuant to a law governing the creation and execution of any will, codicil or testamentary trust or is a real estate document as defined in paragraph (18) of Code Section 45-17-1.

**SECTION 1-6.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-9, relating to where notarial acts may be exercised, as follows:

"45-17-9.

Notarial acts or remote online notarial acts may be exercised in or from any county in ~~the~~ this state."

**SECTION 1-7.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-17, relating to resignation of commission, return of papers, and destruction of seal, as follows:

"45-17-17.

A person who wishes to resign a notarial commission or remote online notarial commission shall send a signed letter of resignation to the appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, and all papers of appointment. The resigning notary public or remote online notary public shall destroy or delete the official notarial seal."

**SECTION 1-8.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-18, relating to the resignation of commission, return of papers, and destruction of seal, as follows:

"45-17-18.

A notary public or remote online notary public whose commission expires and who does not apply for renewal of such commission or whose application for renewal of a commission is denied shall destroy or delete the official notary seal."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, is amended by revising paragraph (12) of subsection (a) of Code Section 50-18-72, relating to when public disclosure not required, as follows:

"(12) Records consisting of any audiovisual recording of the performance of a remote online notarization process as provided for by Code Section 45-17-8.5 ~~Reserved~~;"

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3-2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller (PRS) |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 334, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that HB 577, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 577, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 577. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Jasperse of the 11th, Burns of the 159th, Anulewicz of the 42nd and Wiedower of the 119th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 and Code Section 40-6-181 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and

ferries and maximum speed limits, respectively, so as to provide for a proposal guaranty for bids upon certain projects; to provide for the licensing of airports; to provide for definitions; to provide for issuance of cease and desist orders and punishment; to provide for posting of signage of maximum speed limits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 577:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 12-7-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to best management practices and minimum requirements for rules, regulations, ordinances, or resolutions for land-disturbing practices, so as to provide for the adoption of rules by the Board of Natural Resources relative to requests for variances for road construction and maintenance projects undertaken by the Georgia Department of Transportation; to amend Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for a proposal guaranty for bids upon certain projects; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations for financing and letting of projects; to provide for definitions; to provide for procedures, conditions, approval, and limitations upon an alternative contracting method to be used for certain projects; to provide for the licensing of airports; to provide for definitions; to provide for issuance of cease and desist orders and punishment; to revise bond validation processes for the State Road and Tollway Authority; to revise powers and definitions relative to such authority; to amend Code Section 40-6-181 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to maximum speed limits, so as to provide for posting of signage of maximum speed limits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 12-7-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to best management practices and minimum requirements for rules, regulations, ordinances, or resolutions for land-disturbing practices by the Board of Natural Resources, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b.1) On or before June 30, 2022, the board shall promulgate rules and regulations that contain specific criteria for the approval or denial by the director of requests for variances for road construction and maintenance projects undertaken by the Department of Transportation when:

(1) An alteration within the buffer area has been authorized pursuant to a permit issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the

Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, as amended, or Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899; provided, however, that adequate erosion control measures are incorporated into the project plans and specifications and such measures are fully implemented; or

(2) The land-disturbing activity is not eligible for a permit issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers under Section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972, as amended, and involves the piping, filling, or rerouting of waters that are not jurisdictional waters of the United States regardless as to whether or not such waters have been classified as primary or secondary trout waters."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, is amended in Code Section 32-2-65, relating to advertising for bids, by revising paragraph (5) of subsection (b) as follows:

"(5) The amount of the required proposal guaranty, if one is required;"

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-2-68, relating to proposal guaranty by bidder for highway projects, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) No bid for capital construction or capital maintenance will be considered by the department unless it is accompanied by a proposal guaranty in the form of a certified check or other acceptable security payable to the treasurer of the department for an amount deemed by the department to be in the public interest and necessary to ensure that the successful bidder will execute the contract ~~on which he~~ bid upon."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-2-69, relating to bidding process and award of contract, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Except as authorized by Code Sections 32-2-79, ~~and~~ 32-2-80, and 32-2-82, the department shall award contracts to the lowest reliable bidder, provided that the department shall have the right to reject any and all such bids whether such right is reserved in the public notice or not and, in such case, the department may readvertise, perform the work itself, or abandon the project."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by designating Code Sections 32-2-60 through 32-2-77 as new Part 1, designating Code Sections 32-2-78 through 32-2-82 as Part 2, and revising newly designated Part 2 to read as follows:

"Part 2

32-2-78.

As used in this ~~Code section and Code Sections 32-2-79 and 32-2-80~~ part, the term:

(1) 'Alternative contracting method' means a method of contracting authorized by Code Section 32-2-82.

(2) 'Construction manager/general contractor' means a person the department has selected to perform project delivery pursuant to Code Section 32-2-82.

~~(1)~~(3) 'Participating local governing authority' includes the governing authority of any county or municipality whose geographical jurisdiction includes the project.

~~(2)~~(4) 'Project' means ~~a project~~ an undertaking, including intermodal rail-related and multimodal transportation solutions, which the department deems appropriate for ~~letting pursuant to the procedures of Code Section 32-2-79 and Code Section 32-2-80~~ pursuing or letting based upon the authority granted in this part."

32-2-79.

~~(a) The~~ At a minimum, the staff of the department shall jointly identify and report to the board by July 31 of each odd-numbered year those ~~projects on the state-wide transportation improvement program or otherwise identified that afford the greatest gains in congestion mitigation or promotion of economic development~~ potential undertakings best suited for delivery under the procedures of Code Section 32-2-80 and that are expected to provide the greatest public benefit through enhanced public safety, enhanced mobility of goods, congestion mitigation, enhanced trade and economic development, improved air quality or land use, or reduction of public expenditures due to improved transportation efficiency or infrastructure preservation as aligned with the state-wide strategic transportation plan as defined in Code Section 32-2-41.1.

~~(b) Any project identified pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section that will not be initiated within two years of the reporting date or that does not have specific available and complete funding may be let and constructed utilizing the procedures of this Code section and Code Section 32-2-80. All personnel of the department shall cooperate in all respects in the letting, construction, maintenance, and operation of such projects, including without limitation providing such access and control of portions of the state highway system as may be requested or required from time to time for such purposes.~~

~~(c) Projects wholly or partly in a metropolitan planning area shall be included in a fiscally constrained transportation improvement program.~~"

32-2-80.

(a)(1) The department shall evaluate a potential project to determine, in the judgment of the department, appropriate or desirable levels of state, local, and private participation in financing such project. In making such determination, the department shall be authorized and encouraged to seek the advice and input of the affected local governing authorities, applicable metropolitan planning organizations, and the private financial and construction sectors.

~~(1.1)~~(2) No constitutional officer or member of the ~~State Transportation Board~~ board shall serve as an agent, lobbyist, or board member for any entity directly or indirectly under contract with or negotiating a contract with the department under this Code

section for one year after leaving his or her position as a constitutional officer or member of the ~~State Transportation Board~~ board.

(b)(1)~~(2)~~ For projects that are funded or financed in part or in whole by private sources, the department shall be authorized to issue a written request for proposal indicating in general terms the scope of the project, the proposed financial participations in the project, and the factors that will be used in evaluating the proposal and containing or incorporating by reference other applicable contractual terms and conditions, including any unique capabilities or qualifications that will be required of the contractor. Public notice of such request for proposal shall be made at least 90 days prior to the date set for receipt of proposals by posting the legal notice on a single website that shall be procured and maintained for such purposes by the Department of Administrative Services or in substantially the same manner utilized by the department to solicit requests for proposals.

~~(3)~~(2) For every project undertaken pursuant to this Code section ~~Upon receipt of a proposal or proposals responsive to the request for proposals~~, the department shall accept written public comment, solicited in the same manner as provided for ~~notice of proposals~~ in the request for proposal, for a period of 30 days beginning at least ten days after the ~~date set for receipt of proposals~~ public notice of the request for proposal is made pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection. In addition, the department shall hold at least one public hearing ~~on such proposals~~, which may be held by teleconference, not later than the conclusion of the period for public comment.

~~(4)~~(3) The department shall ~~engage in individual discussions with~~ select two or more respondents deemed fully qualified, responsible, and suitable ~~on the basis of initial responses and with emphasis~~ to engage for interview and discussion based upon responses on professional competence and ability to meet the level of private financial participation called for by the department. ~~Repetitive informal~~ Multiple interviews shall be permissible. In the event that any local governing authority has agreed to consider financial participation in the project, a representative of such local governing authority, appointed by such local governing authority, may participate in such discussions and interviews. ~~At the discussion~~ During this stage, the department may discuss estimates of total project costs, including, but not limited to, life cycle costing and nonbinding estimates of price for services. Proprietary information from competing respondents shall not be disclosed to the public or to competitors.

(4) Upon conclusion of discussions described in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the department shall rank respondents on the basis of the evaluation criteria set forth in the request for proposal. The department ~~At the conclusion of such discussions, on the basis of evaluation factors published in the request for proposal and all information developed in the selection process, the department, with the input of any participating local governing authority,~~ shall select in the order of preference two or more respondents whose qualifications and proposed services are deemed most meritorious~~. Negotiations shall then be conducted with two or more respondents and with the participation of the designated representative of any participating local governing authority~~ and shall conduct negotiations with those respondents.

Negotiations conducted under this paragraph can include, but are not limited to, one-on-one meetings or requests for proposals.

(5) Upon approval by the department, the commissioner shall select the respondent for project implementation based upon contract terms that are the most satisfactory and advantageous to the state and to the department based upon a thorough assessment of value and the ability of the final project's characteristics to meet state strategic goals and investment policies as provided for by Code Section 32-2-41.1. Before making such selection, the commissioner shall consult with any participating local governing authority or authorities.

(6) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the terms and conditions for multiple awards are included in the request for proposal, the department may award contracts to more than one respondent. Should the department determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one respondent is fully qualified, or that one respondent is clearly more highly qualified and suitable than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that respondent after the respondent is determined to be responsible.

~~(5)~~(c) Nothing in this Code section shall require the department to continue negotiations or discussions arising out of any request for proposal.

~~(6)~~(d) The department shall be authorized to promulgate reasonable rules or regulations to assist in ~~its evaluation of the~~ proposal evaluations and to implement the purposes of this Code section. The department shall report the content of such rules or regulations to the Transportation Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives for their approval by majority vote prior to the promulgation thereof and shall make quarterly reports to the same chairpersons of all of its activities undertaken pursuant to the provisions of this Code section.

~~(b)~~(e) Any contracts entered into pursuant to this Code section may authorize funding to include tolls, fares, or other user fees and tax increments for use of the project that is the subject of the proposal. Such funding may be distributed by contract among the participants in the project as may be provided for by contract. The department may take any action to obtain federal, state, or local assistance for a qualifying project that serves the public purpose of this Code section and may enter into any contracts required to receive such assistance. The department may determine that it serves the public purpose of this Code section for all or any portion of the costs of a qualifying project to be paid, directly or indirectly, from the proceeds of a grant or loan made by the federal, state, or local government or any instrumentality thereof. The department may agree to make grants or loans to the operator from time to time from amounts received from the federal, state, or local government or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

~~(c)~~(f) The commissioner shall be authorized to delegate such duties and responsibilities under this Code section as he or she deems appropriate from time to time; provided, however, that the final approval of contracts provided for in this Code section shall be by action of the ~~State Transportation Board~~ board.

~~(d)~~(g) The power of eminent domain shall not be delegated to any private entity with respect to any project commenced or proposed pursuant to this Code section.

~~(e)~~(h) Any contract ~~for a public-private partnership~~ entered into pursuant to this Code section shall require the private partner or each of its prime contractors to provide performance and payment security. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the penal sum or amount of such security may be less than the price of the contract involved, such as the value of the construction elements of the contract, based upon the department's determination on a project-by-project basis of what sum may be required to adequately protect the department, the state, and the contracting and subcontracting parties.

32-2-81.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'design-build procedure' means a method of contracting under which the department contracts with another party for the party to both design and build the structures, facilities, systems, and other items specified in the contract.

(b) The department may use the design-build procedure for projects that include buildings, bridges and approaches, rail corridors, technology deployments, and limited or controlled access projects or projects that may be constructed within existing rights of way where the scope of work can be clearly defined or when a significant savings in project delivery time can be attained.

(c) When the department determines that it is in the best interests of the public, the department may combine any or all of the environmental services, utility relocation services, right of way services, design services, and construction phases of a public road or other transportation purpose project into a single contract using a design-build procedure. Design-build contracts may be advertised and awarded notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Code Section 32-2-61~~. However,~~; provided, however, that construction activities shall not begin on any portion of such projects until title to the necessary rights of way and easements for the construction of that portion of the project has vested in the state or a local governmental entity and all railroad crossing and utility agreements have been executed.

(d) The department shall adopt by rule procedures for administering design-build contracts. Such procedures shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) Prequalification requirements;

(2) Public advertisement procedures;

(3) Request for qualification requirements;

(4) Request for proposal requirements;

(5) Criteria for evaluating technical information and project costs;

(6) Criteria for selection and award process, provided that the rules shall specify that the criteria for selection shall consist of the following minimum two components for any two-step procurement process:

(A) A statement of qualifications from which the department will determine a list of qualified firms for the project, provided that, if the department determines it is in the state's best interest, it may omit this requirement and move directly to a one-step procurement process through the issuance of a request for proposal from which the

department may select the lowest qualified bidder; and

(B) From the list of qualified firms as provided in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, a technical proposal and a price proposal from each firm from which the department shall select the lowest qualified bidder or, in the event the department uses the best value procurement process, the request for proposal shall specify the requirements necessary for the selection of the best value proposer which shall include, at a minimum, a weighted cost component and a technical component. A proposal shall only be considered nonresponsive if it does not contain all the information and level of detail requested in the request for proposal. A proposal shall not be deemed to be nonresponsive solely on the basis of minor irregularities in the proposal that do not directly affect the ability to fairly evaluate the merits of the proposal. Notwithstanding the requirements of Code Section 36-91-21, under no circumstances shall the department use a 'best and final offer' standard in awarding a contract in order to induce one proposer to bid against an offer of another proposer. The department may provide for a stipulated fee to be awarded to the short list of qualified proposers who provide a responsive, successful proposal. In consideration for paying the stipulated fee, the department may use any ideas or information contained in the proposals in connection with the contract awarded for the project, or in connection with a subsequent procurement, without obligation to pay any additional compensation to the unsuccessful proposers;

(7) Identification of those projects that the department believes are candidates for design-build contracting; and

(8) Criteria for resolution of contract issues. The department may adopt a method for resolving issues and disputes through negotiations at the project level by the program manager up to and including a dispute review board procedure with final review by the commissioner or his or her designee. Regardless of the status or disposition of the issue or dispute, the design-builder and the department shall continue to perform their contractual responsibilities. The department shall have the authority to suspend or provide for the suspension of Section 108 of the department's standard specifications pending final resolution of such contract issues and disputes. This paragraph shall not prevent an aggrieved party from seeking judicial review.

(e) In contracting for design-build projects, the department shall be limited to contracting for no more than 50 percent of the total amount of construction projects awarded in the previous fiscal year.

(f) Not later than 90 days after the end of the fiscal year, the department shall provide to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and chairpersons of the House and Senate Transportation Committees a summary containing all the projects awarded during the fiscal year using the design-build contracting method. Included in the report shall be an explanation for projects awarded to other than the ~~low-bid~~ low-bid proposal. This report shall be made available for public information.

32-2-82.

(a) The department shall be authorized to utilize an alternative contracting method for project delivery that includes one of the following:

(1) An agreement in which a construction manager/general contractor performs two phases of work as follows:

(A) The first phase, in which the construction manager/general contractor performs in the capacity of a construction manager, consisting of preconstruction services for a project which may be paid in lump sum, cost-plus fixed fee, cost per unit of work, specific rates of compensation, or other comparable payment method permitted by law; and

(B) The second phase, in which the construction manager/general contractor performs in the capacity of a general contractor, consisting of construction services for a project that may be performed under the same contract as that of the first phase, subject to agreement by the department as to the terms for payment for such services and using any method of payment permitted by law; provided that the construction manager/general contractor self-performs at least 30 percent of the total original price for construction work on the project;

(2) A predevelopment agreement, pursuant to which one or more contractors collaborate with the department on one or more projects:

(A) For the conceptual, preliminary, and final planning for such projects, which may include predevelopment services, financial planning, environmental studies, engineering, and assistance with public outreach; and

(B) To perform, at the department's election, the construction work for any such project, subject to agreement as to the basis of payment for construction services; or

(3) A comprehensive development agreement that allows for expedited project delivery through the concurrent design and construction of a project under a single multiphase contract, pursuant to which a contractor shall:

(A) Collaborate with the department to advance development of the project concept;

(B) Perform both the design and construction services; and

(C) Perform any operations or maintenance work required for the project.

(b) The department shall consider at least the following factors in assessing a project's suitability and feasibility for delivery through an alternative contracting method: public interest, innovation, risk, design complexity, cost control, and construction schedule optimization.

(c) When the department determines, in accordance with subsection (b) of this Code section, that the public interest is best served by delivering the project utilizing an alternative contracting method, the department shall submit to the board a written request to proceed in delivering a project using an alternative contracting method. The department shall not proceed with the project using an alternative contracting method without prior approval by the board.

(d) Upon approval of a request pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section, the department shall be authorized to issue a written solicitation identifying the scope of the

project, the factors to be used to evaluate responses to the solicitation, and the basis for award of the contract to perform work on the project utilizing an alternative contracting method.

(e) For any project for which an alternative contracting method is elected, the department shall utilize the procurement procedures under either Code Section 32-2-80 or 32-2-81 to competitively solicit proposals.

(f) The department shall be authorized to utilize the alternative contracting method to deliver no more than two projects during any single fiscal year and no more than seven projects over a single ten-year period. Solely as it relates to a project delivered using an alternative contracting method under this Code section, the department shall not encumber in any one fiscal year an amount greater than 5 percent of the department's capital budget in the previous fiscal year.

(g) Not later than 90 days after the end of a fiscal year in which the department has executed a contract to deliver a project using an alternative contracting method, the department shall provide to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and chairpersons of the House and Senate Transportation Committees a summary containing all contracts that utilized an alternative contracting method. This report shall be made available to the public.

(h) The department shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Code section.

(i) Not later than five years after the effective date of this Code section and then once every five years thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the members of the House and Senate Transportation Committees detailing all contracts executed to deliver a project using an alternative contracting method and the benefits of using an alternative contracting method compared with other contracting methods for review and consideration as to the effectiveness of this Code section and any necessary amendments."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 32-9-8, relating to licensing airports, as follows:

"32-9-8.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Aircraft' means any machine, whether heavier or lighter than air, used or designed for navigation of or flight in the air.

(2) 'Airport' means any area of land, water, or mechanical structure which is used for the landing and takeoff of aircraft and is open to the general public, as evidenced by the existence of a current and approved Federal Aviation Administration Form 7480-I or any successor application, for such use without prior permission or restrictions and includes any appurtenant structures and areas which are used or intended to be used for airport buildings, other airport facilities, rights of way, or easements~~,~~; provided, however, that the term 'airport' shall not include the following facilities used as

airports:

(A) Facilities owned or operated by the United States government or an agency thereof;

(B) Privately owned facilities not open to the general public when such airports do not interfere with the safe and efficient use of air space of an airport for which a license or an airport operating certificate issued under 14 C.F.R. Part 139 of the regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration or any successor regulation has been granted; and

(C) Facilities being operated pursuant to ~~a current airport operating certificate issued by the Federal Aviation Administration~~ 14 C.F.R. Part 139 relating to certification requirements for airports serving scheduled air carrier operations or any successor agency of the United States government~~; and~~

~~(D) Any facility served by a scheduled air carrier operating under a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the Civil Aeronautics Board or any successor agency of the United States government~~.

(3) 'Person' means an individual, firm, corporation, partnership, company, association, joint-stock association, municipality, county, or state agency, authority, or political subdivision and includes any director, employee, agent, trustee, receiver, assignee, or other similar representative thereof.

(b) It is declared that the operation of airports used by the public for general aviation purposes but which are operated without regulation as to minimum and uniform safety requirements endangers the lives and property of persons operating aircraft at these facilities, the passengers of aircraft operated by such persons, and the occupants of lands in the vicinity of such facilities. For the purpose of establishing and improving a system of safer airports and to foster safer operating conditions at these airports, the department is authorized and directed to provide for the licensing of airports. The department may charge a license fee of $100.00 per runway, up to a maximum of $400.00, for each original license and each renewal thereof. All licenses shall be renewed biennially. ~~In promulgating the rules and regulations establishing minimum standards, the department shall consult with the Georgia Aviation Trades Association.~~

(c) The department shall issue a ~~permit~~ license or renewal thereof to any owner of an airport ~~who~~ that applies for a ~~permit~~ license or renewal thereof, if, upon investigation, the department determines that the airport meets minimum standards, prescribed by the department in its rules and regulations, in the areas of geometric layout, navigational aids, lighting, approach surfaces, landing surfaces, runway markings, and separation between airport sites, provided that no ~~permit~~ license shall be denied the owner or operator of an airport in existence on July 1, 1978, because of the failure to meet minimum standards prescribed with regard to geometric layout and separation between airport sites.

(d) ~~Within nine months after July 1, 1978, the~~ The department shall promulgate and publish reasonable rules and regulations establishing the minimum standards provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section, the procedure for obtaining, renewing, and revoking a license, and such other procedures and conditions as are reasonable and

necessary to carry out this Code section.

(e) ~~Within six months after the effective date of the rules and regulations adopted by the department, the owner of each airport in this state shall apply, on forms prescribed by the department, for a license to operate the airport.~~ Within 60 days after the receipt of a properly filled out application for a license, with appropriate fee, the department shall act upon the application.

(f) All applications for renewal of a license shall be made to the department no later than 60 days prior to the expiration of the existing license.

(g) Applications for a license or renewal thereof may be denied, or a license may be revoked, by the department, after notice and opportunity for hearing to the licensee, when the department shall reasonably determine:

(1) That the licensee has failed to comply with the conditions of the license or renewal thereof;

(2) That the licensee has failed to comply with the minimum standards prescribed by the department pursuant to this Code section; or

(3) That because of changed physical or legal conditions or circumstances the airport has become either unsafe or unusable for the purposes for which the license or renewal was issued.

(h) The decision of the department to deny or revoke any license or renewal thereof shall be subject to review in the manner prescribed for the review of contested cases as prescribed by Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.'

(i)(1) It ~~After September 30, 1979, it~~ shall be unlawful for any person to own or operate an airport without first obtaining and thereafter maintaining a valid license as required by this Code section. ~~Any person owning or operating an airport without a valid license as prescribed by this Code section shall be subject to a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed $100.00, to be imposed by the commissioner.~~

(2) Whenever it appears or is made known to the department that any person is operating an airport without a valid license, the department may issue an initial written cease and desist order requiring such person to cease and desist immediately from such unauthorized activity. Such cease and desist order shall become final 20 calendar days from the date of issuance as noted on the order. If the proper license or evidence of exemption from licensure requirements during the time of the alleged unlicensed activity is provided to the department's satisfaction within the 20 day period, the order shall not become final and shall be rescinded in writing by the department. Review of an administrative decision of the department entered pursuant to this paragraph shall be available solely in the superior court of the county of domicile of the department and shall be filed no later than 30 days after the department's cease and desist order becomes final.

(3) When a person fails to comply with the terms of a final cease and desist order of the department, the department may, through the Attorney General and upon three days' written notice to such person, petition the superior court in the county where the unlicensed airport is located for an order directing such person to obey the final cease and desist order of the department. Upon the filing of such petition, the court shall

allow a motion to show cause as to why a final cease and desist order of the department should be affirmed. After a hearing upon the merits or after failure of such person to appear when ordered, the court may grant the petition of the department.

(4)(A) Any person that violates the terms of an order issued pursuant to this subsection shall be liable to the department for a civil penalty not to exceed $1,000.00 per violation per day.

(B) In determining the amount of penalty, the department shall consider the appropriateness of the penalty relative to the gravity of the violation, the history of any previous violation by such person, and any other such contributing factors or circumstances. The department may, in its discretion, compromise or modify any penalty that is subject to imposition or has been imposed pursuant to this paragraph. Any violator that is assessed a civil penalty may also be assessed the cost of collection, including, but not limited to, interest, court costs, and attorney's fees.

(C) Any person assessed a civil penalty as provided in this paragraph shall have the right to request a hearing into the matter as provided for in Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act' within ten days after notification of the assessment has been served upon the person involved; otherwise, such penalty shall be final.

(5) All penalties and fines recovered by the department pursuant to paragraph (4) of this subsection shall be paid to the general fund of the state; provided, however, that the department in its discretion may remit such amounts net of the cost of recovery if the department makes an accounting of all such costs and expenses of recovery."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-10-60, relating to definitions relative to the State Road and Tollway Authority, by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

"(5) 'Project' means ~~land public transportation systems~~ transportation related undertakings which provide a public benefit, including:

(A) One ~~one~~ or more roads or bridges or a system of roads, bridges, and tunnels or improvements thereto included on an approved state-wide transportation improvement program on the Developmental Highway System as set forth in Code Section 32-4-22, as now or hereafter amended, or a comprehensive transportation plan pursuant to Code Section 32-2-3 or which are toll access roads, bridges, or tunnels, with access limited or unlimited as determined by the authority, and such buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto, including but not limited to approaches, cross streets, roads, bridges, tunnels, and avenues of access for such system;

(B) Any ~~any~~ program for mass transportation or mass transportation facilities as approved by the authority and the department and such buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto, including, but not limited to, approaches, cross streets, roads, bridges, tunnels, and avenues of access for such facilities; and

(C) Any ~~any~~ project undertaken pursuant to ~~a public-private initiative as authorized pursuant to Code Section 32-2-78~~ Part 2 of Article 4 of Chapter 2 of this title."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-10-63, relating to powers of authority generally, by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

"(5) To make such contracts, leases, or conveyances as the legitimate and necessary purposes of this article shall require, including but not limited to contracts for construction or maintenance of projects, provided that the authority shall consider the possible economic, social, and environmental effects of each project, and the authority shall assure that possible adverse economic, social, and environmental effects relating to any proposed project have been fully considered in developing such project and that the final decision on the project is made in the best overall public interest, taking into consideration the need for fast, safe, and efficient transportation, public services, and the cost of eliminating or minimizing adverse economic, social, and environmental effects. Furthermore, in order to assure that adequate consideration is given to economic, social, and environmental effects of any ~~tollway~~ project under consideration, the authority shall:

(A) Follow the processes required for federal-aid highway projects, as determined by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, except that final approval of the adequacy of such consideration shall rest with the Governor, as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph, acting as the chief executive of the state, upon recommendation of the commissioner, acting as chief administrative officer of the Department of Transportation;

(B) In the location and design of any project, avoid the taking of or disruption of existing public parkland or public recreation areas unless there are no prudent or feasible project location alternates. The determination of prudency and feasibility shall be the responsibility of the authority as part of the consideration of the overall public interest;

(C) Not approve and proceed with acquisition of rights of way and construction of a project until: (i) there has been held, or there has been offered an opportunity to hold, a public hearing or public hearings on such project in compliance with requirements of the Federal-aid Highway Act of 1970, as amended, except that neither acquisition of right of way nor construction shall be required to cease on any federal-aid project which has received federal approval pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and is subsequently determined to be eligible for construction as an authority project utilizing, in whole or in part, a mix of federal funds and authority funds; and (ii) the adequacy of environmental considerations has been approved by the Governor, for which said approval of the environmental considerations may come in the form of the Governor's acceptance of a federally approved environmental document; and

(D) Let by public competitive bid upon plans and specifications approved by the chief engineer or his or her successors all contracts for the construction of projects,

except as otherwise provided for projects authorized under any provisions of ~~Code Sections 32-2-78 through 32-2-81~~ Part 2 of Article 4 of Chapter 2 of this title;"

**SECTION 9.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 32-10-107, relating to confirmation and validation of bonds for the State Road and Tollway Authority, as follows:

"32-10-107.

Bonds of the authority shall be confirmed and validated in accordance with Article 3 of Chapter 82 of Title 36, the 'Revenue Bond Law.' The petition for validation for conduit bonds issued pursuant to paragraph (8) of Code Section 32-10-63 shall also make any person, firm, corporation, limited liability company, or other type of private entity a party defendant to such action, if such person, firm, corporation, limited liability company, or other type of private entity has contracted or will contract with the authority ~~with respect to the project for which~~ to provide funds for the repayment of revenue bonds which are to be issued and are sought to be validated. The bonds, when validated, and the judgment of validation shall be final and conclusive with respect to the validity of such bonds and against the authority and against all other persons or entities, regardless of whether such persons or entities were parties to such validation proceedings."

**SECTION 10.**

Code Section 40-6-181 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to maximum speed limits, is amended by revising paragraph (1) of subsection (b) as follows:

"(1) Thirty miles per hour in any urban or residential district unless otherwise designated by appropriate signs;"

**SECTION 11.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | E Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 1.

HB 577, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

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I inadvertently voted no on HB 577. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote yes.

/s/ Tippins of the 37th

The President resumed the Chair.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that HB 588, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 588, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 588. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Burns of the 159th, Hatchett of the 150th, Smyre of the 135th, Ballinger of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 of the O.C.G.A., relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to amend Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to revenue and taxation, so as to

provide for an exemption to state sales and use tax; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the O.C.G.A., relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; to provide for related matters; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 588:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations for financing and letting of projects; to provide for definitions; to provide for procedures, conditions, approval, and limitations upon an alternative contracting method to be used for certain projects; to amend Code Section 40-2-151.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highway impact fees for heavy vehicles and use of funds, so as to provide for intended appropriation of highway impact fees, certification, and automatic repeal; to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for the intended appropriation of the proceeds of the state sales and use tax on sales of fuel to a contract or common carrier regulated by the United States Surface Transportation Board for use exclusively in the operation of locomotives by such carrier; to provide for a definition; to provide for certification and automatic repeal; to provide for an annual audit and report; to provide for intended appropriation of taxes imposed by innkeepers, certification, and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, is amended in Code Section 32-2-41.3, relating to the Georgia Freight Railroad Program, definition, eligible projects, reporting, and funding, by revising subsection (f) as follows:

"(f) Prior to the expenditure of state funds, the commissioner shall make a determination whether such expenditure is ample consideration for a substantial public benefit in compliance with Article III, Section VI, Paragraph ~~VI (a)~~ VI(a) of the Georgia Constitution. Such substantial public benefit must constitute a benefit accrued to the public in the form of enhanced public safety, enhanced mobility of goods,

congestion mitigation, enhanced trade and economic development, improved air quality or land use, reduction of public expenditures due to improved transportation efficiency or infrastructure preservation, or other public benefits identified and approved by a majority of the board. Such public benefit shall also align with goals in the state-wide strategic transportation plan as defined in Code Section 32-2-41.1 or the state's freight plan as defined in 49 U.S.C. 70202."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-2-69, relating to bidding process and award of contract, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Except as authorized by Code Sections 32-2-79, ~~and~~ 32-2-80, and 32-2-82, the department shall award contracts to the lowest reliable bidder, provided that the department shall have the right to reject any and all such bids whether such right is reserved in the public notice or not and, in such case, the department may readvertise, perform the work itself, or abandon the project."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by designating Code Sections 32-2-60 through 32-2-77 as new Part 1, designating Code Sections 32-2-78 through 32-2-82 as Part 2, and revising newly designated Part 2 to read as follows:

"Part 2

32-2-78.

As used in this ~~Code section and Code Sections 32-2-79 and 32-2-80~~ part, the term:

(1) 'Alternative contracting method' means a method of contracting authorized by Code Section 32-2-82.

(2) 'Construction manager/general contractor' means a person the department has selected to perform project delivery pursuant to Code Section 32-2-82.

~~(1)~~(3) 'Participating local governing authority' includes the governing authority of any county or municipality whose geographical jurisdiction includes the project.

~~(2)~~(4) 'Project' means ~~a project~~ an undertaking, including intermodal rail-related and multimodal transportation solutions, which the department deems appropriate for ~~letting pursuant to the procedures of Code Section 32-2-79 and Code Section 32-2-80~~ pursuing or letting based upon the authority granted in this part."

32-2-79.

~~(a) The~~ At a minimum, the staff of the department shall jointly identify and report to the board by July 31 of each odd-numbered year those ~~projects on the state-wide transportation improvement program or otherwise identified that afford the greatest gains in congestion mitigation or promotion of economic development~~ potential undertakings best suited for delivery under the procedures of Code Section 32-2-80 and that are expected to provide the greatest public benefit through enhanced public safety,

enhanced mobility of goods, congestion mitigation, enhanced trade and economic development, improved air quality or land use, or reduction of public expenditures due to improved transportation efficiency or infrastructure preservation as aligned with the state-wide strategic transportation plan as defined in Code Section 32-2-41.1.
~~(b) Any project identified pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section that will not be initiated within two years of the reporting date or that does not have specific available and complete funding may be let and constructed utilizing the procedures of this Code section and Code Section 32-2-80. All personnel of the department shall cooperate in all respects in the letting, construction, maintenance, and operation of such projects, including without limitation providing such access and control of portions of the state highway system as may be requested or required from time to time for such purposes.~~
~~(c) Projects wholly or partly in a metropolitan planning area shall be included in a fiscally constrained transportation improvement program.~~"

32-2-80.

(a)(1) The department shall evaluate a potential project to determine, in the judgment of the department, appropriate or desirable levels of state, local, and private participation in financing such project. In making such determination, the department shall be authorized and encouraged to seek the advice and input of the affected local governing authorities, applicable metropolitan planning organizations, and the private financial and construction sectors.

~~(1.1)~~(2) No constitutional officer or member of the ~~State Transportation Board~~ board shall serve as an agent, lobbyist, or board member for any entity directly or indirectly under contract with or negotiating a contract with the department under this Code section for one year after leaving his or her position as a constitutional officer or member of the ~~State Transportation Board~~ board.

(b)(1)~~(2)~~ For projects that are funded or financed in part or in whole by private sources, the department shall be authorized to issue a written request for proposal indicating in general terms the scope of the project, the proposed financial participations in the project, and the factors that will be used in evaluating the proposal and containing or incorporating by reference other applicable contractual terms and conditions, including any unique capabilities or qualifications that will be required of the contractor. Public notice of such request for proposal shall be made at least 90 days prior to the date set for receipt of proposals by posting the legal notice on a single website that shall be procured and maintained for such purposes by the Department of Administrative Services or in substantially the same manner utilized by the department to solicit requests for proposals.

~~(3)~~(2) For every project undertaken pursuant to this Code section ~~Upon receipt of a proposal or proposals responsive to the request for proposals~~, the department shall accept written public comment, solicited in the same manner as provided for ~~notice of proposals~~ in the request for proposal, for a period of 30 days beginning at least ten days after the ~~date set for receipt of proposals~~ public notice of the request for proposal

is made pursuant to paragraph (1) of this subsection. In addition, the department shall hold at least one public hearing ~~on such proposals~~, which may be held by teleconference, not later than the conclusion of the period for public comment.

~~(4)~~(3) The department shall ~~engage in individual discussions with~~ select two or more respondents deemed fully qualified, responsible, and suitable ~~on the basis of initial responses and with emphasis~~ to engage for interview and discussion based upon responses on professional competence and ability to meet the level of private financial participation called for by the department. ~~Repetitive informal~~ Multiple interviews shall be permissible. In the event that any local governing authority has agreed to consider financial participation in the project, a representative of such local governing authority, appointed by such local governing authority, may participate in such discussions and interviews. ~~At the discussion~~ During this stage, the department may discuss estimates of total project costs, including, but not limited to, life cycle costing and nonbinding estimates of price for services. Proprietary information from competing respondents shall not be disclosed to the public or to competitors.

(4) Upon conclusion of discussions described in paragraph (3) of this subsection, the department shall rank respondents on the basis of the evaluation criteria set forth in the request for proposal. The department ~~At the conclusion of such discussions, on the basis of evaluation factors published in the request for proposal and all information developed in the selection process, the department, with the input of any participating local governing authority,~~ shall select in the order of preference two or more respondents whose qualifications and proposed services are deemed most meritorious~~. Negotiations shall then be conducted with two or more respondents and with the participation of the designated representative of any participating local governing authority~~ and shall conduct negotiations with those respondents. Negotiations conducted under this paragraph can include, but are not limited to, one-on-one meetings or requests for proposals.

(5) Upon approval by the department, the commissioner shall select the respondent for project implementation based upon contract terms that are the most satisfactory and advantageous to the state and to the department based upon a thorough assessment of value and the ability of the final project's characteristics to meet state strategic goals and investment policies as provided for by Code Section 32-2-41.1. Before making such selection, the commissioner shall consult with any participating local governing authority or authorities.

(6) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the terms and conditions for multiple awards are included in the request for proposal, the department may award contracts to more than one respondent. Should the department determine in writing and in its sole discretion that only one respondent is fully qualified, or that one respondent is clearly more highly qualified and suitable than the others under consideration, a contract may be negotiated and awarded to that respondent after the respondent is determined to be responsible.

~~(5)~~(c) Nothing in this Code section shall require the department to continue negotiations or discussions arising out of any request for proposal.

~~(6)~~(d) The department shall be authorized to promulgate reasonable rules or regulations to assist in ~~its evaluation of the~~ proposal evaluations and to implement the purposes of this Code section. The department shall report the content of such rules or regulations to the Transportation Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives for their approval by majority vote prior to the promulgation thereof and shall make quarterly reports to the same chairpersons of all of its activities undertaken pursuant to the provisions of this Code section.

~~(b)~~(e) Any contracts entered into pursuant to this Code section may authorize funding to include tolls, fares, or other user fees and tax increments for use of the project that is the subject of the proposal. Such funding may be distributed by contract among the participants in the project as may be provided for by contract. The department may take any action to obtain federal, state, or local assistance for a qualifying project that serves the public purpose of this Code section and may enter into any contracts required to receive such assistance. The department may determine that it serves the public purpose of this Code section for all or any portion of the costs of a qualifying project to be paid, directly or indirectly, from the proceeds of a grant or loan made by the federal, state, or local government or any instrumentality thereof. The department may agree to make grants or loans to the operator from time to time from amounts received from the federal, state, or local government or any agency or instrumentality thereof.

~~(c)~~(f) The commissioner shall be authorized to delegate such duties and responsibilities under this Code section as he or she deems appropriate from time to time; provided, however, that the final approval of contracts provided for in this Code section shall be by action of the ~~State Transportation Board~~ board.

~~(d)~~(g) The power of eminent domain shall not be delegated to any private entity with respect to any project commenced or proposed pursuant to this Code section.

~~(e)~~(h) Any contract ~~for a public-private partnership~~ entered into pursuant to this Code section shall require the private partner or each of its prime contractors to provide performance and payment security. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the penal sum or amount of such security may be less than the price of the contract involved, such as the value of the construction elements of the contract, based upon the department's determination on a project-by-project basis of what sum may be required to adequately protect the department, the state, and the contracting and subcontracting parties.

32-2-81.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'design-build procedure' means a method of contracting under which the department contracts with another party for the party to both design and build the structures, facilities, systems, and other items specified in the contract.

(b) The department may use the design-build procedure for projects that include buildings, bridges and approaches, rail corridors, technology deployments, and limited or controlled access projects or projects that may be constructed within existing rights of way where the scope of work can be clearly defined or when a significant savings in

project delivery time can be attained.

(c) When the department determines that it is in the best interests of the public, the department may combine any or all of the environmental services, utility relocation services, right of way services, design services, and construction phases of a public road or other transportation purpose project into a single contract using a design-build procedure. Design-build contracts may be advertised and awarded notwithstanding the requirements of paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of Code Section 32-2-61~~. However,~~; provided, however, that construction activities shall not begin on any portion of such projects until title to the necessary rights of way and easements for the construction of that portion of the project has vested in the state or a local governmental entity and all railroad crossing and utility agreements have been executed.

(d) The department shall adopt by rule procedures for administering design-build contracts. Such procedures shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) Prequalification requirements;

(2) Public advertisement procedures;

(3) Request for qualification requirements;

(4) Request for proposal requirements;

(5) Criteria for evaluating technical information and project costs;

(6) Criteria for selection and award process, provided that the rules shall specify that the criteria for selection shall consist of the following minimum two components for any two-step procurement process:

(A) A statement of qualifications from which the department will determine a list of qualified firms for the project, provided that, if the department determines it is in the state's best interest, it may omit this requirement and move directly to a one-step procurement process through the issuance of a request for proposal from which the department may select the lowest qualified bidder; and

(B) From the list of qualified firms as provided in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, a technical proposal and a price proposal from each firm from which the department shall select the lowest qualified bidder or, in the event the department uses the best value procurement process, the request for proposal shall specify the requirements necessary for the selection of the best value proposer which shall include, at a minimum, a weighted cost component and a technical component. A proposal shall only be considered nonresponsive if it does not contain all the information and level of detail requested in the request for proposal. A proposal shall not be deemed to be nonresponsive solely on the basis of minor irregularities in the proposal that do not directly affect the ability to fairly evaluate the merits of the proposal. Notwithstanding the requirements of Code Section 36-91-21, under no circumstances shall the department use a 'best and final offer' standard in awarding a contract in order to induce one proposer to bid against an offer of another proposer. The department may provide for a stipulated fee to be awarded to the short list of qualified proposers who provide a responsive, successful proposal. In consideration for paying the stipulated fee, the department may use any ideas or information contained in the proposals in connection with the contract awarded for

the project, or in connection with a subsequent procurement, without obligation to pay any additional compensation to the unsuccessful proposers;

(7) Identification of those projects that the department believes are candidates for design-build contracting; and

(8) Criteria for resolution of contract issues. The department may adopt a method for resolving issues and disputes through negotiations at the project level by the program manager up to and including a dispute review board procedure with final review by the commissioner or his or her designee. Regardless of the status or disposition of the issue or dispute, the design-builder and the department shall continue to perform their contractual responsibilities. The department shall have the authority to suspend or provide for the suspension of Section 108 of the department's standard specifications pending final resolution of such contract issues and disputes. This paragraph shall not prevent an aggrieved party from seeking judicial review.

(e) In contracting for design-build projects, the department shall be limited to contracting for no more than 50 percent of the total amount of construction projects awarded in the previous fiscal year.

(f) Not later than 90 days after the end of the fiscal year, the department shall provide to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and chairpersons of the House and Senate Transportation Committees a summary containing all the projects awarded during the fiscal year using the design-build contracting method. Included in the report shall be an explanation for projects awarded to other than the ~~low-bid~~ low-bid proposal. This report shall be made available for public information.

32-2-82.

(a) The department shall be authorized to utilize an alternative contracting method for project delivery that includes one of the following:

(1) An agreement in which a construction manager/general contractor performs two phases of work as follows:

(A) The first phase, in which the construction manager/general contractor performs in the capacity of a construction manager, consisting of preconstruction services for a project which may be paid in lump sum, cost-plus fixed fee, cost per unit of work, specific rates of compensation, or other comparable payment method permitted by law; and

(B) The second phase, in which the construction manager/general contractor performs in the capacity of a general contractor, consisting of construction services for a project that may be performed under the same contract as that of the first phase, subject to agreement by the department as to the terms for payment for such services and using any method of payment permitted by law; provided that the construction manager/general contractor self-performs at least 30 percent of the total original price for construction work on the project;

(2) A predevelopment agreement, pursuant to which one or more contractors collaborate with the department on one or more projects:

(A) For the conceptual, preliminary, and final planning for such projects, which

may include predevelopment services, financial planning, environmental studies, engineering, and assistance with public outreach; and

(B) To perform, at the department's election, the construction work for any such project, subject to agreement as to the basis of payment for construction services; or

(3) A comprehensive development agreement that allows for expedited project delivery through the concurrent design and construction of a project under a single multiphase contract, pursuant to which a contractor shall:

(A) Collaborate with the department to advance development of the project concept;

(B) Perform both the design and construction services; and

(C) Perform any operations or maintenance work required for the project.

(b) The department shall consider at least the following factors in assessing a project's suitability and feasibility for delivery through an alternative contracting method: public interest, innovation, risk, design complexity, cost control, and construction schedule optimization.

(c) When the department determines, in accordance with subsection (b) of this Code section, that the public interest is best served by delivering the project utilizing an alternative contracting method, the department shall submit to the board a written request to proceed in delivering a project using an alternative contracting method. The department shall not proceed with the project using an alternative contracting method without prior approval by the board.

(d) Upon approval of a request pursuant to subsection (c) of this Code section, the department shall be authorized to issue a written solicitation identifying the scope of the project, the factors to be used to evaluate responses to the solicitation, and the basis for award of the contract to perform work on the project utilizing an alternative contracting method.

(e) For any project for which an alternative contracting method is elected, the department shall utilize the procurement procedures under either Code Section 32-2-80 or 32-2-81 to competitively solicit proposals.

(f) The department shall be authorized to utilize the alternative contracting method to deliver no more than two projects during any single fiscal year and no more than seven projects over a single ten-year period. Solely as it relates to a project delivered using an alternative contracting method under this Code section, the department shall not encumber in any one fiscal year an amount greater than 5 percent of the department's capital budget in the previous fiscal year.

(g) Not later than 90 days after the end of a fiscal year in which the department has executed a contract to deliver a project using an alternative contracting method, the department shall provide to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and chairpersons of the House and Senate Transportation Committees a summary containing all contracts that utilized an alternative contracting method. This report shall be made available to the public.

(h) The department shall adopt rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Code section.

(i) Not later than five years after the effective date of this Code section and then once every five years thereafter, the department shall submit a report to the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the members of the House and Senate Transportation Committees detailing all contracts executed to deliver a project using an alternative contracting method and the benefits of using an alternative contracting method compared with other contracting methods for review and consideration as to the effectiveness of this Code section and any necessary amendments."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-10-60, relating to definitions relative to the State Road and Tollway Authority, by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

"(5) 'Project' means ~~land public transportation systems~~ transportation related undertakings which provide a public benefit, including:

(A) One ~~one~~ or more roads or bridges or a system of roads, bridges, and tunnels or improvements thereto included on an approved state-wide transportation improvement program on the Developmental Highway System as set forth in Code Section 32-4-22, as now or hereafter amended, or a comprehensive transportation plan pursuant to Code Section 32-2-3 or which are toll access roads, bridges, or tunnels, with access limited or unlimited as determined by the authority, and such buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto, including but not limited to approaches, cross streets, roads, bridges, tunnels, and avenues of access for such system;

(B) Any ~~any~~ program for mass transportation or mass transportation facilities as approved by the authority and the department and such buildings, structures, parking areas, appurtenances, and facilities related thereto, including, but not limited to, approaches, cross streets, roads, bridges, tunnels, and avenues of access for such facilities; and

(C) Any ~~any~~ project undertaken pursuant to ~~a public-private initiative as authorized pursuant to Code Section 32-2-78~~ Part 2 of Article 4 of Chapter 2 of this title."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 32-10-63, relating to powers of authority generally, by revising paragraph (5) as follows:

"(5) To make such contracts, leases, or conveyances as the legitimate and necessary purposes of this article shall require, including but not limited to contracts for construction or maintenance of projects, provided that the authority shall consider the possible economic, social, and environmental effects of each project, and the authority shall assure that possible adverse economic, social, and environmental effects relating to any proposed project have been fully considered in developing such project and that the final decision on the project is made in the best overall public interest, taking into consideration the need for fast, safe, and efficient transportation, public services, and the cost of eliminating or minimizing adverse economic, social, and

environmental effects. Furthermore, in order to assure that adequate consideration is given to economic, social, and environmental effects of any ~~tollway~~ project under consideration, the authority shall:

(A) Follow the processes required for federal-aid highway projects, as determined by the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, except that final approval of the adequacy of such consideration shall rest with the Governor, as provided in subparagraph (C) of this paragraph, acting as the chief executive of the state, upon recommendation of the commissioner, acting as chief administrative officer of the Department of Transportation;

(B) In the location and design of any project, avoid the taking of or disruption of existing public parkland or public recreation areas unless there are no prudent or feasible project location alternates. The determination of prudency and feasibility shall be the responsibility of the authority as part of the consideration of the overall public interest;

(C) Not approve and proceed with acquisition of rights of way and construction of a project until: (i) there has been held, or there has been offered an opportunity to hold, a public hearing or public hearings on such project in compliance with requirements of the Federal-aid Highway Act of 1970, as amended, except that neither acquisition of right of way nor construction shall be required to cease on any federal-aid project which has received federal approval pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and is subsequently determined to be eligible for construction as an authority project utilizing, in whole or in part, a mix of federal funds and authority funds; and (ii) the adequacy of environmental considerations has been approved by the Governor, for which said approval of the environmental considerations may come in the form of the Governor's acceptance of a federally approved environmental document; and

(D) Let by public competitive bid upon plans and specifications approved by the chief engineer or his or her successors all contracts for the construction of projects, except as otherwise provided for projects authorized under any provisions of ~~Code Sections 32-2-78 through 32-2-81~~ Part 2 of Article 4 of Chapter 2 of this title;"

**SECTION 6.**

Code Section 40-2-151.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highway impact fees for heavy vehicles and use of funds, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(e) Notwithstanding subsection (d) of this Code section or any other law to the contrary, if at any time the amount collected under this Code section is ever not appropriated for two consecutive or nonconsecutive fiscal years to transportation purposes with up to 10 percent of such fees collected appropriated for transit projects, as determined by the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, then the amount collected shall be reduced by 50 percent. Upon the conclusion of a third fiscal year in which an amount is not so appropriated, this Code section shall stand repealed and reserved and such fees shall cease to be collected, on

the date the appropriations Act for such fiscal year becomes effective. Such budget offices shall certify any such lack of appropriation to the Code Revision Commission for purposes of updating the Code in accordance with this subsection."

**SECTION 7.**

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-8-78.

(a) For purposes of this Code section, the term 'freight and logistics projects' means any project for capital construction and maintenance on freight rail assets owned or leased by a common carrier regulated by the United States Surface Transportation Board and found to be an expenditure of ample consideration for a substantial public benefit pursuant to subsection (f) of Code Section 32-2-41.3.

(b) It is the intention of the General Assembly, subject to appropriations, that the funds collected under this article upon the retail purchase, retail sale, rental, storage, use, or consumption of fuel to a contract or common carrier regulated by the United States Surface Transportation Board for use exclusively in the operation of locomotives by such carrier shall be appropriated to the Department of Transportation for use exclusively on freight and logistics projects located on or connected to publicly owned roads. Such appropriation shall be allocated for freight and logistics projects based upon a formula developed by the commissioner of transportation which shall include consideration of total track miles operated within the state by a common carrier and any other factors as determined appropriate by the commissioner.

(c) If at any time the funds collected as described in subsection (b) of this Code section are ever not appropriated for two consecutive or nonconsecutive fiscal years to freight and logistics projects, as determined by the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, then the tax levied and imposed upon the retail purchase, retail sale, storage, use, or consumption of fuel to a contract or common carrier regulated by the United States Surface Transportation Board for the exclusive use in the operation of locomotives shall be reduced by 50 percent. Upon the conclusion of a third fiscal year in which an amount is not so appropriated, this Code section shall stand repealed and reserved and such sales and use tax shall cease to be collected, on the date the appropriations Act for such fiscal year becomes effective. Such budget offices shall certify any such lack of appropriation to the Code Revision Commission for purposes of updating the Code in accordance with this subsection.

(d) The Department of Transportation shall prepare, by February 1 of each year, an accounting of the funds received pursuant to this Code section and expended. The report shall be made available to the Senate Transportation Committee, the House Committee on Transportation, and to members of the public upon request."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-13-50.3, relating to additional tax imposed by innkeepers, forms for reporting, use of funds from additional taxes, and

provisions for termination, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(f) Notwithstanding subsection (e) of this Code section or any other law to the contrary, if at any time the amount collected under this Code section is ever not appropriated for two consecutive or nonconsecutive fiscal years to transportation purposes with up to 10 percent of such fees collected appropriated for transit projects, as determined by the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office, then the amount collected shall be reduced by 50 percent. Upon the conclusion of a third fiscal year in which an amount is not so appropriated, this Code section shall stand repealed and reserved and such fees shall cease to be collected, on the date the appropriations Act for such fiscal year becomes effective. Such budget offices shall certify any such lack of appropriation to the Code Revision Commission for purposes of updating the Code in accordance with this subsection."

**SECTION 9.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 588, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Watson of the 1st asked unanimous consent that HR 248, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HR 248, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HR 248. By Representative Stephens of the 164th:

A RESOLUTION designating the Savannah Logistics Technology Innovation Corridor as an official technology innovation corridor in Georgia; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Watson of the 1st.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | C Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| C Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HR 248, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that HB 517, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 517, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 517. By Representatives Carson of the 46th, Knight of the 130th, Blackmon of the 146th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student scholarship organizations, so as to provide for the inclusion of earned interest in the calculation of minimum revenue obligations for scholarships and tuition grants; to require that student scholarship organization audits are conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; to amend Code Section 48-7-29.16, relating to qualified education tax credits, so as to increase the limit available to individuals, heads of household, married couples filing joint returns, and individuals who are members of certain limited liability companies, shareholders of Subchapter "S" corporations, or partners in a partnership; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Payne of the 54th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 517:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 2A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student scholarship organizations, so as to provide for the inclusion of earned interest in the calculation of minimum revenue obligations for scholarships and tuition grants; to require that student scholarship organization audits are conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards; to provide for the expansion of the scope of such audits; to provide for a deadline by which such audits shall be reported to the Department of Revenue; to require that student scholarship organizations immediately notify the Department of Education if the Department of Revenue ceases preapproving contributions to student scholarship organizations; to require student scholarship organizations to

annually submit copies of Form 990s to the Department of Revenue; to provide that student scholarship organizations are solely responsible for verifying student eligibility; to provide for expansion of public reporting requirements; to amend Code Section 48-7-29.16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to qualified education tax credits, so as to provide for qualified education tax credits to be used by certain insurance companies against certain tax liability; to provide for conditions and limitations; to increase the limit available to individuals, heads of household, married couples filing joint returns, and individuals who are members of certain limited liability companies, shareholders of Subchapter "S" corporations, or partners in a partnership; provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Chapter 2A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student scholarship organizations, is amended by revising Code Section 20-2A-2, relating to requirements for student scholarship organizations, as follows:

"20-2A-2.

Each student scholarship organization:

(1) With respect to the first $1.5 million of its annual revenue received from donations for scholarships or tuition grants, ~~must~~ including interest earned on deposits and investments of scholarship funds or tuition grants, shall obligate at least 92 percent of such revenue for scholarships or tuition grants; with respect to its annual revenue received from donations for scholarships or tuition grants in excess of $1.5 million and up to and including $10 million, ~~must~~ including interest earned on deposits and investments of scholarship funds or tuition grants, shall obligate at least 94 percent of such revenue for scholarships ~~and~~ or tuition grants; with respect to its annual revenue received from donations for scholarships or tuition grants in excess of $10 million and up to and including $20 million, ~~must~~ including interest earned on deposits and investments of scholarship funds or tuition grants, shall obligate at least 95 percent of such revenue for scholarships ~~and~~ or tuition grants; and, with respect to its annual revenue received from donations for scholarships or tuition grants in excess of $20 million, ~~must~~ including interest earned on deposits and investments of scholarship funds or tuition grants, shall obligate at least 96 percent of such revenue for scholarships ~~and~~ or tuition grants. On or before the end of the calendar year following the calendar year in which a student scholarship organization receives revenues from donations and obligates them for the awarding of scholarships or tuition grants, the student scholarship organization shall designate the obligated revenues for specific student recipients. Once the student scholarship organization designates obligated revenues for specific student recipients, in the case of multiyear scholarships or tuition grants, the student

scholarship organization may distribute the entire obligated and designated revenues to a qualified school or program to be held in accordance with Department of Revenue rules for distribution to the specified recipients during the years in which the recipients are projected in writing by the private school to be enrolled at the qualified school or program. In making a multiyear distribution to a qualified school or program, the student scholarship organization shall require that if the designated student becomes ineligible or for any other reason the qualified school or program elects not to continue disbursement of the multiyear scholarship or tuition grant to the designated student for all the projected years, then the qualified school or program shall immediately return the remaining funds to the student scholarship organization. Once the student scholarship organization designates obligated revenues for specific student recipients, in the case of multiyear scholarships or tuition grants for which the student scholarship organization distributes the obligated and designated revenues to a qualified school or program annually rather than the entire amount, if the designated student becomes ineligible or for any other reason the student scholarship organization elects not to continue disbursement for all years, then the student scholarship organization shall designate any remaining previously obligated revenues for a new specific student recipient on or before the end of the following calendar year. The maximum scholarship amount given by the student scholarship organization in any given year shall not exceed the average state and local expenditures per student in fall enrollment in public elementary and secondary education for this state. The Department of Education shall determine and publish such amount annually, no later than January 1;

(1.1) In awarding scholarships or tuition grants, shall consider financial needs of students based on all sources, including the federal adjusted gross income from the federal income tax return most recently filed by the parents or guardians of such students, as adjusted for family size. If the parents or guardians of a student have not filed a federal income tax return in either of the two calendar years immediately preceding the year of application, the student scholarship organization shall consider the financial need of the student based on proof of employment income of the parents or guardians from the 30 consecutive days closest to when the applicant submitted the scholarship application and on any other sources of income, including, but not limited to, unemployment benefits, social security benefits, and child support benefits;

(2) Shall ~~Must~~ maintain separate accounts for scholarship funds and operating funds. Until obligated revenues are designated for specific student recipients, the student scholarship organization shall hold the obligated revenues in a bank or investment account owned by the student scholarship organization and over which it has complete control; provided, however, that interest earned on deposits and investments of scholarship funds and tuition grants shall be included in the calculation of the minimum obligations provided for in paragraph (1) of this Code section;

(3) Shall ~~Must~~ have an independent board of directors with at least three members;

(4) May transfer funds to another student scholarship organization;

(5) Within 120 days after the completion of the student scholarship organization's fiscal year, shall ~~Must~~ conduct an audit of its accounts by an independent certified public

accountant ~~within 120 days after the completion of the student scholarship organization's fiscal year~~ in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards verifying that ~~it~~ the student scholarship organization has complied with all requirements of this ~~Code section~~ chapter, including, but not limited to, scholarship fund management requirements, operational fund management requirements, other financial requirements, student eligibility requirements, school qualification requirements, and other scholarship management requirements. Within 60 days of completion of such audit, each ~~Each~~ student scholarship organization shall provide a copy of such audit to the Department of Revenue in accordance with Code Section 20-2A-3. Notwithstanding Code Sections 20-2A-7, 48-2-15, 48-7-60, and 48-7-61, if the copy of the audit submitted fails to verify that the student scholarship organization obligated its annual revenue received from donations for scholarships or tuition grants, including interest earned on deposits and investments of such funds, as required under paragraph (1) of this Code section; that obligated revenues were designated for specific student recipients within the time frame required by paragraph (1) of this Code section; and that all obligated and designated revenue distributed to a qualified school or program for the funding of multiyear scholarships or tuition grants complied with all applicable Department of Revenue rules, then the Department of Revenue shall post on its website the details of such failure to verify. Until any such noncompliant student scholarship organization submits an amended audit, which, to the satisfaction of the Department of Revenue, contains the verifications required under this Code section, the Department of Revenue shall not preapprove any contributions to the noncompliant student scholarship organization;

(5.1) In addition to the audit required by paragraph (5) of this Code section, in 2023, the state auditor shall issue an economic analysis report on the performance of this tax credit to the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee. An economic analysis shall include, but not be limited to, a good faith estimate, on both a direct and indirect basis, as to the:

(A) Net change in state revenue;

(B) Net change in state expenditures, which shall include, but not be limited to, costs of administering the tax credit;

(C) Net change in economic activity; and

(D) Net change in public benefit; ~~and~~

(6) Shall ~~Must~~ annually submit notice to the Department of Education in accordance with department guidelines of its participation as a student scholarship organization under this chapter~~.~~; provided, however, that the student scholarship organization shall immediately notify the Department of Education if the Department of Revenue has temporarily or permanently ceased preapproving contributions to the student scholarship organization in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (5) of this Code section;

(7) Shall annually submit to the Department of Revenue a copy of its most recent Form 990 filed with the United States Internal Revenue Service; and

(8) Shall be solely responsible for verifying the eligibility of students for participation

in the program provided for in this chapter."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Said chapter is amended further by revising Code Section 20-2A-3, relating to taxation reporting requirements for student scholarship organizations, as follows:

"20-2A-3.

(a) Each student scholarship organization ~~must~~ shall report annually to the Department of Revenue, on a date determined by the Department of Revenue, subject to the time limits provided for in paragraph (5) of Code Section 20-2A-2, and on a form provided by the Department of Revenue, the following information:

(1) The total number and dollar value of individual contributions and tax credits approved. Individual contributions shall include contributions made by those filing income tax returns as a single individual or head of household and those filing joint returns;

(2) The total number and dollar value of corporate contributions and tax credits approved;

(3) The total number and dollar value of scholarships awarded to eligible students;

(4) The total number of scholarship recipients whose family's adjusted gross income falls:

(A) Under 125 percent of the federal poverty level;

(B) Between 125 and 250 percent of the federal poverty level;

(C) Between 250 and 400 percent of the federal poverty level; and

(D) Above 400 percent of the federal poverty level;

(5) The average scholarship dollar amount by adjusted gross income category as provided in paragraph (4) of this subsection; and

(6) A list of donors, including the dollar value of each donation and the dollar value of each approved tax credit.

Such report shall also include a copy of the audit conducted pursuant to paragraph (5) of Code Section 20-2A-2. The Department of Revenue shall post on its website the information received from each student scholarship organization pursuant to paragraphs (1) through (5) of this subsection and the report of the student scholarship organization's most recent audit conducted pursuant to paragraph (5) of Code Section 20-2A-2 , except that no information of confidential taxpayer information contained in such audit report shall be posted or otherwise disclosed to the public by the Department of Revenue.

(b) Except for the allowable information included in the report of the audit conducted pursuant to paragraph (5) of Code Section 20-2A-2 and the information reported pursuant to paragraphs (1) through (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section, all information or reports provided by student scholarship organizations to the Department of Revenue shall be confidential taxpayer information, governed by Code Sections 48-2-15, 48-7-60, and 48-7-61, whether it relates to the donor or the student scholarship organization."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, is amended by revising Code Section 48-7-29.16, relating to a qualified education tax credit, as follows:

"48-7-29.16.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Business enterprise' means any insurance company or the headquarters of any insurance company required to pay the tax provided for in Code Section 33-8-4.

~~(1)~~(2) 'Eligible student' shall have the same meaning as in paragraph (1) of Code Section 20-2A-1.

~~(2)~~(3) 'Qualified education expense' means the expenditure of funds by the taxpayer or business enterprise during the tax year for which a credit under this Code section is claimed and allowed to a student scholarship organization operating pursuant to Chapter 2A of Title 20 which are used for tuition and fees for a qualified school or program.

~~(3)~~(4) 'Qualified school or program' shall have the same meaning as in paragraph (2) of Code Section 20-2A-1.

~~(4)~~(5) 'Student scholarship organization' shall have the same meaning as in paragraph (3) of Code Section 20-2A-1.

(b) An individual taxpayer shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for qualified education expenses as follows:

(1) In the case of a single individual or a head of household, the actual amount expended or ~~$1,000.00~~ $2,500.00 per tax year, whichever is less;

(2) In the case of a married couple filing a joint return, the actual amount expended or ~~$2,500.00~~ $5,000.00 per tax year, whichever is less; or

(3) Anything to the contrary contained in paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection notwithstanding, in the case of an individual who is a member of a limited liability company duly formed under state law, a shareholder of a Subchapter 'S' corporation, or a partner in a partnership, the amount expended or ~~$10,000.00~~ $25,000.00 per tax year, whichever is less; provided, however, that tax credits pursuant to this paragraph shall only be allowed for the portion of the income on which such tax was actually paid by such member of the limited liability company, shareholder of a Subchapter 'S' corporation, or partner in a partnership.

(c) A corporation or other entity shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by this chapter for qualified education expenses in an amount not to exceed the actual amount expended or 75 percent of the corporation's income tax liability, whichever is less.

(c.1) A business enterprise shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed by Code Section 33-8-4 in an amount equal to its qualified education expenses or 75 percent of the business enterprise's state insurance premium tax liability owed pursuant to Code Section 33-8-4, whichever is less; provided, however, that the amount of such credit shall not exceed $1 million.

(d)(1) The tax credit shall not be allowed if the taxpayer or business enterprise designates ~~the taxpayer's~~ its qualified education expense for the direct benefit of any particular individual, whether or not such individual is a dependent of the taxpayer or business enterprise.

(2) In soliciting contributions, a student scholarship organization shall not represent, or direct a qualified private school to represent, that, in exchange for contributing to the student scholarship organization, a taxpayer or business enterprise shall receive a scholarship for the direct benefit of any particular individual, whether or not such individual is a dependent of the taxpayer or business enterprise. The status as a student scholarship organization shall be revoked for any such organization which violates this paragraph.

(e) In no event shall the total amount of the tax credit allowed to any taxpayer or business enterprise under this Code section for a taxable year exceed ~~the~~ such taxpayer's income tax liability or such business enterprise's state insurance premium tax liability owed pursuant to Code Section 33-8-4, provided that any~~. Any~~ unused tax credit shall be allowed the taxpayer or business enterprise against ~~the~~ up to its succeeding five years' tax liability. No such credit shall be allowed the taxpayer or business enterprise against prior years' tax liability.

(f)(1) The aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this Code section shall not exceed:

(A) Fifty-eight million dollars for the ~~tax~~ year ending on December 31, 2018;

(B) One hundred million dollars for tax years beginning on January 1, 2019, and ending on December 31, 2028; and

(C) Fifty-eight million dollars for the tax year beginning on January 1, 2029, and for all subsequent ~~tax~~ years.

(1.1) In no event shall the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this Code section to all business enterprises for state insurance premium tax liability owed pursuant to Code Section 33-8-4 combined exceed 5 percent of the annual cap provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection for any year.

(2) The commissioner shall allow the tax credits on a first come, first served basis.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1) of this subsection, a student scholarship organization shall notify a potential donor of the requirements of this Code section. Before making a contribution to a student scholarship organization, the taxpayer or business enterprise shall electronically notify the department, in a manner specified by the department, of the total amount of contributions that the taxpayer or business enterprise intends to make to the student scholarship organization. The commissioner shall preapprove, deny, or prorate the requested amount within 30 days after receiving the request from the taxpayer or business enterprise and shall provide notice to the taxpayer or business enterprise and the student scholarship organization of such preapproval, denial, or proration which shall not require any signed release or notarized approval by the taxpayer or business enterprise. In order to receive a tax credit under this Code section, the taxpayer or business enterprise shall make the contribution to the student scholarship organization within 60 days after receiving notice from the

department that the requested amount was preapproved. If the taxpayer or business enterprise does not comply with this paragraph, the commissioner shall not include this preapproved contribution amount when calculating the limit prescribed in paragraph (1) of this subsection or the additional limitation specific to business enterprises prescribed in paragraph (1.1) of this subsection. The department shall establish a web based donation approval process to implement this subsection.

(4) Preapproval of contributions by the commissioner shall be based solely on the availability of tax credits subject to the aggregate total limit established under paragraph (1) of this subsection or the additional limitation specific to business enterprises prescribed in paragraph (1.1) of this subsection. The department shall maintain an ongoing, current list on its website of the amount of tax credits available under this Code section.

(5) Notwithstanding any laws to the contrary, the department shall not take any adverse action against donors to student scholarship organizations if the commissioner preapproved a donation for a tax credit prior to the date the student scholarship organization is removed from the Department of Education list pursuant to Code Section 20-2A-7, and all such donations shall remain as preapproved tax credits subject only to the donor's compliance with paragraph (3) of this subsection.

(6) In addition to the reporting requirements in Code Section 20-2A-3, each student scholarship organization shall file an annual report with the department showing any fees or assessments retained by the student scholarship organization during the calendar year.

(g)(1) In order for the taxpayer to claim the student scholarship organization tax credit under this Code section, a letter of confirmation of donation issued by the student scholarship organization to which the contribution was made shall be attached to the taxpayer's tax return or a business enterprise's tax return provided for in Code Section 33-8-6.

(2)(A) However, in the event the taxpayer files an electronic return permitted by this chapter, such confirmation shall only be required to be electronically attached to the return if the Internal Revenue Service allows such attachments when the data is transmitted to the department. In the event the taxpayer files an electronic return and such confirmation is not attached because the Internal Revenue Service does not, at the time of such electronic filing, allow electronic attachments to the Georgia return, such confirmation shall be maintained by the taxpayer and made available upon request by the commissioner.

(B) With respect to a business enterprise's tax return provided for in Code Section 33-8-6, the Commissioner of Insurance is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations regarding the manner in which such letters of confirmation of donations shall be filed in the case of tax returns filed electronically.

(3) The letter of confirmation of donation shall contain the taxpayer's or business enterprise's name, address, tax identification number, the amount of the contribution, the date of the contribution, and the amount of the credit.

(h)(1) No credit shall be allowed under this Code section with respect to any amount

deducted from taxable net income by the taxpayer or business enterprise as a charitable contribution to a bona fide charitable organization qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

(2) The amount of any scholarship received by an eligible student or eligible pre-kindergarten student shall be excluded from taxable net income for Georgia income tax purposes.

(i) The commissioner shall be authorized to promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer the tax provisions of this Code section."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021; provided, however, that Part II of this Act shall become effective on January 1, 2022, and shall be applicable to all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022.

**SECTION 3-2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | C Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Thompson |
| C Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 30, nays 18.

HB 517, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/21

I inadvertently voted yes on HB 517. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote no.

/s/ Lucas of the 26th

Senator Goodman of the 8th asked unanimous consent that Senator Payne of the 54th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Payne was excused.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that HB 454, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 454, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 454. By Representatives Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Cooper of the 43rd, Gaines of the 117th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-20C-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to online provider directories, so as to provide for certain coverage requirements concerning providers that become out-of-network during a plan year; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 454:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 33-20C-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to

online provider directories, so as to provide for certain coverage requirements concerning providers that become out-of-network during a plan year; to provide for exceptions and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 33-20C-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to online provider directories, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(g)(1) When an insurer's provider directory accessed through the insurer's website includes a provider as a participating provider for a network plan at such time as a prospective covered person selects his or her health benefit plan during the designated open enrollment time frame, and subsequent to open enrollment in the succeeding plan year, the provider is no longer in-network for the covered person's benefit plan, such insurer shall, subject to the coverage terms of the health benefit plan, reimburse the provider at its most recent contracted in-network rates for a period ending 180 days after the date upon which the provider contract terminates or ending on the last day of the covered person's coverage, whichever occurs sooner. The provider shall accept the insurer's payment in full. Any amount paid to the provider by the insurer pursuant to this subsection shall not be required to include any amount of coinsurance, copayment, or deductible owed by the covered person or already paid by such covered person.

(2) In the event of a public health emergency, including but not limited to a public health emergency as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, an insurer shall, for a period commencing on the effective date of the public health emergency and ending 150 days after the expiration of such public health emergency:

(A) Be prohibited from terminating a provider from the insurer's network; and

(B) Reimburse a provider at its most recent contracted in-network rates.

(3) This subsection shall not apply if the:

(A) Provider becomes out-of-network due to suspension, expiration, or revocation of such provider's license;

(B) Provider unilaterally terminates participation in the insurer's network plan without cause;

(C) Insurer terminates the provider for cause for fraud, misrepresentation, or other actions constituting a termination for cause under such provider's contract; or

(D) Insurer's provider directory accessed through the insurer's website accurately displayed the provider's network status, including any future date on which such provider would become out of network, 15 days prior to the beginning of the designated open enrollment time frame.

(4) The provisions of subsection (d) of Code Section 33-20C-3 shall not apply to the circumstances described in paragraph (1) of this subsection."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 454 (LC 33 8822S) by adding a new Section 2 below line 40 which reads:

Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the OCGA, relating to insurance generally, is amended by revising code section 33-24-59.27 as follows:
33-24-59.27.
This code section shall become effective January 1, 2022.

Senator Beach of the 21st offered the following amendment #2:

Amend HB 454 (LC 33 8822S) by inserting on line 35 After "This subsection" the following: "(g) (and with respect to (D) below, only subsection (g) (1))"

Additionally, on line 44 strike the following: "the provider's network status, including"

Additionally, beginning on line 45, after the words "to the Beginning of" insert the following: ", and all during,"

Senator Beach of the 21st offered the following amendment #3:

Amend HB 454 (LC 33 8822S) by inserting on line 28 after "This subsection" the following: "(g) (and with respect to (D) below (g)(1)"

Additionally, on line 36 strike the following: "the providers network status, Including"

Additionally, beginning on line 37 after the words 'to the Beginning of' insert the following:
", and all during,"

Senator Anavitarte offered the following amendment #4:

*Amend the Senate Committee on Rules substitute to HB 454 (LC 33 8822S) by inserting after* "applicability;" *on line 4 the following:*
to amend Code Section 33-24-59.27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the right to shop for insurance coverage, so as to revise the effective date;

*By inserting between lines 40 and 41 the following:*
**SECTION 1A.**
Code Section 33-24-59.27 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the right

to shop for insurance coverage, is amended by adding a new subsection to read follows:
"(i) This Code section shall become effective on January 1, 2022."

Senator Beach of the 21st offered the following amendment #5:

Amend HB 454 (LC 33 8822S) by inserting on line 28 after the 'This subsection" the following:
(g)(and with respect to (D) below, only subsection now (g)(1))"

additionally on line 36 strike the following: "the provider's network status, including"

beginning on line 37 after the words 'to the Beginning of' insert the following: ", and all during,"

Senator Anavitarte of the 31st asked unanimous consent that his amendment #1 be withdrawn. The consent was granted, and the amendment was withdrawn.

Senator Beach of the 21st asked unanimous consent that his amendments #2 and #3 be withdrawn. The consent was granted, and the amendments were withdrawn.

On the adoption of the amendment #4, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Jackson of the 41st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #4, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | N Rahman |
| Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| C Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #4, the yeas were 32, nays 13, and the amendment to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the amendment #5, there were no objections, and the Beach amendment #5 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | E Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HB 454, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dolezal of the 27th asked unanimous consent that Senator Brass of the 28th be

excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Brass was excused.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 215. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Burke of the 11th, Butler of the 55th, Hatchett of the 50th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to authorize certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents under certain circumstances; to provide criteria and requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 215:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to authorize certified medication aides to administer certain medications to nursing home residents under certain circumstances; to provide criteria and requirements; to provide that certified medication aides employed by a nursing home are not authorized to administer Schedule II narcotic controlled substances; to provide for employer based certified nurse aide training in assisted living communities, private home care providers, personal care homes, and other long-term care facilities; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, is amended by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"31-7-12.7.

(a) A nursing home may employ certified medication aides for the purpose of performing the technical aspects of the administration of certain medications in accordance with this Code section.

(b) A nursing home shall not employ an individual as a certified medication aide unless such individual is listed in the medication aide registry established and maintained by the

department pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (g) of Code Section 31-7-12.2, is in good standing with the department, and has met all of the qualifications in paragraph (3) of subsection (g) of Code Section 31-7-12.2.

(c) A nursing home shall annually conduct a comprehensive clinical skills competency review of each certified medication aide employed by such nursing home.

(d) A certified medication aide who meets the criteria established in this Code section shall be permitted to perform the following tasks in a nursing home in accordance with the written instructions of a physician:

(1) Administer physician ordered oral, ophthalmic, topical, otic, nasal, vaginal, and rectal medications;

(2) Administer insulin, epinephrine, and B12 pursuant to physician direction and protocol;

(3) Administer medications via a metered dose inhaler;

(4) Conduct finger stick blood glucose testing following established protocol;

(5) Administer a commercially prepared disposable enema as ordered by a physician; and

(6) Assist residents in the supervision of self-administration of medications.

(e) A certified medication aide shall record in the medication administration record all medications that such certified medication aide has personally administered to a resident of a nursing home and any refusal of a resident to take a medication. A certified medication aide shall observe a resident to whom a medication has been administered and shall report any changes in the condition of such resident to a charge nurse.

(f) All medications administered by a certified medication aide in accordance with this Code section shall be in unit or multidose packaging.

(g) A nursing home that employs one or more certified medication aides to administer medications in accordance with this Code section shall secure the services of a licensed pharmacist to perform the following duties as part of the nursing home's peer review, medical review, and quality assurance functions:

(1) Perform a quarterly review of the drug regimen of each resident of the nursing home and report any irregularities to the nursing home administrator;

(2) Remove for proper disposal any drugs that are expired, discontinued, in a deteriorated condition, or when the resident for whom such drugs were ordered is no longer a resident;

(3) Establish or review policies and procedures for safe and effective drug therapy, distribution, use, and control; and

(4) Monitor compliance with established policies and procedures for medication handling and storage.

(h) A nursing home that employs one or more certified medication aides to administer medications in accordance with this Code section shall ensure that each certified medication aide receives ongoing medication training as prescribed by the department. A registered professional nurse or pharmacist shall conduct quarterly unannounced medication administration observations and report any issues to the nursing home administrator.

(i) Nothing in this Code section shall authorize certified medication aides employed by a nursing home to administer any Schedule II controlled substance that is a narcotic.

31-7-12.8.
The department shall approve employer based programs sponsored by or offered in assisted living communities, private home care providers, personal care homes, or other long-term care facilities licensed by the department for certified nurse aide training and competency examination programs, in the same manner as such programs are approved in nursing homes, as determined by the department. The department shall require all employer based programs to meet the requirements set forth in 42 C.F.R. 483.152 and other applicable laws and regulations."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Walker III of the 20th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 215.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| E Brass | C Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | C Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 49, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 215.

The following resolution was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SR 84. By Senators Harper of the 7th, Kennedy of the 18th, Ginn of the 47th, Mullis of the 53rd, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SR 84:

A RESOLUTION

Creating the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the current and future economic health of Georgia relies on thriving airports and an efficient air travel industry; and

WHEREAS, Georgia needs a comprehensive, strategic business plan to develop state-wide infrastructure for airports in order for this state to remain economically competitive and to remain a leader in the movement of goods and persons; and

WHEREAS, a study is needed to determine the best course of action with regard to funding and policy development relating to airports to ensure that action taken over the next several years will result in the growth and support of this critical industry; and

WHEREAS, it is important that such study further emphasizes creating efficiency and coordination among Georgia's air service providers and aviation industry in an effort to offer solutions to improve mobility; and

WHEREAS, subject to availability of funds from the budget of the Senate and the House of Representatives, such study may include a contract for the provision of private consulting and any other services deemed necessary for purposes of addressing the areas identified in this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

(1) **Creation of joint study committee.** There is created the Joint Study Committee on Airport Infrastructure and Improvements.

(2) **Members and officers.** The committee shall consist of the following members:

(A) Four members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, including the chairperson of the Senate Transportation Committee;

(B) Four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, including the chairperson of the House Committee on Transportation;

(C) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate with expertise in operation of an airport and with one appointee being a resident of a designated tier 1 county and the other appointee being a resident of a designated tier 4 county;

(D) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives with expertise in operation of an airport and with one appointee being a resident of a designated tier 2 county and the other appointee being a resident of a designated tier 3 county;

(E) The commissioner of transportation or his or her designee, ex officio;

(F) The commissioner of economic development or his or her designee, ex officio;

(G) The president of the Georgia Airports Association or his or her designee, ex officio; and

(H) The president of the Georgia Chamber of Commerce or his or her designee, ex officio.

The chairpersons of the Senate Transportation Committee and the House Committee on Transportation shall serve as cochairpersons of the committee.

(3) **Powers and duties.** The committee shall undertake a study of the conditions, needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or legislation which the committee deems necessary or appropriate.

(4) **Meetings.** The cochairpersons shall call all meetings of the committee. The committee may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

(5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

(A) The legislative members of the committee shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(B) Members of the committee who are state officials, other than legislative members, or state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the committee, but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the committee in the same manner as they are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

(C) Members of the committee who are not legislators, state officials, or state employees shall receive a daily expense allowance in an amount the same as that specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state employees.

(D) The allowances and expenses authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the committee for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the Senate and the House of Representatives; except that funds for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to or otherwise available to their respective agencies.

(6) **Report.**

(A) In the event the committee adopts any specific findings or recommendations that include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file a report of the same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(B) In the event the committee adopts a report that does not include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file the report, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the committee. A report so approved shall be signed by the cochairpersons of the committee and filed with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

(D) In the absence of an approved report, the cochairpersons may file with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives copies of the minutes of the meetings of the committee in lieu thereof.

(7) **Abolishment.** The committee shall submit the report and proposal required by paragraph (6) not later than December 31, 2021, at which time such proposal shall be published and the committee shall stand abolished.

Senator Harper of the 7th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SR 84.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | C Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |

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| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 51, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SR 84.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 235. By Senators Watson of the 1st, Cowsert of the 46th, Harbison of the 15th, Kennedy of the 18th and Goodman of the 8th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to revise the offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; to clarify application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 235:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, so as to revise the offense of wearing a mask, hood, or device which conceals the identity of the wearer; to clarify application; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to offenses against public order, is amended by revising Code Section 16-11-38, relating to wearing mask, hood, or device which conceals identity of wearer, as follows:

"16-11-38.

(a) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor when he or she:

(1) Wears ~~wears~~ a mask, hood, or device by which any portion of ~~the~~ his or her face

is so hidden, concealed, or covered as to conceal ~~the~~ his or her identity ~~of the wearer and is~~;

(2) Is upon:

(A) Any ~~any~~ public way or public property ~~or upon~~; or

(B) The ~~the~~ private property of another without the written permission of the owner or occupier of ~~the~~ such private property to do so; and

(3) Intends to conceal his or her identity.

(b) ~~This Code section shall not apply to~~ Without limiting the generality of subsection (a) of this Code section, no person shall be guilty of violating this Code section by:

(1) ~~A person wearing~~ Wearing a traditional holiday costume on the occasion of the holiday;

(2) ~~A person lawfully engaged~~ Lawfully engaging in trade and employment or in a sporting activity where a mask is worn for the purpose of ensuring the physical safety of the wearer~~,~~ or because of the nature of the occupation, trade, ~~or~~ profession, or sporting activity;

(3) ~~A person using~~ Using a mask in a theatrical production including use in Mardi gras celebrations and masquerade balls; ~~or~~

(4) ~~A person wearing~~ Wearing a gas mask prescribed in emergency management drills and exercises or emergencies; or

(5) Wearing a mask for the purpose of complying with the guidance of any health care agency or health care provider to prevent the spread of COVID-19 or other coronaviruses or influenza or other infectious diseases."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Watson of the 1st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 235.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | C Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 48, nays 2; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 235.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 246. By Senators Brass of the 28th, Albers of the 56th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Payne of the 54th, Anavitarte of the 31st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, so as to provide for "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; to provide for exemptions applicable to learning pods; to provide for student attendance; to provide for administrative and judicial proceedings; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 246:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, so as to provide for "The Learning Pod Protection Act"; to provide for exemptions applicable to learning pods; to provide for student attendance; to provide for administrative and judicial proceedings; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative purpose; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 20-2-690 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational

entities and requirements for private schools and home study programs, is amended by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(f)(1)(A) This subsection shall be known as 'The Learning Pod Protection Act.'

(B) This subsection is necessary to ensure that parents in this state who choose to voluntarily associate to advance the primary education of their children shall not be subject to additional restrictions or regulations.

(2) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Learning pod' means a voluntary association of parents choosing to group their children in kindergarten through grade 12 together at various times, to include traditional before and after school hours, or places to participate in or enhance a remote learning option offered by their primary educational program. Payment for services by parents of children who participate in a learning pod does not alter this definition of a learning pod.

(B) 'Operation of a learning pod' means the parents of the children participating in the learning pod and any other individuals assisting those parents while engaged in any actions taken to organize, facilitate, or operate the learning pod and any facility, home, or other structure utilized by the learning pod.

(C) 'Parent' means the parent or guardian of any child under the age of 18.

(D) 'Primary education' means any learning mode or system recognized by the state for a student to participate in education in kindergarten through grade 12.

(3) Each learning pod shall remain subject to laws or other legal provisions relating to civil rights, insurance, conflicting interest transactions, the protection of the physical health and safety of its students, and the prevention of unlawful conduct, including unlawful conduct in or near a public school. Otherwise, each learning pod shall be exempt from statutes, rules, regulations, guidelines, or other regulatory provisions imposed by the state, local governments, or local school systems, including, but not limited to, the following:

(A) All provisions contained in this title related to elementary and secondary education including, but not limited to, provisions related to staff ratios, staff certifications, background checks, and minimum requirements for instructional space;

(B) All regulatory provisions related to the operation of a day-care or child care center or an at-home day care contained in Chapter 1A of this title, including, but not limited to, staff certifications, background checks, and instructional space minimum requirements; provided, however, that this subsection does not alter the regulation of any day-care center, child care center, or home day-care center related to any operations or other matters not directly related to the operation of a learning pod;

(C) Any state or local building or fire codes applicable to educational or child care facilities; and

(D) Any other state or local statute, rule, or code which would not be applicable to any group, building, or facility but for the operation or presence of a learning pod.

(4) No state, local, or local school system employee shall initiate or conduct any site inspection, site visit, or other investigation that would not have been initiated or made but for the operation or presence of a learning pod.

(5) No school district shall take any action or in any manner discriminate against or otherwise distinguish any student or parent based on their participation in a learning pod.

(6) No state agency, local government, or school district shall require that any learning pod be in any manner required to register or otherwise report its existence or anything related to the operation of a learning pod.

(7) Participation in a learning pod to facilitate a remote learning option offered by the student's primary education provider shall satisfy all mandatory attendance requirements provided for in Code Section 20-2-690.1.

(8) In any administrative or judicial hearing or other action regarding this subsection, the following burdens of proof may be deemed to apply by the presiding officer:

(A) Whether any state, local, or local school system law, regulation, guideline, or any other action complies with the requirements of this subsection shall be a judicial question and determined without regard to any assertion of compliance with this subsection; and

(B) Any state, local, or local school system adopting a law, regulation, or guideline or taking any other action providing for the operation of learning pods shall be required to establish by clear and convincing evidence that such law, regulation, guideline, or action:

(i) Does not unduly impede on the freedom of parents and guardians to provide care and supervision of their children;

(ii) Does not single out educational activities while similar gatherings of children for recreational or social activities remain unregulated; and

(iii) Is narrowly tailored to protect the public health and safety.

(9) The provisions of this subsection are severable. If any part of this act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, that declaration shall not necessarily affect any portions which remain."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Brass of the 28th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 246.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |

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| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 43, nays 8; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 246.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 260. By Senator Harper of the 7th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, so as to exclude certain soil amendments from regulation; to limit locally adopted buffers and setbacks; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 260:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, so as to exclude certain soil amendments from regulation; to limit locally adopted buffers and setbacks; to require site-specific nutrient management plans; to amend Code Section 43-51-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certification of operators of water or wastewater treatment plants and laboratory analysts, renewal, continuing education, and training period, so as to provide for a registration fee for board approved continuing education providers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 2-12-80 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to promulgation and adoption of rules and regulations and sharing of information, is amended by revising paragraph (1) as follows:

"(1) Promulgate and adopt:

(A) Such rules and regulations as may be necessary to enforce this article. Such regulations may relate to, but shall not be limited to, methods of inspection and examination, designation of ingredients, and identity of products; and

(B) Rules and regulations relative to soil amendments derived from industrial by-products which may include, but not be limited to, application rates, proper conditions for application, application record keeping and retention, ~~development and~~ use of site-specific nutrient management plans, and storage and containment in or on lands where soil amendments are applied, but shall exclude forest products, soil amendments derived from industrial by-products generated solely from forest products, excluding chemical by-products of pulp digestion, slates, clays, shells, gypsum, and lime; provided, however, that pursuant to Code Section 2-1-6, no local government shall be prohibited or impaired from adopting or enforcing any zoning ordinance, including the adoption of buffers and setbacks; provided, further, that no such buffer or setback shall exceed 100 feet in width; and

(C) Rules and regulations that require every owner and operator of a farm on which soil amendments are being applied to procure a site-specific nutrient management plan and make a copy of such plan available for inspection at the request of the department; and"

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 43-51-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certification of operators of water or wastewater treatment plants and laboratory analysts, renewal, continuing education, and training period, is amended by revising subsection (d) as follows:

"(d) Any certificate granted under this chapter shall be renewable biennially. Application for renewal of certificates shall be accompanied by a renewal fee in an amount established by the board. The board shall be authorized to require continuing education as a condition of certificate renewal and to assess a registration fee to board approved continuing education providers. The board shall be authorized to waive the continuing education requirement in cases of hardship, disability, or illness or under such other circumstances as the board deems appropriate."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Harper of the 7th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 260.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | Y Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 32, nays 19; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 260.

Senator Burns of the 23rd asked unanimous consent that Senator Anderson of the 24th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anderson was excused.

The following resolution was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SR 102. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A RESOLUTION creating the Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SR 102:

A RESOLUTION

Creating the Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, the current and future economic health of Georgia relies on a thriving and productive freight and logistics industry; and

WHEREAS, Georgia needs a comprehensive, strategic business plan to develop state-wide freight and logistics infrastructure in order for this state to remain economically competitive; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Commission on Freight and Logistics met throughout 2019 and 2020 and produced an excellent summary of Georgia's freight and logistics future; and

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has significantly accelerated the growth of e-commerce in our nation and in our state; and

WHEREAS, our state's future economic growth is significantly dependent upon our ability to react to this growth appropriately; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Commission on Freight and Logistics established that for future economic success, the state needs to invest an additional $1.5 billion annually in our freight and logistics infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, a professional study is needed to determine the best course of action with regard to funding and policy development relating to freight and logistics to ensure that action taken over the next several years will result in the growth and support of this important industry; and

WHEREAS, it is important that such study further emphasize safety for our state's commuters, access for employees and employers, and speed and efficiency of commerce; and

WHEREAS, such study may analyze the benefits of developing alternative freight routes as a means of improving regional transportation and transportation throughout this state generally; and

WHEREAS, subject to availability of funds appropriated to the budget of the Georgia Department of Transportation, such study may include a contract for the provision of private consulting and any other services deemed necessary for purposes of addressing the goals and objectives identified in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, any professionals retained to assist in analysis or consultation pursuant to this resolution shall be professionals in economics, freight, or logistics analysis, with global or national prominence in the following areas:

(1) Working with multiple freight and logistics providers;

(2) Delivering freight and logistics strategy for multi-jurisdictional or state-wide entities;

(3) Strong financial consulting practices that have applicability to multiple funding or financial approaches for freight and logistics;

(4) Approaches to promoting economic development;

(5) Knowledge and proven experience in strategic development; and

(6) Proficiency in engaging consumers for purposes of developing research, quantifying data trends, and analyzing the current marketplace.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GEORGIA GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

(1) **Creation of joint commission.** There is created the Georgia Commission on E-Commerce and Freight Infrastructure Funding.

(2) **Members and officers.** The commission shall consist of the following members:

(A) Four members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate, including the chairperson of the Senate Transportation Committee;

(B) Four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, including the chairperson of the House Committee on Transportation;

(C) Two members appointed by the President of the Senate who represent entities which provide freight and logistics services; possess expertise in the operations of a major airport hub; or lead a major commodity shipper, major air shipping provider, or major manufacturing operation based in this state;

(D) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives who represent entities which provide freight and logistics services; possess expertise in the operations of a major airport hub; or lead a major commodity shipper, major air shipping provider, or major manufacturing operation based in this state;

(E) The commissioner of transportation, ex officio; and

(F) The executive director of the Georgia Ports Authority, ex officio.

The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each select a member to serve as cochairpersons of the commission.

(3) **Powers and duties.** The commission shall undertake a study of the conditions, needs, issues, and problems mentioned above or related thereto and recommend any action or legislation which the commission deems necessary or appropriate.

(4) **Meetings.** The cochairpersons shall call all meetings of the commission. The commission may conduct such meetings at such places and at such times as it may deem necessary or convenient to enable it to exercise fully and effectively its powers, perform its duties, and accomplish the objectives and purposes of this resolution.

(5) **Allowances, expenses, and funding.**

(A) The legislative members of the commission shall receive the allowances provided for in Code Section 28-1-8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

(B) Members of the commission who are state officials, other than legislative members, or state employees shall receive no compensation for their services on the commission, but they may be reimbursed for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as members of the commission in the same manner as they are reimbursed for expenses in their capacities as state officials or employees.

(C) Members of the commission who are not legislators, state officials, or state employees shall receive a daily expense allowance in an amount the same as that specified in subsection (b) of Code Section 45-7-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, as well as the mileage or transportation allowance authorized for state employees.

(D) The allowances and expenses authorized by this resolution shall not be received by any member of the commission for more than five days unless additional days are authorized. Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution shall come from funds appropriated to the Senate and the House of Representatives; except that funds for the reimbursement of the expenses of state officials, other than legislative members, and state employees shall come from funds appropriated to or otherwise available to their respective agencies.

(6) **Report.**

(A) In the event the commission adopts any specific findings or recommendations that include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file a report of the same prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(B) In the event the commission adopts a report that does not include suggestions for proposed legislation, the cochairpersons shall file the report, subject to subparagraph (C) of this paragraph.

(C) No report shall be filed unless the same has been approved prior to the date of abolishment specified in this resolution by majority vote of a quorum of the commission. A report so approved shall be signed by the cochairpersons of the commission and filed with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

(D) In the absence of an approved report, the cochairpersons may file with the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives a copy of the minutes of the meetings of the commission in lieu thereof.

(7) **Abolishment.** The commission shall submit the report and proposal pursuant to paragraph (6) not later than December 31, 2021, at which time such proposal shall be published and the commission shall stand abolished.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SR 102.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 45, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SR 102.

The following resolution was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SR 39. By Senators Dixon of the 45th, Gooch of the 51st, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Thompson of the 14th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the Honorable Charlotte Nash and dedicating an intersection in her honor; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SR 39:

A RESOLUTION

Dedicating certain portions of the state highway system; repealing a certain resolution; repealing conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

**PART I**

WHEREAS, the Honorable Charlotte Nash has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal

commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, she diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced dramatically by her decades of public service; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Dacula High School in Gwinnett County, Mrs. Nash dedicated 27 years to Gwinnett County government prior to her retirement in 2004, serving in roles as grants manager, budget director, director of financial services, and county administrator; and

WHEREAS, upon her retirement, Mrs. Nash went to work for a consulting firm specializing in management and governmental and public strategy; and

WHEREAS, she was elected a chair of the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners in 2011 where her significant organizational and leadership talents, her remarkable patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of Gwinnett County earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nash's leadership and guidance have been instrumental to numerous organizations, including the Gwinnett Recreation Authority, Atlanta Regional Commission, Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District, Association County Commissioners of Georgia, and the ATL (Atlanta-Region Transit Link); and

WHEREAS, she has been recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including being named to the 100 Most Influential Atlantans list by *The Atlanta Business Chronicle* every year since 2011 and being included in the 100 Most Influential Georgians by *Georgia Trend* since 2013; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in her honor.

**PART II**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, a native son of Berrien County, Georgia, Mr. Homer C. Sumner was born on January 17, 1922, and served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sumner made the ultimate sacrifice for this nation during World War II

when he was killed in action at the Battle of the Bulge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sumner demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, his selfless service to this nation and unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States will long be remembered and appreciated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Sumner embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

**PART III**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Charlie D. Rodgers served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy and valiantly protected his fellow Americans during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodgers demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, his selfless service to this nation and unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States will long be remembered and appreciated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rodgers embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

**PART IV**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States military, valiantly and courageously defending democracy during World War I; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Evans demonstrated selfless service to this nation and an unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, he embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART V**

WHEREAS, Georgia is composed of miles of rural landscape, historic small towns, and abundant agricultural operations; and

WHEREAS, the promotion of agritourism represents a readily available and effective tool with which to spur economic development; and

WHEREAS, the portions of U.S. Highway 27 to be included in the Georgia Grown Trail 27 wind through seven counties with miles of family owned farms; unique lodging; u-pick farms, farm stands, and hands-on educational farm experiences; farm-to-table restaurants; and establishments dedicated to preserving and sharing local recipes, traditions, and time-honored progressive crop and farming techniques; and

WHEREAS, a group of concerned representatives from each county along U.S. Highway 27 came together with a mission to develop, preserve, and promote unique tourist destinations along the seven-county corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Grown Trail 27 Association board of directors has a vision to create a unique, memorable driving experience along with residents of Catoosa, Walker, Chattooga, Floyd, Polk, Haralson, and Carroll Counties, including members of the Fort Oglethorpe Tourism Association, Walker County Chamber of Commerce, Chattooga County Chamber of Commerce, Rome's Office of Tourism, the City of Cedartown, Haralson County Chamber of Commerce, Carrollton Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, and Villa Rica Convention and Visitors Bureau; and

WHEREAS, dedication of this route as a scenic highway will promote economic well-being through agritourism.

**PART VI**

WHEREAS, current and former members of the American Legion Post 109 in Hartwell, Georgia, have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to serving the community and improving the lives of others through service; and

WHEREAS, they have assembled and shipped care packages to soldiers overseas, provided scholarships for deserving students, and assisted with the needs of veterans in VA hospitals and nursing homes throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, Post 109 supports the Hart County High School J.R.O.T.C. program, purchases gifts at Christmas for local veterans, and supports the American Legion Oratorical contest; and

WHEREAS, committed to showing appreciation to this nation and veterans, Post 109 hosts an annual flag disposal ceremony, places flags on the graves of fallen soldiers on Memorial Day, and produces a Memorial Day celebration at the county courthouse; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

**PART VII**

WHEREAS, Judge Donald "Hoppy" Royston was born on June 11, 1942, in Madison County, Georgia, was raised in Franklin County, Georgia, and has spent his life serving and loving his community; and

WHEREAS, Judge Royston moved back to Madison County in 1963 after marrying his sweet wife, Patsy, whom he devotedly loved and cared for throughout their almost 55 year marriage, and was blessed with three daughters and two granddaughters; and

WHEREAS, he served as an Election Day poll worker for ten years, including when the county transitioned from paper "bed sheet" ballots to Shoup lever voting machines; and

WHEREAS, Judge Royston was elected Madison County Probate Judge in 1976 and served fairly and impartially not only in court but also in overseeing the conduct and certification of elections as Elections Superintendent for 32 years; and

WHEREAS, Judge Royston coached Madison County Recreation Department softball for many years; and

WHEREAS, he is a longtime supporter of Madison County High School sports and its student athletes and to this day still tells stories of traveling throughout the state to watch the 1980 Raiderettes basketball team go undefeated and win the AAA State Championship; and

WHEREAS, he is a hard-working and dedicated member and deacon of New Hope Baptist Church located at the corner of State Route 281 and Shirley Road; and

WHEREAS, Judge Royston is a member of The Gideons International and has

distributed copies of God's Word in order to plant seeds of faith; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

**PART VIII**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

**PART IX**

WHEREAS, Dr. Tom Boswell served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Air Force and valiantly protected his fellow Americans during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Boswell enlisted after the bombing of Pearl Harbor when he was in medical school, leaving behind his books and medical career aspirations to fly a B-29 in at least 30 bombing raid missions over Japan and Tinian which paved the way for the Enola Gay to carry the atomic bomb to Japan; and

WHEREAS, his service was recognized with a Distinguished Flying Cross and after the war he and his wife, Jean, moved to Atlanta so he could finish medical school at Crawford Long and later go on to become an obstetrician; and

WHEREAS, in 1952 the couple moved to Pickens County and fell in love with the Tate area where Dr. Boswell opened a clinic to serve his small community, working during the

clinic's early years without a day off and putting in 100 hour weeks while the couple and their six month old child lived in two back rooms of the clinic; and

WHEREAS, for years Jean accompanied Dr. Boswell on his house calls and worked in the clinic as a nurse, often working for the pay of a home cooked meal, eggs, chickens, or vegetables, for those who were unable to pay him money; and

WHEREAS, after 12 long years he finally took a family vacation and eventually he became staff at Pickens General Hospital from which he retired in 2000; and

WHEREAS, during his incredible 50 year career, Dr. Boswell delivered numerous current residents of Pickens, Dawson, and Cherokee counties and was known for his selfless and caring nature, never wanting a patient to worry about their ability to pay for his services; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished couple be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in their memory.

**PART X**

WHEREAS, General Larry Platt has long been recognized for his dedication to the principles of equality and justice and his active involvement in the political process; and

WHEREAS, at three years old, General Platt was shot in the face by the Ku Klux Klan on Asbury Street, leaving him visually impaired, and in 1966, he was run over while riding his bike; and

WHEREAS, a champion of justice, General Platt was a leader of the Civil Rights Movement alongside Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Reverend Hosea Williams, starting his activism at age 18; and

WHEREAS, he participated in the March on Washington in 1963 to protest for African American workers and in the historic Civil Rights march from Selma to Montgomery on the Edmund Pettus Bridge; and

WHEREAS, he worked with Julian Bond, James Baldwin, and James Farmer in fighting for civil rights and equality; and

WHEREAS, his nickname "General" was given to him by Reverend Hosea Williams for his heroic efforts on behalf of the Civil Rights Movement; and

WHEREAS, he won national attention for his socially conscious and thought-provoking song "Pants on the Ground"; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

**PART XI**

WHEREAS, Mayor Edna Jackson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that she has played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jackson was born on September 18, 1944, in Savannah, Georgia, the beloved daughter of Henry Reid and Georgia Branch Dillard; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Alfred E. Beach High School, Mayor Jackson earned bachelor's and master's degrees from Savannah State University and was active in the Youth Council of the NAACP, traveling throughout the South while in college to assist in voter registration drives and sit-in demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Jackson began her career as a social worker with the Economic Opportunity Authority for Savannah-Chatham County Area and, in 1971, was hired to serve as the director of the emergency school assistant program at Savannah State University, where she also served as the director of alumni affairs and coordinator of the Elderhostel Program before her retirement in 2001; and

WHEREAS, she began her political career as alderman at large on the City Council of Savannah, serving for three terms, and then served as mayor pro tempore of Savannah for two terms; and

WHEREAS, in 2012, Mayor Jackson became the first African American woman to be elected as mayor of Savannah, serving for one term; and

WHEREAS, she has been recognized with numerous awards and accolades, including the A Working Woman in Need's Top 10 Working Women of the Year Award, Outstanding Alumnus by Savannah State University, and one of the 2012 Power Women by *GeorgiaTrend* magazine; and

WHEREAS, her leadership has been instrumental to numerous organizations, including as the southern regional vice president and national vice president of Savannah State University and vice chairman of the Chatham County Democratic Executive Committee and World Trade Center Savannah, Chatham County Hospital Authority, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, St. Phillip A.M.E. Church, the U.S. Selective Board, and the Georgia Advisory Committee for the U.S. Global Leadership Coalition, the Military Academy Selection Committee and the Regional Committee of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, Savannah Regional Second Harvest Food Bank, and Equal Opportunity Authority; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in her honor.

**PART XII**

WHEREAS, Representative Bobby Lee Hill has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership in this state and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hill was born in Tignall, Georgia, and moved to Savannah in 1959, where he became a leader of the community and was known as a man who greatly enriched the lives of those who had the great fortune of knowing him; and

WHEREAS, he served as a member of the Georgia General Assembly for 14 years and was a candidate for mayor of Savannah and Lieutenant Governor; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hill's leadership and counsel were instrumental as an attorney for the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and founder and CEO of the National Legal Network, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, he served as president of the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials, Savannah State NAACP, debating society of Savannah State University, and Howard University Law Students; and

WHEREAS, Representative Hill was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Georgia Trial Lawyers Association, and the Savannah State University Alumni Association; and

WHEREAS, he was recognized with numerous awards and accolades, including Legislator of the Year by the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and Man of the Year by Savannah State University; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an interchange in his memory.

**PART XIII**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, MSG Mark Allen and SGT Mike Stokely served together as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty with the Georgia Army National Guard, 108th Cavalry 48th Brigade; and

WHEREAS, these Loganville, Georgia, residents were together on May 15, 2005, when their unit saw heavy enemy action in Iraq's Triangle of Death; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2005, at the age of 23, SGT Stokely made the ultimate sacrifice when he was killed in action near Yusufiyah south of Bagdad; and

WHEREAS, despite the tragic loss of his friend SGT Stokely and other members of his platoon, MSG Allen rejoined an infantry unit and was deployed to Afghanistan in 2009 when he sustained a serious head injury in a firefight with enemy forces; and

WHEREAS, after a ten-year battle with his injuries and numerous surgeries, MSG Allen passed away on October 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, MSG Allen and SGT Stokely demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, their selfless service to this nation and unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States will long be remembered and appreciated; and

WHEREAS, MSG Allen and SGT Stokely embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable and distinguished Georgians be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in their memory.

**PART XIV**

WHEREAS, Mr. Bradley Scott "Brad" Vines has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service to Haralson County as a District 4 county commissioner; and

WHEREAS, a 1986 graduate of Haralson County High School, Mr. Vines was known as a friend to the farmers of Haralson County, and he embodied the entrepreneurial spirit of America as a small business owner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Vines was a devoted husband to his wife Suzy, a loving father to his sons and daughters-in-law, and an adoring grandfather to his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mr. Vines was a faithful member of West

View Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

**PART XV**

WHEREAS, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) are institutions of higher education in the United States that were established before the Civil Rights Act of 1964, with the intention of primarily serving the African American community; and

WHEREAS, for more than 100 years, HBCUs have been educating minorities, giving them economic opportunities, and instilling great values; and

WHEREAS, Morehouse School of Medicine's past presidents include: Louis W. Sullivan, James A. Goodman, James Gavin III, David Satcher, John Maupin, and Valerie Montgomery Rice; and

WHEREAS, Spelman College's past presidents include: Sophia B. Packard, Harriet E. Giles, Lucy Hale Tapley, Florence M. Read, Albert E. Manley, Donald M. Stewart, Johnnetta B. Cole, Audrey F. Manley, and Beverly Daniel Tatum; and

WHEREAS, Morehouse College, founded by William Jefferson White, has been led by past presidents: Joseph T. Robert, Samuel T. Graves, George Sale, John Hope, Samuel H. Archer, Benjamin E. Mays, Hugh Gloster, Leroy Keith, Walter E. Massey, Robert Michael Franklin, John Silvanus Wilson, Jr., and David Thomas; and

WHEREAS, Morris Brown College, founded by Wesley John Gaines, has been led by past presidents: A. St. George Richardson; James M. Henderson; J.S. Flipper; E.W. Lee; W.A. Fountain, Sr.; John H. Lewis; William A. Fountain, Jr.; Edward C. Mitchell; Frank Cunningham; John A. Middleton; Robert Threatt; Calvert H. Smith; Samuel D. Jolley, Jr.; Delores E. Cross; Charles E. Taylor; Stanley J. Pritchett, Sr.; and Kevin E. James; and

WHEREAS, the presidents of Morehouse School of Religion include: Oswald Perry Bronson, Samuel Howard Archer, Charles Du Bois Hubert, Lucius M. Tobin, Melvin H. Watson, Levi M. Temil, Lucius M. Tobin, G. Murray Branch, W.R. McCall, Charles S. Hamilton, Bobby Joe Saucer, Edward Wheeler, Edward R. Davie, Hezekia Benton, William T. Perkins, Gerald M. Young, F. Keith Slaughter, and Joseph Evans; and

WHEREAS, Clark Atlanta University past presidents include: Thomas W. Cole, Jr., Walter D. Broadnax, Carlton E. Brown, Ronald A. Johnson, Lucille H. Maugè, and George T. French, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that these remarkable and distinguished

Georgians be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in their honor.

**PART XVI**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection at State Route 316 and Harbins Road in Gwinnett County is dedicated as the Charlotte Nash Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 125 from Hillcrest Drive to Lenox-Alapaha Road in Berrien County is dedicated as the Homer C. Sumner Memorial Highway, WWII-KIA in the Battle of the Bulge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 125 from the Tift County line to Hillcrest Drive in Berrien County is dedicated as the Charlie D. Rodgers Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 101 and Preacher Smith Road in Floyd County is dedicated as the Private Carl Clifton Evans Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of U.S. Highway 27 from the Georgia/Tennessee state line to the Carroll County/Heard County line is dedicated as the Georgia Grown Trail 27.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of US 29 and Golf Course Road/Industrial Park Road in Hart County is dedicated as the American Legion Post 109 Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 281 from US 29 to State Route 191 in Madison County is dedicated as the Judge Donald "Hoppy" Royston Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of US 29 from State Route 8/Royston Bypass to the Hartwell city limits in Hart County is dedicated as the Veterans Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 108 from the Pickens/Cherokee County line to State Route 515 in Pickens County is dedicated as the Dr. Tom and Jean Boswell Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 166 over Delowe Drive in Fulton County is dedicated as the General Larry Platt Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange at Interstate 516

and Veterans Parkway in Chatham County is dedicated as the Mayor Edna Jackson Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange of Interstate 16 and Interstate 516 in Chatham County is dedicated as the Representative Bobby L. Hill Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 81 from US 78 to the Newton County line is dedicated as the MSG Mark Allen and SGT Mike Stokely Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of US 78 from Pine Grove Road to the Georgia/Alabama state line in Haralson County is dedicated as the Commissioner Bradley Scott "Brad" Vines Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on Interstate 20 on Lee Street/Exit 55 in Fulton County is dedicated as the HBCU Presidents' HERO Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that Part XIX and the nineteenth undesignated paragraph of Part XXIII of Senate Resolution 844 (Ga. L. 2020, p. 832) are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of Transportation; to Commissioner Charlotte Nash, Judge Donald "Hoppy" Royston, General Larry Platt, and Mayor Edna Jackson; and to the families of Mr. Homer C. Sumner, Mr. Charlie D. Rodgers, Mr. Carl Evans, Dr. Tom and Jean Boswell, Representative Bobby L. Hill, MSG Mark Allen and SGT Mike Stokely, and Mr. Bradley Scott "Brad" Vines.

Senator Dixon of the 45th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SR 39.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Rahman |

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| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 45, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SR 39.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 144. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Gooch of the 51st, Cowsert of the 46th, Miller of the 49th, Summers of the 13th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, so as to limit the ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 144:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, so as to limit the ability of city housing authorities to operate outside municipal boundaries without authorization; to revise a definition; to restate that such operations must conform to local planning and zoning requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions for housing authorities, is amended in Code Section 8-3-3, relating to definitions, by revising paragraph (1) as follows:

"(1) 'Area of operation,' in the case of a housing authority of a city, means such city and ~~the area within ten miles of the territorial boundaries thereof but does not mean~~ any area which lies within the territorial boundaries of any other city ~~unless~~, provided that a resolution shall have been adopted by the governing body of such other city declaring that there is a need for the city housing authority to exercise its powers within the territorial boundaries of said other city. No city, county, regional, or consolidated authority shall operate in any area in which an authority already established is operating without the consent by resolution of the authority already operating therein."

**SECTION 2.**

Said part is further amended in Code Section 8-3-14, relating to consolidated housing authorities for two or more municipalities, by revising subsection (c) as follows:

"(c) The creation of a consolidated housing authority and the finding of need therefor shall be subject to the same provisions and limitations as are applicable to the creation of a regional housing authority; and all of the provisions of this article applicable to regional housing authorities and the commissioners thereof shall be applicable to consolidated housing authorities and the commissioners thereof; provided, however, that Code Section 8-3-107 shall not be applicable to the consolidation of housing authorities into a designated existing housing authority; and provided, further, that the area of operation of a consolidated housing authority shall include all of the territory within the boundaries of each municipality joining in the creation of such authority ~~together with the territory within ten miles of the boundaries of each such municipality~~; and provided, further, that for all such purposes, the term 'county' shall be construed as meaning 'municipality,' the term 'governing body' in Code Section 8-3-106 shall be construed as meaning 'mayor or other executive head of the municipality,' and the terms 'county housing authority' and 'regional housing authority' shall be construed as meaning 'housing authority of the city' and 'consolidated housing authority,' respectively."

**SECTION 3.**

Said part is further amended in Code Section 8-3-15, relating to extraterritorial operation of city housing authorities, by adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(f) Any city housing authority operating housing projects that are outside such city and within ten miles of the boundaries of such city on July 1, 2021, shall be entitled to continue to operate such extraterritorial housing projects; provided, however, that no new housing projects outside such city shall be authorized without the governing body of the county or municipality where such housing project will be located consenting to the expansion of the housing authority's area of operation into such county or other

municipality. Any such project shall conform to existing zoning classifications and land use plans of the political subdivision in which the proposed project will be located."

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Tippins of the 37th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 144.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Harper | N Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | N Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 33, nays 14; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 144.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 204. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th, Miller of the 49th, Butler of the 55th, Dugan of the 30th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical

College System of Georgia to allow students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain secondary school coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to elementary and secondary education; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 204:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, so as to provide for the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia to award high school diplomas; to provide for a pilot program by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia which allows students who are 16 years of age or older, who have completed certain coursework requirements, and who have withdrawn from such secondary school, to enroll in the Dual Achieve Program at a technical college of this state and achieve a high school diploma in conjunction with successful completion of the program; to provide for the purposes of the pilot program; to provide for requirements for student eligibility to participate in and complete the program; to provide for waivers and variances; to provide for definitions; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a repealer; to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for notice requirements for students under age 18 before withdrawing from a public secondary school in this state; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I.**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Chapter 4 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vocational, technical, and adult education, is amended in Code Section 20-4-11, relating to powers of the board, by revising paragraphs (1), (2), and (10) and inserting a new paragraph to read as follows:

"20-4-11.

The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia shall be empowered to:

(1) Provide for a comprehensive program of literacy, career, occupational, and

technical education for adults and out-of-school youths. Such program shall promote the economic well-being of Georgia citizens by providing high quality postsecondary technical and adult education and literacy programs, services, and activities which are easily accessible by all segments of the adult population who need and can benefit from training, retraining, or upgrade training for employment and which is highly responsive to individuals needing to achieve basic, general, and specialized literacy. Such program shall also provide an opportunity for individuals, including out-of-school youths, who have reached age 16 and who meet certain criteria provided for in this chapter, to attain a high school diploma in conjunction with the completion of one or more other components of the postsecondary technical program. Such program shall also provide a system of schools which is a full partner in the economic development and expansion of the state's economic base and represents a significant asset in the attraction of new business and industry to the state and the expansion of existing business and industry in the state;

(2) Establish and promulgate standards, rules, regulations, and policies for the orderly and efficient operation of the Technical College System of Georgia and of postsecondary technical schools, programs, and institutions, including those which it operates and those operated by local and area boards of education, and for the orderly and efficient provision of adult ~~literacy~~ education and literacy programs:

(A) Such standards, rules, regulations, and policies may include but not be limited to developing criteria for the recruitment, employment and retention of faculty and staff; recruitment of students and student admissions; program approval, salaries and salary supplements, tuition, and fees; eligibility of public and private providers of adult literacy education programs for state and federal funds, levels of funding for such providers and associated levels of required provider matching funds; long and short-term planning to include facilities, program standards, and outcome competencies; establishing provisions for appropriate recognition of program achievement below the baccalaureate level; soliciting resources from the private sector; industry and education partnerships; research and data collection; representing postsecondary technical and adult literacy education in all forums; and such other functions necessary to assure an effective and efficient state-wide system of postsecondary technical schools and adult literacy education with leadership at the state level; and

(B) For adult education and literacy programs, the state board shall establish:

(i) Comprehensive and detailed standards ~~One set of standards~~ for public and private adult education and literacy providers ~~and another set of standards for private adult education and literacy providers. The public standards shall be more comprehensive and detailed than the private standards~~; and

(ii) Standards and requirements for the attainment of a high school equivalency certificate which shall be comparable to the high school graduation requirements set by the State Board of Education for public school programs and which shall also be at least equal to the requirements established for a general educational development (GED) diploma. The ~~State Board of the Technical College System~~

~~of Georgia~~ state board shall also adopt and administer an instrument to measure the level of achievement required to obtain a high school equivalency certificate; and

(iii) Standards and requirements for the attainment of a high school diploma conferred by the state board which shall be comparable to the high school graduation requirements set by the State Board of Education for public school programs;"

"(10)(A) Approve a request by a postsecondary technical school or institution governed under this chapter to be named a technical college upon the approval and granting of occupational degree-granting status by the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and upon receiving accreditation by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Schools, the Council on Occupational Education, or any other appropriate accrediting agency approved by the United States Secretary of Education. The use of the name technical college shall not alter the governance of the technical school or institution as established under this chapter nor shall it abridge the authority of the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia under the Constitution of this state; and

(B) Award high school diplomas as provided for in this chapter; and"

**SECTION 1-2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 20-4-18, relating to management and control of adult literacy and postsecondary technical education programs and schools, as follows:

"20-4-18.

Subject to the provisions of Code Section 20-4-20, any other Code section of this article to the contrary notwithstanding, all decisions regarding the delivery of adult literacy and postsecondary technical education programs and services to business, industry, and individuals who are 16 years of age or older and who have completed or left the public schools, to include the awarding of high school equivalency certificates and diplomas, shall be made by the Technical College System of Georgia. Commensurate with this authority, the system shall exercise state level management and operational control over adult literacy education programs, postsecondary technical schools, and adult vocational centers."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 6

20-4-140.

(a) As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Dual Achievement Program' or 'program' means the program provided for in this article.

(2) 'Eligible student' means a student who meets the qualifications to participate in the program.
(3) 'State board' means the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia.
(4) 'Technical college system' means the Technical College System of Georgia.

20-4-141.
(a)(1) The state board shall, in coordination with the State Board of Education, Department of Education, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Corrections, and the Office of Planning and Budget, establish a pilot program to allow students who meet eligibility requirements to qualify for enrollment in the Dual Achievement Program at a participating unit of the technical college system and, upon successful completion of the program, be awarded a high school diploma. The purpose of the pilot program is to assess the feasibility of implementing a state-funded program for eligible students who have withdrawn from high school to enroll in a unit of the technical college system to participate in an academic and technical education and training program which, upon successful completion, allows the student to earn a high school diploma while also earning a technical college associate degree, a technical college diploma, or technical college certificates of credit in specific career pathways.
(2) To implement the pilot program, notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and the State Board of Education shall be authorized to waive or provide variances to state rules, regulations, policies, and procedures and to provisions of this title that may be reasonably necessary to meet the goals of the pilot program. Such waivers or variances shall automatically expire at the end of five years unless an earlier expiration is provided for. The State Board of the Technical College System of Georgia and the State Board of Education shall be authorized to seek waivers or variances of federal laws, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures that may be reasonably necessary to meet the goals of the pilot program.
(3) The pilot program, as determined by the state board, may include up to five units of the technical college system for a period of five years. In an effort to pilot the program under various conditions present in the state, the state board shall seek to include in the pilot program units of the technical college system from various geographic areas in the state.
(4) The state board shall review the results of the pilot program and shall no later than February 1 each year during the program provide the General Assembly with a comprehensive report on the program with any recommendations for its continued use and any needed changes in the program. Such report shall include a comprehensive list any such waivers or variances requested as provided for in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a statement of necessity for each request, and whether each request was granted in whole or in part.
(b) The pilot program established by the state board pursuant to this article shall provide for the award of a high school diploma to students who successfully complete

the program.

(c) The state board shall determine the specific competencies concerning the skills and knowledge needed for completion of each component of the program; provided, however, that the state board shall make such determination regarding the skills and knowledge needed to meet the requirements for a high school diploma as provided for in this program in consultation with the State Board of Education and the Department of Education.

(d) In order to minimize the risk of prospective students prematurely withdrawing from a secondary school in order to participate in the program, the state board shall provide for preliminary review of academic records, including, but not limited to official secondary school transcripts, submitted by prospective students to determine whether such students meet the requirements provided for in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (e) of this Code Section. If a prospective student meets such requirements, the student shall be so notified and allowed to complete a readiness assessment required by the technical college system. Students who meet the requirements provided for in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (e) of this Code Section and attain a score of admission acceptable on the readiness assessment shall be notified that they are eligible to participate in the program, subject to meeting the requirements provided for in paragraphs (4) and (5) of subsection (e) of this Code Section.

(e) To be eligible to participate in the program, a student shall:

(1) Be 16 years of age or older;

(2) Have completed at least six of the nine following state required ninth and tenth grade level high school courses: two English courses, two mathematics courses, two science courses, two social studies courses, and one health and physical education course; and any state required tests associated with any such courses;

(3) Receive a score of admission acceptable on the readiness assessment required by the technical college system;

(4) Provide the following:

(A) If an unemancipated minor:

(i) Verification that the student's parent or legal guardian attended a conference with the student's high school principal or the principal's designee as provided for in subsection (e) of Code Section 20-2-690.1;

(ii) A copy of the form provided for in subsection (e) of Code Section 20-2-690.1 signed by the student's parent or legal guardian;

(iii) Written acknowledgment by the student's parent or guardian that withdrawal of the student from secondary school may result in loss of eligibility for accommodations, specialized instruction, and other services pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq.; and

(iv) Written acknowledgment that the high school diploma available through the Dual Achievement Program requires successful completion of the program; or

(B) If an emancipated minor or a student who is 18, 19, or 20 years of age:

(i) Written acknowledgment that the student has conferred with his or her secondary school principal or the principal's designee or a qualified designated official of the technical college system and discussed alternatives to withdrawing from high school without completing graduation requirements and potential consequences of not having a high school diploma, including lower lifetime earnings, fewer jobs for which the student will be qualified, and the inability to avail oneself of higher educational opportunities.

(ii) Written acknowledgment by the student's parent or guardian that withdrawal of the student from secondary school may result in loss of eligibility for accommodations, specialized instruction, and other services pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq.; and

(iii) Written acknowledgment that the high school diploma available through the Dual Achievement Program requires successful completion of the program; and

(5) Be withdrawn from a public secondary school of this state.

(f) The state board shall award a high school diploma to a student enrolled in the program provided for in this article who:

(1) Completes all student counseling and assessment requirements of the program;

(2) Completes rigorous coursework at a participating unit of the technical college system; and

(3) Completes:

(A) A technical college associate degree program;

(B) A technical college diploma program; or

(C) At least two technical college certificate of credit programs in one specific career pathway.

(g) A student who meets the requirements of subsections (f) of this Code section shall be deemed to have met all graduation requirements of the State Board of Education and shall not be subject to any assessments otherwise required for purposes of graduation.

(h) The state board, in consultation with the State Board of Education, Department of Education, the Department of Juvenile Justice, the Department of Corrections, and the Office of Planning and Budget, shall establish rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this article.

20-4-142.

This article shall stand repealed on July 1, 2026."

**PART II.**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, is amended in Code Section 20-2-690.1, relating to mandatory education for children between ages six and sixteen, by revising subsection (e) as

follows:

"(e) An unemancipated minor who is older than the age of mandatory attendance as required in subsection (a) of this Code section who has not completed all requirements for a high school diploma who wishes to withdraw from school shall have the written permission of his or her parent or legal guardian prior to withdrawing. Prior to accepting such permission, the school principal or designee shall convene a conference with the child and parent or legal guardian within two school days of receiving notice of the intent of the child to withdraw from school. The principal or designee shall make a reasonable attempt to share with the student and parent or guardian the educational options available, including the opportunity to pursue a general educational development (GED) diploma and the consequences of not having earned a high school diploma, including lower lifetime earnings, fewer jobs for which the student will be qualified, and the inability to avail oneself of higher educational opportunities. Every local board of education shall adopt a policy on the process of voluntary withdrawal of unemancipated minors who are older than the mandatory attendance age. The policy shall be filed with the Department of Education no later than January 1, 2007. The Department of Education shall provide annually to all local school superintendents model forms for the parent or guardian signature requirement contained in this subsection and updated information from reliable sources relating to the consequences of withdrawing from school without completing all requirements for a high school diploma. Such form shall include information relating to the opportunity to pursue a general educational development (GED) diploma and the consequences of not having earned a high school diploma, including lower lifetime earnings, fewer jobs for which the student will be qualified, and the inability to avail oneself of higher educational opportunities. Such form shall also include information regarding potential loss of eligibility for accommodations, specialized instruction, and other services pursuant to the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C.A. Section 1400, et seq., and Section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C.A. Section 701, et seq. Each local school superintendent shall provide such forms and information to all of its principals of schools serving grades six through twelve for the principals to use during the required conference with the child and parent or legal guardian."

**PART III.**
**SECTION 3-1.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that Senator Robertson of the 29th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Robertson was excused.

Senator Tippins of the 37th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 204.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 48, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 204.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 78. By Senators Jones II of the 22nd, Anderson of the 43rd, Harrell of the 40th, Parent of the 42nd, Butler of the 55th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 78:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, so as to revise the prohibition on electronically transmitting or posting nude or sexually explicit photographs or videos for purposes of harassing the depicted person; to provide for an increased penalty for the electronic transmission or posting to a web page that is accessible to the general public; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to invasion of privacy, is amended by revising subsections (b) and (c) of Code Section 16-11-90, relating to prohibition on nude or sexually explicit electronic transmissions, as follows:

"(b) A person violates this Code section if he or she, knowing the content of a transmission or post, knowingly and without the consent of the depicted person:

(1) Electronically transmits or posts, in one or more transmissions or posts, a photograph or video which depicts nudity or sexually explicit conduct of an adult, including a falsely created videographic or still image, when the transmission or post is harassment or causes financial loss to the depicted person, ~~and~~ serves no legitimate purpose to the depicted person, and is transmitted or posted:

(A) To a website, peer-to-peer file-sharing site, thumbnail gallery, movie gallery post, linked list, live webcam, web page, or message board, that advertises or promotes its service as showing, previewing, or distributing sexually explicit conduct; or

(B) Via any other electronic means that does not fall within subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; or

(2) Causes the electronic transmission or posting, in one or more transmissions or posts, of a photograph or video which depicts nudity or sexually explicit conduct of an adult, including a falsely created videographic or still image, when the transmission or post is harassment or causes financial loss to the depicted person, ~~and~~ serves no legitimate purpose to the depicted person, and is transmitted or posted:

(A) To a website, peer-to-peer file-sharing site, thumbnail gallery, movie gallery post, linked list, live webcam, web page, or message board, that advertises or promotes its service as showing, previewing, or distributing sexually explicit conduct; or

(B) Via any other electronic means that does not fall within subparagraph (A) of this paragraph.

Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to impose liability on an interactive computer service, as such term is defined in 47 U.S.C. 230(f)(2), or an information

service or telecommunications service, as such terms are defined in 47 U.S.C. 153, for content provided by another person.

(c)(1) Any person who violates subparagraph (b)(1)(B) or (b)(2)(B) of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature; provided, however, that upon a second or subsequent violation of this Code section, he or she shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than one nor more than five years, a fine of not more than $100,000.00, or both.

(2) Any person who violates subparagraph (b)(1)(A) or (b)(2)(A) of this Code section shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than one nor more than five years, a fine of not more than $100,000.00, or both. Upon the second and all subsequent convictions for violations of subparagraph (b)(1)(A) or (b)(2)(A) of this Code section, such person shall be guilty of a felony and shall be punished by imprisonment of not less than two nor more than five years, a fine of not more than $100,000.00, or both."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 78.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| E Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | E Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| E Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 47, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 78.

Senator Payne of the 54th asked unanimous consent that Senator Anavitarte of the 31st be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Anavitarte was excused.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th asked unanimous consent that HB 617, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 617, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 617. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Rhodes of the 120th, Fleming of the 121st, Smyre of the 135th and Singleton of the 71st:
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education, so as to provide that student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs at postsecondary educational institutions may receive compensation for the use of the student athlete's name, image, or likeness; to provide for application to intercollegiate athletic associations; to allow for professional representation of such student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics; to provide for findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Cowsert of the 46th.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th offers the following amendment #1:

*Amend HB 617 (LC 49 0503S) by inserting after* "intercollegiate athletics;" *on line 6* "to allow team contracts to provide for pooling arrangements subject to certain conditions; to provide for reports by the board of regents;".

*By inserting after* "definitions;" *on line 7* "to provide for multiple effective dates;".

*By inserting after* "(4)" *on line 60* "(A)".

*By inserting after* "intercollegiate athletic program" *on line 64* "; provided, however, that such contract may provide for a pooling arrangement as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph".

*By inserting between lines 64 and 65 the following:*

(B) Team contracts may provide for a pooling arrangement whereby student athletes who receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness pursuant to

this article agree to contribute a portion of the compensation they receive pursuant to such contract to a fund for the benefit of individuals previously enrolled as student athletes in the same postsecondary educational institution as such student athlete, provided that such pooling arrangement meets the following conditions:

(i) Student athletes shall not be required to contribute an amount equal to more than 50 percent of the compensation received for the use of their name, image, or likeness pursuant to this article;

(ii) Each postsecondary educational institution shall establish only for the purposes of this paragraph an escrow account in any bank or lending institution subject to regulation by this state only;

(iii) All contributions from student athletes who receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness pursuant to this article shall be deposited in such escrow account by the athletic director of the postsecondary educational institution, or his or her designee;

(iv) Upon graduation or withdrawal for at least 12 months from the postsecondary educational institution, individuals who were student athletes prior to such graduation or withdrawal, shall be eligible to receive a pro rata share of the pooled contributions based on the number of months the individual was a student athlete; and

(v) The postsecondary educational institution shall provide for the implementation of the provisions of this paragraph in a manner that does not discriminate against or treat differently individuals based upon race, gender, or other personal status protected by federal or state law.

*By deleting the quotation mark on line 98 and inserting after line 98 the following:*

20-3-683.

(a) Not later than December 1, 2021, the board of regents shall provide a written summary to the chairpersons of the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Appropriations Committee, the House Committee on Higher Education, and the Senate Higher Education Committee of both of the following:

(1) Progress made by the National Collegiate Athletic Association toward the development of a national policy, including, but not limited to, updates to relevant bylaws and rules, on student athlete name, image, and likeness compensation, as directed by such association's board of governors on October 29, 2019; and

(2) Progress made by the United States Congress on legislation on student athlete name, image, and likeness compensation, including, but not limited to, the Congressional Advisory Commission on Intercollegiate Athletics Act of 2019, as proposed by H.R. 5528 of the 116th Congress.

(b) By February 1, 2022, the board of regents shall provide to the chairpersons of the House Committee on Higher Education and the Senate Higher Education Committee a written summary of the preparedness of each institution of the University System of Georgia toward implementation of this Act."

*By inserting after line 99 the following:*

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this Act shall become effective upon passage of a joint resolution that is signed by the Governor ratifying this Act by both houses of the Georgia General Assembly upon the occurrence of the following events:

(1) The Attorney General provides a written opinion to the chairpersons of the House Committee on Higher Education and the Senate Higher Education Committee that the provisions of this Act are not prohibited, in whole or in part, by an act of the United States Congress or other federal law, rule, or regulation relating to student athlete name, image, or likeness compensation; and

(2) The board of regents provides written notice to the chairpersons of the House Committee on Higher Education and the Senate Higher Education Committee that the provisions of this Act are not prohibited, in whole or in part, by any policy, rule, or regulation of the National Collegiate Athletic Association or any other intercollegiate athletic association relating to student athlete name, image, or likeness compensation.

(b) The provisions of this Act relating to reporting requirements by the board of regents shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 3.**

Senator Cowsert of the 46th offered the following amendment #2:

*Amend HB 617 (LC 49 0503S) by inserting after* "intercollegiate athletics;" *on line 6* "to allow team contracts to provide for pooling arrangements subject to certain conditions;".

*By inserting after* "definitions;" *on line 7* "to provide for contingent effectiveness;".

*By inserting after* "(4)" *on line 60* "(A)".

*By inserting after* "intercollegiate athletic program" *on line 64* "; provided, however, that such contract may provide for a pooling arrangement as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph".

*By inserting between lines 64 and 65 the following:*

(B) Team contracts may provide for a pooling arrangement whereby student athletes who receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness pursuant to this article agree to contribute a portion of the compensation they receive pursuant to such contract to a fund for the benefit of individuals previously enrolled as student athletes in the same postsecondary educational institution as such student athlete, provided that such pooling arrangement meets the following conditions:

(i) Student athletes shall not be required to contribute an amount equal to more than 75 percent of the compensation received for the use of their name, image, or likeness pursuant to this article;

(ii) Each postsecondary educational institution shall establish only for the purposes

of this paragraph an escrow account in any bank or lending institution subject to regulation by this state only;

(iii) All contributions from student athletes who receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness pursuant to this article shall be deposited in such escrow account by the athletic director of the postsecondary educational institution, or his or her designee;

(iv) Upon graduation or withdrawal for at least 12 months from the postsecondary educational institution, individuals who were student athletes prior to such graduation or withdrawal, shall be eligible to receive a pro rata share of the pooled contributions based on the number of months the individual was a student athlete; and

(v) The postsecondary educational institution shall provide for the implementation of the provisions of this paragraph in a manner that does not discriminate against or treat differently individuals based upon race, gender, or other personal status protected by federal or state law.

*By deleting the quotation mark on line 98 and inserting after line 98 the following:*

20-3-683.

This article shall become effective upon the occurrence of the following events:

(1) Any federal law is enacted after March 31, 2021, regulating the rights of student athletes to receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness; and

(2) Any policy, rule, or regulation is adopted after March 31, 2021, which allows student athletes to receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness."

Senator Cowsert of the 46th asked unanimous consent that his amendment #1 be withdrawn. The consent was granted, and the amendment was withdrawn.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Watson of the 1st objected.

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |

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| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2, the yeas were 46, nays 6, and the amendment was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 2.

HB 617, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 195:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to provide that low THC oil, marijuana, and tetrahydrocannabinols do not include certain federally approved products; to update and revise provisions; to revise definitions; to provide for review of new treatment and delivery methods; to repeal a provision relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications; to revise provisions relating to dispensing; to provide for the issuance of dispensing licenses to production licensees; to provide for recommendations and input from the oversight committee; to authorize the commission to require a comparable surety in lieu of a bond; to provide for coordination with the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to provide a method for the issuance of subsequent production licenses; to provide for permits to colleges and universities within this state to conduct medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 production licensee; to remove epidiolex as a Schedule V controlled substance; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for application; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-12-190, relating to the definition of low THC oil, as follows:

"16-12-190.

As used in this article, the term 'low THC oil' means an oil that contains an amount of cannabidiol and not more than 5 percent by weight of tetrahydrocannabinol, tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, or a combination of tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid which does not contain plant material exhibiting the external

morphological features of the plant of the genus Cannabis. Such term shall not mean products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-200, relating to definitions, as follows:

"16-12-200.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Applicant' means a corporate entity applying for a license pursuant to this article.

(2) 'Available capital' means corporate assets that are available to fund business operations in the event a license is awarded pursuant to Part 2 of this article.

(3) 'Class 1 production license' means a license to produce and manufacture low THC oil and products issued pursuant to Code Section 16-12-211.

(4) 'Class 2 production license' means a license to produce and manufacture low THC oil and products issued pursuant to Code Section 16-12-212.

(5) 'Commission' means the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission created pursuant to Code Section 16-12-202.

(6) 'Designated universities' means the University of Georgia and Fort Valley State University.

(7) 'Designated university license' means a license issued by the commission pursuant to this article to a designated university to, separately or jointly, produce, manufacture, and purchase low THC oil and products in accordance with this article.

(8) 'Dispense' means the sale or provision of low THC oil and products to registered patients by a dispensing licensee.

(9) 'Dispensing license' means a specialty license issued by the State Board of Pharmacy or the commission pursuant to Code Section 16-12-206 to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients.

(10) 'Grow' means cultivating and harvesting cannabis for use in producing low THC oil and products.

(11) 'Licensee' means any business, or owner of such business, with a valid license issued pursuant to this article.

(12) 'Low THC oil' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 16-12-190.

(13) 'Manufacture' means to process cannabis to produce low THC oil and products.

(14) 'Owner' means any person who directly or indirectly owns, actually or beneficially, or controls 5 percent or greater of interests of the applicant or any licensee. In the event that one person owns a beneficial right to interests and another person holds the voting rights with respect to such interests, then both shall be considered an owner of such interests.

(15) 'Product' means low THC oil delivered through an oil, tincture, transdermal patch, lotion, or capsule, except as prohibited by Code Section 16-12-234, but not including any food products infused with low THC oil, including, but not limited to, cookies,

candies, or edibles.

(16) 'Registered patient' means an individual who is legally authorized to possess and use low THC oil and products pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18.

(17) 'Tracking system' means a seed-to-sale tracking system to track marijuana that is grown, processed, manufactured, transferred, stored, or disposed of and low THC oil and products that ~~is~~ are transferred, stored, sold, dispensed, or disposed of pursuant to this article."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-203, relating to powers, duties, and responsibilities of the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission, as follows:

"16-12-203.

The commission shall have the following powers, duties, and responsibilities:

(1) To apply for, receive, and administer state funds appropriated to the commission, private grants and donations, and other funds and donations. The commission's annual distributions shall be capped and limited to funds received from the sources specified in this paragraph. The commission shall ensure that its funds are not used as a supplement or secondary payor to any other third-party payor;

(2) To execute a contract or contracts to purchase or obtain low THC oil, cannabis, cannabinoids, or any other derivative, compound, or substantially similar products from any available legal source and to provide logistics related thereto in accordance with this article. Such contract or contracts may be executed with one or more qualified corporations or with one or more governmental entities. Purchases made pursuant to this paragraph shall not be subject to state purchasing laws contained in Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 or in other provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated;

(3) To utilize funds appropriated to the commission as may be necessary to purchase and transport low THC oil and products to the State of Georgia for use by registered patients;

(4) To develop, establish, maintain, and administer a low THC oil and products distribution network to obtain and distribute low THC oil and products to registered patients in this state and to coordinate the best use of facilities and resources to operate such distribution network;

(5) To establish procedures for inspecting production facilities operated by designated universities;

(6) To establish requirements and procedures to ensure quality control, security, and oversight of low THC oil and products production in this state, including, but not limited to, testing for purity and dosage levels and verification that product labels accurately reflect product content;

(7) To provide for oversight of tracking systems;

(8) To coordinate and assist in the collection of data to evaluate the provision of low THC oil and products in this state;

(9) To study the provision of low THC oil and products in this state to determine the

best practices and methods of providing such services, to determine what changes are needed to improve the provision of low THC oil and products, and to report any proposed legislative changes to the General Assembly each year;

(10) To coordinate its activities with the Department of Public Health;

(11) To employ an executive director and other staff and to establish duties and responsibilities of such persons; ~~and~~

(12) To employ and manage consultants, as deemed necessary, in order to fulfill its duties and responsibilities under this article; and

(13) To review new treatment and delivery methods for low THC oil and products that may result from medical research and are not otherwise inconsistent with this article, and recommend statutory changes to the General Assembly to authorize such treatment and delivery methods and products."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-204, relating to the issuance of nontransferable designated university licenses for production of low THC oil, research on therapeutic use, reporting, collected information, and license revocation, as follows:

"16-12-204.

(a) ~~The~~ Upon request by the University System of Georgia, the commission shall issue nontransferable designated university licenses for the production of low THC oil and products. The licenses granted to designated universities pursuant to this Code section shall be in addition to any licenses issued pursuant to Part 2 of this article. The designated universities shall have the option to be licensed as a production facility, either separately or jointly. The designated universities shall be authorized to contract with private entities to fulfill the terms of the license, including contracting for the production of low THC oil and products. All contracts shall be approved by the commission.

(b) Each designated university may conduct research on marijuana for therapeutic use if such university is licensed as a production facility pursuant to this Code section. Effective January 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, the designated universities shall submit a report to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee and the House Committee on Health and Human Services, to include data and outcomes of the research conducted pursuant to this paragraph.

(c)(1) The commission shall collect the following information from each licensee:

(A) The amount of low THC oil and products produced by the licensee during each calendar year;

(B) The details of all production costs, including but not limited to seed, fertilizer, labor, advisory services, construction, and irrigation;

(C) The details of any items or services for which the licensee subcontracted and the costs of each subcontractor directly or indirectly working for the licensee;

(D) The amount of therapeutic chemicals produced resulting from the low THC oil and products manufactured pursuant to this article;

(E) The amounts paid each year to the licensee related to the licensee's production of low THC oil and products manufactured pursuant to this article; and

(F) The amount of low THC oil and products distributed to each dispensing licensee to dispense low THC oil and products in this state during each calendar year.

(2) The commission shall provide the information collected pursuant to this subsection for the previous calendar year in the form of a written report to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee and the House Committee on Health and Human Services no later than February 1 of each year. The commission shall also make a copy of such report available to the public by posting such report on the commission's website.

(d) The commission may revoke the license of a designated university if it is found by the commission to have violated any of the requirements established pursuant to this article."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by repealing and reserving Code Section 16-12-205, relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications.

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-206, relating to annual, nontransferable dispensing licenses and adoption of rules, as follows:

"16-12-206.

(a)(1) ~~The~~ Upon request by a licensed pharmacy in this state, the State Board of Pharmacy shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable specialty dispensing license for ~~a~~ an independent pharmacy with a registered office located within this state to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules and regulations regarding dispensing pharmacies in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(2) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for other retail outlets operated by Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section. No later than six months after the award of a Class 1 or Class 2 production license, the commission shall issue such production licensee a sufficient number of retail dispensing licenses to make its products available to registered patients throughout the state. ~~The commission shall ensure that retail outlets are dispersed throughout the state for access by registered patients~~. In setting the number of retail licensees per production licensee, the commission shall consider the following factors:

(A) Provision of a sufficient number of licensees in each geographic area of the state to provide for market competition on pricing, product diversity, and treatment formulations between licensees;

(B) Enabling such licensees to provide home delivery of products to medically fragile registered patients throughout the state; and

(C) Ensuring that any registered patient in Georgia is able to choose from more than

one retail outlet within a reasonable driving distance of his or her home.

(b) The State Board of Pharmacy and the commission shall ~~jointly~~ separately adopt rules relating to the dispensing of low THC oil and products, with the State Board of Pharmacy promulgating rules and regulations for pharmacies that dispense low THC oil and products and the commission promulgating rules and regulations for other retail outlets that dispense low THC oil and products ~~by pharmacies and retail dispensing licensees~~. Such rules shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Standards, procedures, and protocols for the effective use of low THC oil and products as authorized by state law and related rules and regulations;

(2) Standards, procedures, and protocols for the dispensing of low THC oil and products by a pharmacy with a dispensing license and by retail dispensing licensees and for the utilization of a tracking system;

(3) Procedures and protocols to provide that no low THC oil or products may be sold to or transferred to a location outside of this state;

(4) The establishment of standards, procedures, and protocols for determining the amount of usable low THC oil and products that is necessary to constitute an adequate supply for registered patients in this state to ensure uninterrupted availability for a period of one month, including amounts for topical treatments;

(5) The establishment of standards, procedures, and protocols to ensure that all low THC oil and products dispensed ~~is~~ are consistently pharmaceutical grade;

(6) The establishment of standards and procedures for the revocation, suspension, and nonrenewal of dispensing licenses;

(7) The establishment of other licensing, renewal, and operational standards which are deemed necessary by the State Board of Pharmacy and the commission;

(8) The establishment of standards and procedures for testing low THC oil and products for levels of tetrahydrocannabinol or other testing parameters deemed appropriate by the State Board of Pharmacy and the commission;

(9) The establishment of health, safety, and security requirements for pharmacies and ~~other retail outlets~~ retail dispensing licensees dispensing low THC oil and products; and

(10) Requirements for the issuance of dispensing licenses to pharmacies and ~~other retail outlets~~ Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-207, relating to establishment of Medical Cannabis Commission Oversight Committee, membership, and inspections, as follows:

"16-12-207.

(a) The General Assembly shall establish a Medical Cannabis Commission Oversight Committee with two members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Any member of the Medical Cannabis Commission Oversight Committee shall be permitted to inspect any production facility upon request and after reasonable notice is provided to the production facility.

(b) The commission shall promptly provide any document or information requested by

the oversight committee that is in its possession, provided that the commission shall not share documents containing data identifying individual patients or physicians, information marked as trade secrets by applicants or licensees, information that in the view of the commission would interfere with an ongoing licensing applicant selection process, or information that in the judgment of the commission would create law enforcement or security risks to the citizens of Georgia.

(c) No later than August 1, 2021, the oversight committee shall recommend to the commission a process and plan for providing accredited lab testing of products produced by licensees and for labeling such products. The commission shall consider the recommendations of the oversight committee in adopting policies, procedures, and regulations regarding such testing and labeling.

(d) The oversight committee may regularly seek input from patients and physicians as to the availability and quality of products produced pursuant to this chapter, and recommend to the commission changes to policies, procedures, and regulations to improve availability and quality. The commission shall consider such recommendations in adopting policies, procedures, and regulations."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-210, relating to powers, duties, and responsibilities of commission, no undue burden on patients, and remission of fees, as follows:

"16-12-210.

(a) The commission shall have the following powers, duties, and responsibilities to implement the provisions of this part:

(1) Issue licenses related to the production, growing, and manufacturing of low THC oil and products in accordance with the provisions of this part;

(2) Coordinate with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to implement security plans and enforce the provisions of this part;

(3) Establish procedures for granting licenses, testing products, and inspecting facilities;

(4) Establish requirements and procedures to ensure quality control, security, and oversight of all low THC oil and product production in this state, including, but not limited to, conducting testing for purity and dosage levels and verifying that product labels accurately reflect product content. The commission is authorized to contract with private laboratories to perform the functions described in this paragraph;

(5) Establish procedures and ensure sufficient resources are available to receive and resolve complaints from registered patients;

(6) Establish applications and forms necessary to carry out the provisions of this part;

(7) Establish criteria for applicants and licensees as necessary to ensure market stability and adequate supply;

(8) Provide for the selection, implementation, and oversight of tracking systems;

(9) Provide oversight of licensee reporting, data collection, and analysis;

(10) Establish requirements and procedures for marketing and signage; and

(11) Promulgate rules and regulations and adopt policies and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions of this part.

(b) The commission shall not promulgate any rules or regulations that would unduly burden access to low THC oil or products by registered patients.

(c) All fees collected by the commission shall be remitted to the general fund of the state treasury."

**SECTION 9.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a), (b), and (g) of Code Section 16-12-211, relating to Class 1 production licenses, application fee, revocation, limitation on ownership, and replacement licenses, as follows:

"(a) The commission may issue up to two Class 1 production licenses. A Class 1 production licensee shall be authorized to:

(1) Grow cannabis only in indoor facilities for use in producing low THC oil, limited to 100,000 square feet of cultivation space; and

(2) Manufacture low THC oil and products.

(b) Class 1 production licenses shall be issued to applicants selected by the commission following a competitive application and review process in accordance with the requirements set forth in this part. An applicant must be a Georgia corporation or entity and shall maintain a bank account with a bank or credit union located in this state. An applicant for a Class 1 production license shall submit an application on a form established by the commission, together with the following information:

(1) Proof of available capital to make the investments needed to safely, securely, and promptly perform all required functions of a licensee. Prior to issuance of a Class 1 production license, the applicant shall provide written documentation showing that on the date of application and award such applicant holds at least $2 million in available cash reserves to invest in operations in this state;

(2) A written production plan detailing the production processes that, at a minimum, includes details describing how the chain of custody will be maintained, documented, and made available for review by the commission or the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. Production processes shall include compliance with all production standards, laws, and regulations needed to protect public safety and ensure product purity;

(3) A comprehensive security plan that ensures compliance with the applicable laws of this state. At a minimum, a security plan shall include a 24 hours per day, seven days per week interior and exterior video monitoring and intrusion detection monitoring system, recording and video storage capabilities for all facilities, and licensed security personnel. The entire premises of licensees shall be equipped with a centralized access control system capable of generating detailed reports of access logs for a minimum of one year. All videos, access logs, and any other monitoring data shall be available to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation upon request. The commission is authorized to set requirements for the minimum technology, resolution, and storage capacity of at least 45 days for the video recording capabilities of licensees;

(4) A written plan detailing specific security measures to ensure secured transportation and tracking of delivered products for intrafacility transportation;
(5) A detailed employment plan specifying the jobs and salaries of employees and demonstrating the expected economic impact of proposed activities in Georgia;
(6) A written plan to ensure that no pesticides are used at any point in the production process other than those certified organic by the Organic Materials Review Institute or another similar standards organization;
(7) Detailed designs of all production facilities;
(8) Letters of support from one or more local governmental entities where the primary facilities will be located;
(9) A demonstration of significant involvement in the business by one or more minority business enterprises as defined in Code Section 50-5-131, either as co-owners of the business or as significant suppliers of goods and services for the business. Such applicants shall be encouraged to form business relationships with Georgia agricultural businesses and military veterans;
(10) Documentation of the applicant's industry capabilities and management experience. The commission shall consider the relevant industry experience and strength of the applicant's management team and board of directors when considering its merits;
(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $1.5 million cash bond or for any licenses that are applied for on or after July 1, 2021, other comparable surety as determined by the commission, payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be obtained within 30 days of license award. Failure to provide the requisite bond or letter of credit within 30 days of the license award date shall be cause for revocation of the license;
(12) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints submitted to the commission in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The commission shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the commission shall review the record for all owners, officers, and employees of the applicant demonstrating a lack of convictions, except for felony convictions that are greater than ten years old, are not drug related, or have been expunged or pardoned; and
(13) A description of any efforts made by the applicant to create jobs or locate facilities in tier one or tier two counties as defined in Code Section 48-7-40."

"~~(g) In the event a license issued pursuant to this Code section is revoked by the commission or surrendered by the licensee, the commission shall be authorized to issue a replacement license through a competitive application and review process conducted in accordance with this Code section.~~"

**SECTION 10.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a), (b), and (g) of Code Section 16-12-212, relating to Class 2 production licenses, application fee, revocation, limitation on ownership, and replacement licenses, as follows:

"(a) The commission may issue up to four Class 2 production licenses. A Class 2 production licensee shall be authorized to:

(1) Grow cannabis only in indoor facilities for use in producing low THC oil, limited to 50,000 square feet of cultivation space; and

(2) Manufacture low THC oil and products.

(b) Class 2 production licenses shall be issued to applicants selected by the commission following a competitive application and review process in accordance with the requirements set forth in this part. An applicant must be a Georgia corporation or entity and shall maintain a bank account with a bank or credit union located in this state. An applicant for a Class 2 production license shall submit an application on a form established by the commission, together with the following information:

(1) Proof of available capital to make the investments needed to safely, securely, and promptly perform all required functions of a licensee. Prior to issuance of a Class 2 production license, the applicant shall provide written documentation showing that on the date of application and award such applicant holds at least $1.25 million in available cash reserves to invest in operations in this state;

(2) A written production plan detailing the production processes that, at a minimum, includes details describing how the chain of custody will be maintained, documented, and made available for review by the commission or the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. Production processes shall include compliance with all production standards, laws, and regulations needed to protect public safety and ensure product purity;

(3) A comprehensive security plan that ensures compliance with the applicable laws of this state. At a minimum, a security plan shall include a 24 hours per day, seven days per week interior and exterior video monitoring and intrusion detection monitoring system, recording and video storage capabilities for all facilities, and licensed security personnel. The entire premises of licensees shall be equipped with a centralized access control system capable of generating detailed reports of access logs for a minimum of one year. All videos, access logs, and any other monitoring data shall be available to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation upon request. The commission is authorized to set requirements for the minimum technology, resolution, and storage capacity of at least 45 days for the video recording capabilities of licensees;

(4) A written plan detailing specific security measures to ensure secured transportation and tracking of delivered products for intrafacility transportation;

(5) A detailed employment plan specifying the jobs and salaries of employees and demonstrating the expected economic impact of proposed activities in Georgia;

(6) A written plan to ensure that no pesticides are used at any point in the production process other than those certified organic by the Organic Materials Review Institute or another similar standards organization;

(7) Detailed designs of all production facilities;

(8) Letters of support from one or more local governmental entities where the primary facilities will be located;

(9) A demonstration of significant involvement in the business by one or more minority business enterprises as defined in Code Section 50-5-131, either as co-owners of the business or as significant suppliers of goods and services for the business. Such applicants shall be encouraged to form business relationships with Georgia agricultural businesses and military veterans;

(10) Documentation of the applicant's industry capabilities and management experience. The commission shall consider the relevant industry experience and strength of the applicant's management team and board of directors when considering its merits;

(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $625,000.00 cash bond or for any licenses that are applied for on or after July 1, 2021, other comparable surety as determined by the commission, payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be obtained within 30 days of license award. Failure to provide the requisite bond or letter of credit within 30 days of the license award date shall be cause for revocation of the license;

(12) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints submitted to the commission in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The commission shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the commission shall review the record for all owners, officers, and employees of the applicant demonstrating a lack of convictions, except for felony convictions that are greater than ten years old, are not drug related, or have been expunged or pardoned; and

(13) A description of any efforts made by the applicant to create jobs or locate facilities in tier one or tier two counties as defined in Code Section 48-7-40."

"~~(g) In the event a license issued pursuant to this Code section is revoked by the commission or surrendered by the licensee, the commission shall be authorized to issue a replacement license through a competitive application and review process conducted in accordance with this Code section.~~"

**SECTION 11.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-213, relating to tracking systems required, as follows:

"16-12-213.

(a) The commission shall require that each Class 1 production licensee and Class 2 production licensee establish, maintain, and utilize, directly or by contract, a tracking system. The commission shall approve one or more vendors to provide or operate

tracking systems.

(b) A tracking system shall have the functions and capabilities described in subsections (c) and (d) of this Code section and shall be operated in compliance with the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191.

(c) The tracking system shall be hosted on a platform that allows for:

(1) Dynamic allocation of resources;

(2) Data redundancy; and

(3) Recovery from natural disaster within 12 hours.

(d) The tracking system shall be capable of:

(1) Tracking all plants, products, packages, and registered patients' purchase totals, waste, transfers, conversions, sales, and returns that, if practicable, are linked to unique identification numbers;

(2) Tracking lot and batch information throughout the entire chain of custody;

(3) Tracking all marijuana, ~~and~~ low THC oil, and products throughout the entire chain of custody;

(4) Tracking plant, batch, and marijuana, ~~and~~ low THC oil, and product destruction;

(5) Tracking transportation of marijuana, ~~and~~ low THC oil, and products;

(6) Performing complete batch recall tracking that clearly identifies all of the following details relating to the specific batch subject to the recall:

(A) Amount of low THC oil and products sold;

(B) Amount of low THC oil and products inventory that is finished and available for sale;

(C) Amount of low THC oil and products that is in the process of transfer;

(D) Amount of low THC oil and products being processed into another form; and

(E) Amount of postharvest raw marijuana, such as marijuana that is in the drying, trimming, or curing process;

(7) Reporting and tracking loss, theft, or diversion of marijuana, ~~or~~ low THC oil, or products;

(8) Reporting and tracking all inventory discrepancies;

(9) Reporting and tracking adverse patient responses or dose related efficacy issues;

(10) Reporting and tracking all sales and refunds;

(11) Tracking purchase limits and flagging purchases in excess of authorized limits;

(12) Receiving electronically submitted information required to be reported under this Code section;

(13) Receiving testing results electronically from a laboratory via a secured application program interface into the tracking system and directly linking the testing results to each applicable source batch and sample;

(14) Flagging test results that have characteristics indicating that they may have been altered;

(15) Providing information to cross-check that low THC oil and product sales are made to a registered patient, caregiver, or designated caregiver and that the low THC oil and products received the required testing;

(16) Providing the commission with real-time access to information in the tracking

system; and

(17) Providing real-time information to the commission regarding key performance indicators, including:

(A) Total low THC oil and products daily sales;

(B) Total marijuana plants in production;

(C) Total marijuana plants destroyed; and

(D) Total inventory adjustments.

(e) A Class 1 production licensee or Class 2 production licensee shall supply the relevant tracking or testing information regarding each plant, product, package, batch, test, transfer, conversion, sale, recall, or disposition of marijuana, ~~or~~ low THC oil, or products in or from such licensee's possession or control on forms created by the commission."

**SECTION 12.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-215, relating to limitation on locations, advertising or marketing prohibited, and information available to physicians, as follows:

"16-12-215.

(a) No licensee shall operate in any location, whether for cultivation, harvesting, and processing of marijuana or for processing, manufacturing, packaging, or distributing low THC oil or products, within a 3,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. No dispensing licensee may operate in any location within a 1,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, local governments may, via use of existing zoning powers otherwise provided by law, allow dispensing licensees only to locate in places other than those provided in this subsection so long as such modification is needed to allow retail outlets to be established to service registered patients residing within such local jurisdiction. As used in this subsection, the term 'covered entity' means a public or private school; an early care and education program as defined in Code Section 20-1A-2; or a church, synagogue, or other place of public religious worship, in existence prior to the date of licensure of such licensee by the commission or State Board of Pharmacy.

(b) No licensee shall advertise or market low THC oil or products to registered patients or the public; provided, however, that a licensee shall be authorized to provide information regarding its low THC oil and products directly to physicians."

**SECTION 13.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-216, relating to Georgia Bureau of Investigation ensuring compliance, as follows:

"16-12-216.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation shall be responsible for ~~ensuring~~ investigating any alleged criminal activities related to the activities of the licensees, and shall work with the commission and the Georgia Composite Medical Board to develop procedures to ensure that all activities of licensees are conducted in accordance with this part and the

laws of this state. In addition to other powers and duties, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, and the Georgia Composite Medical Board shall jointly establish procedures to ensure that no activities conducted under this part result in the illegal or recreational use of low THC oil, products, or manufacturing by-products and jointly establish any other procedures necessary to carry out its duties and responsibilities pursuant to this part."

**SECTION 14.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-217, relating to on-demand access to facilities, provision of samples, testing, and secured transportation, as follows:

"16-12-217.

(a) All licensees shall provide on-demand access to facilities for inspection when requested by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, or the local law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction in which the facility is located. The commission and the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency may each conduct one annual inspection. Upon request by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, or the local law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction in which the facility is located, a licensee shall immediately provide product samples for the purposes of laboratory testing.

(b) Each Class 1 production licensee and Class 2 production licensee shall contract with a laboratory on the commission's approved list of independent laboratories, subject to any requirements set by the commission, for purposes of testing low THC oil and products manufactured by such licensees. Low THC oil and products shall be analyzed for potency, foreign matter, microbial presence, pesticides, heavy metals, and residual solvents. The commission shall establish limits for each item tested to verify that such low THC oil and products meet ~~meets~~ the requirements of this part. The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the operations of laboratories for the testing of low THC oil and products. The costs of laboratory testing shall be paid by the licensees. Each low THC oil product shall be required to pass all requirements established by the commission before being distributed. Products that do not pass the commission's requirements shall be destroyed by the licensee and proof of such destruction shall be sent to the commission upon request.

(c) This Code section shall not apply to intrafacility transportation of low THC oil or products; provided, however, that licensees engaging in such transportation shall maintain secured transportation and tracking of product delivery."

**SECTION 15.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-221, relating to contracts awarded through bids or proposals, minimum contract terms and renewals, subcontracting, and giving or receiving things of value limited, as follows:

"16-12-221.

(a) The commission shall grant initial licenses under this part pursuant to contracts awarded through competitive sealed bids or competitive sealed proposals as provided for

in Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50. After issuance of two initial Class 1 production licenses pursuant to Code Section 16-12-211 and four initial Class 2 production licenses pursuant to Code Section 16-12-212, and in the event that the commission revokes a Class 1 or Class 2 production license, a Class 1 or 2 production license is surrendered for any reason, or the commission issues an additional Class 1 production license pursuant to Code Section 16-12-214, the commission shall be authorized to issue any replacement Class 1 or Class 2 production licenses in accordance with rules and regulations established by the commission for such purpose. Such rules and regulations shall not otherwise conflict with this article, and to the extent practicable, such rules and regulations shall incorporate provisions and processes similar to Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50.

(b) Any contract for a license awarded pursuant to this subsection shall not be for less than five years and may contain provisions for automatic renewal.

(c) No licensee shall subcontract for services for the cultivation or processing in any way of marijuana if the subcontractor, or any of the service providers in the chain of subcontractors, is owned wholly or in excess of 5 percent by any state employee or member of a state employee's immediate family, including but not limited to any legislator, state-wide public official, or employee of a designated university. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'immediate family member' means a spouse, child, sibling, or parent or the spouse of a child, sibling, or parent.

(d) No licensee shall give or receive anything of value in connection with any contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative endeavor agreement executed pursuant to this part except the value that is expressed in the contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative endeavor agreement."

**SECTION 16.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-224, relating to limitation on ownership by member or former member of commission, limitation on physician's involvement, and identification when contributing to political campaigns, as follows:

"16-12-224.

(a) No current member of the commission, or former member of the commission for a period of five years from the date such individual ceased to be a member, shall own, operate, have a financial interest in, or be employed by a low THC oil or product manufacturer or distributor, including any licensee under this part.

(b) No physician who, presently or during the period of such business relationship, certifies individuals to the commission pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18 for the use of low THC oil and products to treat certain conditions shall own, operate, have a financial interest in, or be employed by a low THC oil or product manufacturer or distributor, including any licensee under this part. This subsection shall not prohibit a physician from furnishing a registered patient or his or her caregiver, upon request, with the names of low THC oil and product manufacturers or distributors. Any physician violating this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) A licensee that makes a campaign contribution pursuant to Article 2 of Chapter 5 of

Title 21 shall identify itself as a licensee under this part to the recipient of such campaign contribution."

**SECTION 17.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-225, relating to criminal offenses and penalty, as follows:

"16-12-225.

(a) A licensee or licensee's employee who knowingly or willfully encourages, causes, abets, connives, conspires, or aids in the endangerment of patients, trafficking of low THC oil, products, or its manufacturing by-products, or criminal distribution of raw materials and agricultural inputs, including but not limited to seeds, under this part shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not to exceed $100,000.00, imprisonment for not less than five nor more than ten years, or both.

(b) Any person whose acts or omissions of gross, willful, or wanton negligence contribute to or cause the endangerment of patients, trafficking of low THC oil, products, or its manufacturing by-products, or criminal distribution of raw materials and agricultural inputs, including but not limited to seeds, under this part shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of up to $5,000.00, imprisonment for up to 12 months, or both.

(c) Failure to comply with all other provisions of this part shall be punishable by a fine of up to $500.00 for the first offense. All persons convicted of a second or subsequent offense shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of up to $1,000.00, imprisonment for up to six months, or both, for each violation.

(d) The provisions of this Code section shall not preclude prosecution and punishment for the commission of any offense otherwise provided by law."

**SECTION 18.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-226, relating to applicable sales and use tax, as follows:

"16-12-226.

The sale of low THC oil and products authorized by this article shall be subject to all applicable sales and use taxes."

**SECTION 19.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-230, relating to requirements for dispensing low THC oil, as follows:

"16-12-230.

(a) Low THC oil and products shall only be dispensed to registered patients in this state by a dispensing licensee or directly from the commission pursuant to this article.

(b) A pharmacist who dispenses low THC oil or products shall seek and review information on a registered patient from the prescription drug monitoring program data base established pursuant to Code Section 16-13-57 prior to dispensing low THC oil or products to the registered patient."

**SECTION 20.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-231, relating to exemptions from arrest, prosecutions, or penalty, as follows:

"16-12-231.

The following persons and entities, when acting in accordance with the provisions of this article, shall not be subject to arrest, prosecution, or any civil or administrative penalty, including a civil penalty or disciplinary action by a professional licensing board, or be denied any right or privilege, for the medical use, prescription, administration, manufacture, ~~or~~ distribution, or transport of low THC oil or products:

(1) A registered patient who is in possession of an amount of low THC oil or products authorized under Code Section 16-12-191 or such patient's caregiver, parent, or guardian;

(2) A physician who certifies a patient to the Department of Public Health as being diagnosed with a condition or in a hospice program and authorized to use low THC oil or products for treatment pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18;

(3) A pharmacist or pharmacy that dispenses or provides low THC oil or products to a registered patient;

(4) The commission or its employees or contractors associated with the production of low THC oil or products in accordance with this article; ~~and~~

(5) A designated university, an employee of a designated university, or any other person associated with the production of low THC oil or products in accordance with this article; and

(6) An employee, contractor, or agent of a licensee with proper identification associated with the production, manufacture, distribution, transport, or sale of low THC oil or products in accordance with this article."

**SECTION 21.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-233, relating to contracts not against public policy, as follows:

"16-12-233.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that contracts related to the cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, production, and distribution of cannabis solely for the manufacture of low THC oil or products pursuant to this article are not deemed contracts against public policy pursuant to Code Section 13-8-2 and shall be enforceable. No such contract shall be unenforceable on the basis that activities related to cannabis are prohibited by federal law."

**SECTION 22.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-234, relating to unlawful ways to ingest low THC oil, as follows:

"16-12-234.

It shall be unlawful to ingest low THC oil or products in a manner that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical, or mechanical

means, regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce vapor in a solution or other form, including but not limited to any electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device and any vapor cartridge or other container of low THC oil or product in a solution or other form that is intended to be used with or in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device."

**SECTION 23.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-235, relating to research in compliance with federal regulations and other research permitted, as follows:

"16-12-235.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary within this article, nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the conduct of research involving low THC oil, ~~or~~ cannabis, or products that is conducted in full accordance with federal regulations, including the regulations of the United States Food and Drug Administration and United States Drug Enforcement Administration by any university or nonprofit institution of higher education within the State of Georgia, provided that:

(1) The university researchers conducting the research have the appropriate federal and state permits to acquire and use low THC oil, ~~or~~ cannabis, or products in clinical or preclinical research; and

(2) The substances used for such research are obtained from licensed pharmaceutical companies or through channels established by the United States government, such as the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

(b) Nothing in this article shall be construed to prohibit research otherwise permitted by Chapter 51 of Title 31."

**SECTION 24.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-12-235.1.

(a) The commission shall issue permits for colleges and universities located within the State of Georgia to possess limited quantities of low THC oil and products for purposes of conducting medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 licensee. Such permits shall be for a Georgia based college or university that:

(1) Is a member of the University System of Georgia, or an independent college or university accredited by a higher education accrediting body with comparable academic standards to those utilized by member institutions of the University System of Georgia;

(2) Has a campus that has been located at a physical location within the state for at least 20 years, and a full-time enrollment of at least 200 Georgia students during the past year;

(3) Is proposing a research partnership that is, in the sole judgment of the commission, fully compliant with the laws of this article; and

(4) Is proposing a research partnership that has been approved by the primary institutional review board located at such institution.

(b) Any such permit issued pursuant to this Code section shall specify:

(1) The individuals at the institution authorized to work with low THC oil;

(2) The primary objectives of the research study;

(3) The physical location on campus where the low THC oil will be stored, and security measures in place to prevent unauthorized use of such low THC oil;

(4) The method of transporting low THC oil from a licensed production facility to the campus;

(5) The method of returning low THC oil to a licensed production facility at the conclusion of the study; and

(6) The beginning and end date of the study.

(c) Any institution which receives a permit pursuant to this Code section shall provide on-demand access to facilities for inspection when requested by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, or the local law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction in which the facility is located."

**SECTION 25.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-21, relating to definitions relative to "Georgia Controlled Substances Act," by revising paragraph (16) as follows:

"(16) 'Marijuana' means all parts of the plant of the genus Cannabis, whether growing or not, the seeds thereof, the resin extracted from any part of such plant, and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such plant, its seeds, or resin, but shall not include samples as described in subparagraph (P) of paragraph (3) of Code Section 16-13-25; shall not include the completely defoliated mature stalks of such plant, fiber produced from such stalks, oil, or cake, or the completely sterilized samples of seeds of the plant which are incapable of germination; and shall not include hemp or hemp products as such terms are defined in Code Section 2-23-3. Such term shall not include products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act."

**SECTION 26.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-25, relating to Schedule I controlled substances, by revising subparagraph (3)(P) as follows:

"(P) Tetrahydrocannabinol, tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, or a combination of tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid which does not contain plant material exhibiting the external morphological features of the plant of the genus Cannabis, but not including such substance when found in hemp or hemp products as such terms are defined in Code Section 2-23-3. Tetrahydrocannabinols do not include products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act;"

**SECTION 27.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-29, relating to Schedule V controlled substances, by repealing paragraph (1.5).

**SECTION 28.**

Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to change, amend, or alter any criteria for applications for a Class 1 or Class 2 production license submitted to the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission on or prior to January 27, 2021.

**SECTION 29.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Jackson of the 2nd and Sims of the 12th filed the following amendment #1:

Amend the House substitute to SB 195 (LC 44 1755S) by striking line 123 and replacing it with:
"Upon request by a designated university, the commission shall issue

Senator Cowsert of the 46th filed the following amendment #1A:

*Amend the AM #1 to the House substitute to SB 195 (LC 44 1755S) by inserting on line 4 the following:*

To amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to update and revise provisions relating to access to medical cannabis; to revise definitions; to provide for review of new treatment and delivery methods; to repeal a provision relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications; to revise provisions relating to dispensing; to provide for the issuance of dispensing licenses to independent pharmacies and production licensees; to provide for recommendations and input from the oversight committee; to provide for coordination with the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to provide for permits to colleges and universities within this state to conduct medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 production licensee; to move epidiolex from a Schedule V controlled substance to a dangerous drug; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for application; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

*By striking lines 16 through 30 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

**SECTION 1.**

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-12-200, relating to definitions, as follows:

*By striking* "**SECTION 3.**" *on line 73 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 2.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 4.**" *on line 118 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 3.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 5.**" *on line 157 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 4.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 6.**" *on line 160 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 5.**"

*By striking lines 164 through 194 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

(a)(1) The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop an annual, nontransferable specialty dispensing license for a pharmacy to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules and regulations regarding dispensing pharmacies in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(2) Upon request by a licensed pharmacy in this state, the State Board of Pharmacy shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable specialty dispensing license for an independent pharmacy with a registered office located within this state to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules and regulations regarding dispensing pharmacies in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

~~(2)~~(3) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for retail outlets to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(4) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for other retail outlets operated by Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(5) The commission shall issue a sufficient number of dispensing licenses pursuant to paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection for retail outlets to make their products available to registered patients throughout the state. ~~The commission shall ensure that retail outlets are dispersed throughout the state for access by registered patients~~. In determining the sufficient number of retail licensees, the commission shall consider the following factors:

(A) Provision of a sufficient number of licensees in each geographic area of the state to provide for market competition on pricing, product diversity, and treatment formulations between licensees; and

(B) Enabling dispensing licensees to provide home delivery of products to medically fragile registered patients throughout the state.

(b) The State Board of Pharmacy and the commission shall jointly adopt rules relating to the dispensing of low THC oil and products by pharmacies and retail dispensing licensees. Such rules shall include but not be limited to:

*By striking lines 217 and 218 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

(10) Requirements for the issuance of dispensing licenses to pharmacies, independent

pharmacies, retail outlets, and other retail outlets operated by Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees."

*By striking* "**SECTION 7.**" *on line 219 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 6.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 8.**" *on line 246 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 7.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 9.**" *on line 277 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 8.**"

*By striking line 278 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section
*By striking lines 330 through 332 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $1.5 million cash bond payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be

*By striking lines 349 through 352.*

*By striking* "**SECTION 10.**" *on line 353 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 9.**"

*By striking line 354 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section

*By striking lines 406 through 408 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $625,000.00 cash bond payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be

*By striking lines 425 through 428.*

*By striking* "**SECTION 11.**" *on line 429 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 10.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 12.**" *on line 490 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 11.**"

*By striking lines 495 through 504 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
(a) No licensee shall operate in any location, whether for cultivation, harvesting, and processing of marijuana or for processing, manufacturing, packaging, or distributing low THC oil or products, within a ~~3,000~~ 1,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. No dispensing licensee may operate in any location within a 1,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. As used in this subsection, the

*By striking* "**SECTION 13.**" *on line 512 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 12.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 14.**" *on line 525 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 13.**"

*By striking lines 553 through 582.*

*By striking* "**SECTION 16.**" *on line 583 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 14.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 17.**" *on line 603 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 15.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 18.**" *on line 625 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 16.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 19.**" *on line 631 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 17.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 20.**" *on line 641 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 18.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 21.**" *on line 665 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 19.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 22.**" *on line 674 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 20.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 23.**" *on line 686 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 21.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 24.**" *on line 704 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 22.**"

*By striking lines 735 through 760 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

**SECTION 23.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-29, relating to Schedule V controlled substances, by revising paragraph (1.5) as follows:

"(1.5) ~~Epidiolex: A drug product in finished dosage formulation in its original container that has been approved by and labeled in compliance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that contains cannabidiol (CBD) derived from cannabis and contains no more than 0.1 percent (w/w) residual tetrahydrocannabinols;~~ Reserved;"

**SECTION 24.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-71, relating to the definition of dangerous drug, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(332.88) Epidiolex: A drug product in finished dosage formulation in its original container that has been approved by and labeled in compliance with the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that contains cannabidiol (CBD) derived from cannabis and contains no more than 0.1 percent (w/w) residual tetrahydrocannabinols;"

*By striking* "**SECTION 28.**" *on line 761 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 25.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 29.**" *on line 765 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 26.**"

Senators Sims of the 12th, Mullis of the 53rd and Jackson of the 2nd filed the following amendment #2:

Amend House substitute to SB 195 (LC 44 1755S) by striking line 123 and replacing it with: Upon request by a designated university, the commission shall issue

Senator Cowsert of the 46th filed the following amendment #2A:

*Amend the AM #2 to the House substitute to SB 195 (LC 44 1755S) by inserting on line 4 the following:*

To amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to update and revise provisions relating to access to medical cannabis; to revise definitions; to provide for review of new treatment and delivery methods; to repeal a provision relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications; to revise provisions relating to dispensing; to provide for the issuance of dispensing licenses to independent pharmacies and production licensees; to provide for recommendations and input from the oversight committee; to provide for coordination with the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to provide for permits to colleges and universities within this state to conduct medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 production licensee; to move epidiolex from a Schedule V controlled substance to a dangerous drug; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for application; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

*By striking lines 16 through 30 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

**SECTION 1.**

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-12-200, relating to definitions, as follows:

*By striking* "**SECTION 3.**" *on line 73 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 2.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 4.**" *on line 118 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 3.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 5.**" *on line 157 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 4.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 6.**" *on line 160 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 5.**"

*By striking lines 164 through 194 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

(a)(1) The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop an annual, nontransferable specialty dispensing license for a pharmacy to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules and regulations regarding dispensing pharmacies in this state in accordance with the requirements

contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(2) Upon request by a licensed pharmacy in this state, the State Board of Pharmacy shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable specialty dispensing license for an independent pharmacy with a registered office located within this state to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules and regulations regarding dispensing pharmacies in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

~~(2)~~(3) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for retail outlets to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(4) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for other retail outlets operated by Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(5) The commission shall issue a sufficient number of dispensing licenses pursuant to paragraphs (3) and (4) of this subsection for retail outlets to make their products available to registered patients throughout the state. ~~The commission shall ensure that retail outlets are dispersed throughout the state for access by registered patients~~. In determining the sufficient number of retail licensees, the commission shall consider the following factors:

(A) Provision of a sufficient number of licensees in each geographic area of the state to provide for market competition on pricing, product diversity, and treatment formulations between licensees; and

(B) Enabling dispensing licensees to provide home delivery of products to medically fragile registered patients throughout the state.

(b) The State Board of Pharmacy and the commission shall jointly adopt rules relating to the dispensing of low THC oil and products by pharmacies and retail dispensing licensees. Such rules shall include but not be limited to:

*By striking lines 217 and 218 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

(10) Requirements for the issuance of dispensing licenses to pharmacies, independent pharmacies, retail outlets, and other retail outlets operated by Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees."

*By striking* "**SECTION 7.**" *on line 219 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 6.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 8.**" *on line 246 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 7.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 9.**" *on line 277 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 8.**"

*By striking line 278 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section

*By striking lines 330 through 332 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $1.5 million cash bond payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be

*By striking lines 349 through 352.*

*By striking* "**SECTION 10.**" *on line 353 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 9.**"

*By striking line 354 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a) and (b) of Code Section

*By striking lines 406 through 408 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $625,000.00 cash bond payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be

*By striking lines 425 through 428.*

*By striking* "**SECTION 11.**" *on line 429 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 10.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 12.**" *on line 490 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 11.**"

*By striking lines 495 through 504 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*
(a) No licensee shall operate in any location, whether for cultivation, harvesting, and processing of marijuana or for processing, manufacturing, packaging, or distributing low THC oil or products, within a ~~3,000~~ 1,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. No dispensing licensee may operate in any location within a 1,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. As used in this subsection, the

*By striking* "**SECTION 13.**" *on line 512 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 12.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 14.**" *on line 525 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 13.**"

*By striking lines 553 through 582.*

*By striking* "**SECTION 16.**" *on line 583 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 14.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 17.**" *on line 603 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 15.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 18.**" *on line 625 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 16.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 19.**" *on line 631 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 17.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 20.**" *on line 641 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 18.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 21.**" *on line 665 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 19.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 22.**" *on line 674 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 20.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 23.**" *on line 686 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 21.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 24.**" *on line 704 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 22.**"

*By striking lines 735 through 760 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

**SECTION 23.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-29, relating to Schedule V controlled substances, by revising paragraph (1.5) as follows:

"(1.5) ~~Epidiolex: A drug product in finished dosage formulation in its original container that has been approved by and labeled in compliance with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that contains cannabidiol (CBD) derived from cannabis and contains no more than 0.1 percent (w/w) residual tetrahydrocannabinols;~~ Reserved;"

**SECTION 24.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-71, relating to the definition of dangerous drug, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (b) to read as follows:

"(332.88) Epidiolex: A drug product in finished dosage formulation in its original container that has been approved by and labeled in compliance with the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that contains cannabidiol (CBD) derived from cannabis and contains no more than 0.1 percent (w/w) residual tetrahydrocannabinols;"

*By striking* "**SECTION 28.**" *on line 761 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 25.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 29.**" *on line 765 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 26.**"

Senator Cowsert of the 46th filed the following amendment #3:

*Amend the House substitute to SB 195 (LC 44 1755S) by striking lines 1 through 14 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

To amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and

offenses, so as to update and revise provisions relating to access to medical cannabis; to revise definitions; to provide for review of new treatment and delivery methods; to repeal a provision relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications; to revise provisions relating to dispensing; to provide for the issuance of dispensing licenses to independent pharmacies and production licensees; to provide for recommendations and input from the oversight committee; to provide for coordination with the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to provide for permits to colleges and universities within this state to conduct medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 production licensee; to move epidiolex from a Schedule V controlled substance to a dangerous drug; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for application; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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**SECTION 1.**

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*By striking lines 164 through 194 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

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~~(2)~~(3) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for retail outlets to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in

subsection (b) of this Code section.

(4) The commission shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license for other retail outlets operated by Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

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*By striking* "**SECTION 28.**" *on line 761 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 25.**"

*By striking* "**SECTION 29.**" *on line 765 and inserting in its place* "**SECTION 26.**"

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on SB 195 pursuant to Senate Rule 1-4.4. The consent was granted, and Senator Robertson was excused.

Senator Brass of the 28th moved to disagree to the House substitute to SB 195.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th moved to agree to the House substitute to SB 195 as amended by amendments #2 and #2A, which took precedence.

On the adoption of the amendment #2A, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |

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| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| N Burke | N Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment #2A, the yeas were 8, nays 41, and the amendment #2A to amendment #2 to the House substitute was lost.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th moved to agree to the House substitute to SB 195. The President ruled the motion out of order as the motion to agree as amended was still before the Senate.

On the motion to agree to the House substitute to SB 195 as amended by amendment #2, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| N Burke | N Jackson, K. | E Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| N Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | N Lucas | N Walker |
| N Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 3, nays 47; the motion lost, and the Senate did not agree to the House substitute to SB 195 as amended by the Senate.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the Senate disagree to the House substitute to SB 195.

The consent was granted, and the Senate disagreed to the House substitute to SB 195.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 115. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding drivers' licenses, so as to provide for an instructional course or presentation educating drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; to provide for duties by the Department of Driver Services and the Department of Public Safety; to provide for instructional content; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 488. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, Leverett of the 33rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for the calculation of future increases in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for other magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for clerks of magistrate courts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has disagreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 449. By Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Parsons of the 44th, Burns of the 159th and Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

At 3:58 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 4:45 p.m.

At 5:02 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 43. By Representatives Cantrell of the 22nd, Jones of the 47th, Nix of the 69th, Martin of the 49th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 40-2-26 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to form and contents of application for registration, heavy vehicle tax, and satisfactory proof of insurance, so as to require motor vehicle registration application forms to include optional information regarding certain conditions which may interfere with a registrant's ability to communicate; to provide for the sharing of such information with law enforcement upon a vehicle tag inquiry; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 94. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, England of the 116th, Reeves of the 34th, Mathiak of the 73rd, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to theft, so as to provide for the crime of theft by possession of stolen mail; to provide for the crime of porch piracy; to provide for definitions; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has disagreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 68. By Representatives Clark of the 147th, Bonner of the 72nd, Belton of the 112th, Blackmon of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 43-14-15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to certain military certifications that entitle persons to obtain certain professional licenses, so as to extend the time a member of the military has to qualify for the issuance of a license or certification as an electrical contractor, plumber, conditioned air contractor, low-voltage contractor, or utility contractor using his or her military specialty or certification; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 98. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Blackmon of the 146th, Fleming of the 121st, Oliver of the 82nd, Williamson of the 115th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to state government, so as to provide conditions for meetings and public hearings to be held by teleconference in emergency conditions; to provide conditions for certain agency members to participate in nonemergency meetings by teleconference; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 141. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Jones of the 47th, Wiedower of the 119th, Reeves of the 34th and Werkheiser of the 157th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 15 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to victim compensation, so as to provide for requirements for awards made from the Georgia Crime Victims Emergency Fund to medical service providers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 153. By Representatives Wiedower of the 119th, Gaines of the 117th, Crowe of the 110th, Barton of the 5th, Anderson of the 10th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," so as to provide for requirements for solicitations of services for corporate filings required by the Secretary of State; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 154. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Oliver of the 82nd, Rich of the 97th, Wiedower of the 119th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to domestic relations, so as to strengthen, clarify, and update provisions relating to the protection of children, including foster children and adopted children; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 207. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Ridley of the 6th, Barton of the 5th, Watson of the 172nd and Rhodes of the 120th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for electronic submission of certain documentation required of

manufacturers, distributors, dealers, secondary metals recyclers, used motor vehicle parts dealers, and scrap metal processors by the Department of Revenue; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 286. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Kelley of the 16th, Dempsey of the 13th, Wiedower of the 119th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county police, so as to restrict the ability of county governing authorities to reduce funding for county police departments; to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to municipal corporations, so as to restrict the ability of municipal or consolidated government governing authorities to reduce funding for municipal police departments; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th introduced the doctor of the day, Dr. Thomas Hatchett, M.D.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that HB 498, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 498, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 498. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, LaHood of the 175th, England of the 116th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to expand an exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities; to add dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Walker III of the 20th.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 498:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 48-8-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to exemptions from sales and use tax, so as to exempt certain sales of mechanically propelled watercraft by a dealer licensed under this article to an individual who resides outside of this state under certain conditions; to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to expand an exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities; to add dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Code Section 48-8-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to exemptions from sales and use tax, is amended by revising paragraph (33.1) as follows:

"(33.1) Sales of mechanically propelled watercraft by a dealer licensed under this article to an individual who resides outside of this state, provided that:

(A) Such watercraft is to be taken immediately by such individual outside of this state and used exclusively outside of this state; and

(B) The purchaser provides documentation of his or her residency to the dealer on a form to be prescribed by the commissioner, which shall be filed with the commissioner together with a copy of the bill of sale ~~Reserved~~;"

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, is amended by revising Code Section 48-5-41.1, relating to exemption of qualified farm products and harvested agricultural products from taxation, as follows:

"48-5-41.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Agricultural equipment' means farm tractors, combines, and all other farm equipment other than motor vehicles, whether fixed or mobile, which are owned by or held under a lease-purchase agreement and directly used in the production of farm products by a family owned qualified farm products producer.

(2) 'Family owned farm entity' means an entity that has derived 80 percent or more of its gross income from bona fide agricultural uses within this state within the year immediately preceding the year in which the exemption provided by this Code section is sought and that is organized as:

(A) A ~~a~~ family corporation, a family partnership, a family general partnership, a family limited partnership, a family limited corporation, or a family limited liability company all of the interest of which is owned by one or more natural or naturalized citizens related to each other within the fourth degree of civil reckoning~~.~~;

(B) An entity created by the merger or consolidation of two or more entities that would qualify independently as a family owned farm entity as defined in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph;

(C) An ~~It shall include an~~ estate of which the devisees or heirs are one or more natural or naturalized citizens related to each other within the fourth degree of civil reckoning~~.~~; or

(D) A ~~It shall include a~~ trust of which the beneficiaries are one or more natural or naturalized citizens related to each other within the fourth degree of civil reckoning. ~~Such family owned farm entity must have derived 80 percent or more of its gross income from bona fide agricultural uses within this state within the year immediately preceding the year in which the exemption provided by this Code section is sought.~~

(3) 'Family owned qualified farm products producer' means an individual or family owned farm entity primarily engaged in the direct cultivation of the soil, including soil removed from the land and placed in pots or containers, or operation of land for the production of qualified farm products. A family owned qualified farm products producer shall not include wholesalers, distributors, storage facility owners, manufacturers, processors, or other similar entities that primarily prepare qualified farm products for any intermediate or final market or that primarily operate to move or facilitate the movement of qualified farm products from a producer to any intermediate or final markets.

(4) 'Farm products' means only those farm products eligible to qualify for exemption from ad valorem taxation pursuant to the former provisions of paragraph (10) of subsection (a) of Code Section 48-5-41 as it existed prior to January 1, 1999.

(5) 'Harvested agricultural products' means only those harvested agricultural products eligible to qualify for exemption from ad valorem taxation pursuant to the former provisions of paragraph (10) of subsection (a) of Code Section 48-5-41 as it existed prior to January 1, 1999.

(6) 'Initial production' means:

(A) When applied to a laying hen, a period beginning at the time the laying hen comes into production at age six months rather than a period beginning when the laying hen is hatched; or

(B) When applied to a brood cow, a period of nine months from the time the brood cow is able to conceive at age 12 months rather than a period beginning when the brood cow is born.

(7) 'Lease-purchase agreement' means a financing agreement under which lessee

payments are credited toward the purchase of agricultural equipment or that provides for a fixed amount purchase option to a lessee during the lease term. Under a lease-purchase agreement the title of ownership may remain with the lessor during the lease.

(8) 'Producer' means any entity that produces farm products.

(9) 'Qualified farm products' means livestock; dairy products; unfertilized eggs of poultry; crops; fruit or ~~nut bearing~~ nut-bearing trees, bushes, or plants; annual and perennial plants; Christmas trees; and plants and trees grown in nurseries for transplantation elsewhere. Qualified farm products shall not include standing timber.

(b) The following property shall be exempt from all ad valorem property taxes in this state:

(1) All farm products grown in this state and remaining in the hands of the producer during the one year beginning immediately after their initial production;

(2) Harvested agricultural products which have a planting-to-harvest cycle of 12 months or less, which are customarily cured or aged for a period in excess of one year after harvesting and before manufacturing, and which are held in this state for manufacturing and processing purposes;

(3) All qualified farm products grown in this state:

(A) Remaining in the hands of a family owned qualified farm products producer;

(B) Still in their natural and unprocessed condition, unless processed solely for further use in the production of other qualified farm products; and

(C) Not held for direct retail sale by someone other than the original family owned qualified farm products producer; and

(4) Agricultural equipment."

**SECTION 2-2.**

The Secretary of State shall call and conduct an election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting Part II of this Act to the electors of the entire state for approval or rejection. The Secretary of State shall conduct such election on the Tuesday next following the first Monday in November, 2022, and shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided by general law. The Secretary of State shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of each county in the state. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"( ) YES Shall the Act be approved which expands a state-wide exemption from ad
( ) NO valorem taxes for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities, and which adds dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the Act, Part II of this Act shall become of full force and effect on January 1, 2023, and shall be applicable to all tax years beginning on

or after such date. If the Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted as provided in this section, Part II of this Act shall not become effective, and Part II of this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following that election date. It shall be the duty of each county election superintendent to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Except as otherwise provided in Part II of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3-2.**

In accordance with the requirements of Article VII, Section II, Paragraph II(a)(1) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Part II of this Act shall not become law unless it receives the requisite two-thirds' majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

**SECTION 3-3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
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| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

HB 498, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dixon of the 45th asked unanimous consent that HR 144, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HR 144, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HR 144. By Representative Williams of the 145th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Katie Poff and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Dixon of the 45th.

The Senate Committee on Transportation offered the following substitute to HR 144:

A RESOLUTION

To dedicate certain portions of the state highway system; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

**PART I**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Ms. Kathryn Poff; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Poff was a highly respected educator at Creekside Elementary School, dedicating her time, talents, and energy to challenging and inspiring the future leaders of this state as a music teacher; and

WHEREAS, she gave inspiration to many through her high ideals, morals, and deep concern for others, and the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated to her students were admired by others; and

WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable

reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example she made of her life, she made this world a better place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in her memory.

**PART II**

WHEREAS, Mrs. Judy Hill Loftin has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that she has played in education and her deep personal commitment to inspiring and shaping the young minds of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the great-great-granddaughter of local historical figure Mr. Carter Hill, Mrs. Loftin was born and raised on a homestead on Punkin Junction Road and attended Barrow County schools; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Loftin diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time, talents, and energy challenging and inspiring the future leaders of this state as an educator with the Barrow County School System for 30 years; and

WHEREAS, she served as guidance counselor at Winder Barrow Middle School, Winder Barrow High School, and Bramblett Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, a licensed professional counselor, Mrs. Loftin was a member of the American School Counselors Association and the Georgia School Counselors Association; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Loftin's commitment to education was recognized with numerous honors and accolades, including Middle School Counselor of the Year for District Nine and Middle School Counselor of the Year for the State of Georgia in 2003; and

WHEREAS, she was an active member of Alpha Delta Kappa, National Association of Educators, Georgia Association of Educators, the Pilot Club of Winder and the Winder Women's Club, and Barrow Regional Medical Center Auxiliary and served as trustee for the Barrow County Historical Society and as a Barrow County Museum docent; and

WHEREAS, a woman of deep and abiding faith, Mrs. Loftin was a 35 year member of the Winder First United Methodist Church where she led the children's choir, taught fifth grade Sunday school, and contributed to the women's circles of the church; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an interchange in her memory.

**PART III**

WHEREAS, Mr. Cecil Mathews was known in Ellijay, Georgia, for his innovation and entrepreneurial spirit; and

WHEREAS, the son of parents with deep roots in Gilmer County, Mr. Mathews' wife, Margaret, was a grocer, providing the local community with quality food and friendly service; and

WHEREAS, he was passionate about fly fishing; an activity made even more enjoyable by the abundance and beauty of the county's natural landscape and the majesty of Turniptown Creek; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mathews was in the lumber business his entire life, establishing his Ellijay sawmill in October of 1965 after operating other lumber businesses in the area for 15 years; and

WHEREAS, on March 15, 1966, he completed a total electrification of the business, which allowed for streamlining of production and an increase in lumber supply used in the manufacture of furniture and flooring; and

WHEREAS, an innovative feat for its day, the electrification of Mathews' sawmill enabled him to saw over 15,000 feet of lumber per day, with only the grading completed by hand; and

WHEREAS, his foresight contributed to the modernization of the lumber industry and attracted numerous other businesses to the Gilmer County area; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his honor.

**PART IV**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia continues to mourn the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Mayor Jimmy Wilbanks on January 3, 2019; and

WHEREAS, a native of Dacula, Georgia, Mayor Wilbanks was a graduate of the Gwinnett County Public School System and the University of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Wilbanks was first elected to serve the citizens of Dacula in 1971, ably and adeptly serving for eight years; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and vision were called upon again in 2002 when he was re-elected as the mayor of Dacula, and he was serving his third term at the time of his

passing; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Wilbanks served as president of the Gwinnett Municipal Association in 2007 and served as a member of the organization's Legislative Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Wilbanks also served the people of this state through his employment with the Georgia Emergency Management Agency Disaster Relief for more than 20 years; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Mayor Wilbanks was an active member and leader at Hebron Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

**PART V**

WHEREAS, Mrs. Dennette Odum Jackson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that she played in leadership and her deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Jackson made history as the first African American councilwoman for the City of Milledgeville with her election in 1992, a position she held for 12 years; and

WHEREAS, she diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of her time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of her community and state as evidenced dramatically by her 42 years of superlative service at Central State Hospital; and

WHEREAS, her significant organizational and leadership talents were invaluable to numerous organizations such as the Georgia Association of Black Elected Officials, Oconee Community Service Board, AARP, Georgia War Veterans Home Advisory Council, Georgia American Legion Auxiliary, and the Baldwin County Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, her remarkable patience and diplomacy, her keen sense of vision, and her sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of this state earned her the respect and admiration of her colleagues and associates; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in her honor.

**PART VI**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law enforcement officers with the untimely passing of Probate Judge Jon Payne on August

18, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Judge Payne was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to justice; and

WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as a probate judge in Chattooga County for 45 years, winning a special election to fill the office of probate judge in 1975 at just 25 years old; and

WHEREAS, prior to his passing, he oversaw the county's primary election with a smooth transition to the state's new voting machines; and

WHEREAS, Judge Payne exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties; and

WHEREAS, he will long be remembered for his commitment to the integrity of democracy and the safeguarding of this state's elections; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART VII**

WHEREAS, Dr. Charles Frazier Stanley has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for his leadership within First Baptist Church of Atlanta, and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of all Georgians; and

WHEREAS, he has passionately devoted his entire life to bettering his community and state through ministry, as evidenced by his 51 year tenure as senior pastor of First Baptist Church of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Stanley was born and raised in Dry Fork, Virginia, and was called to ministry at a young age; and

WHEREAS, after receiving a bachelor's degree from the University of Richmond, Dr. Stanley went on to pursue a Master of Divinity from the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, and Master of Theology and Doctor of Theology degrees from Luther Rice Seminary; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Stanley joined First Baptist Church of Atlanta in 1969 and was promoted to senior pastor in 1971, after which he grew the church into a global television and radio ministry, which is now known as In Touch Ministries; and

WHEREAS, In Touch Ministries has thrived under Dr. Stanley's leadership, as demonstrated by its translation into over 100 languages, availability on 204 satellite networks, and its audience of listeners on over 450 radio stations; and

WHEREAS, in addition to authoring more than 60 books, Dr. Stanley has also achieved the status of *New York Times* best-selling author; and

WHEREAS, he served two terms from 1984 to 1986 as president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and is a 1988 inductee into the National Religious Broadcasters Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Stanley is father to Becky Stanley, and to Andy Stanley, who serves as the pastor of North Point Community Church in Alpharetta; and

WHEREAS, in September, 2020, Dr. Stanley announced his transition to pastor emeritus of First Baptist Church of Atlanta after more than 50 years of service and dedication to the gospel; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

**PART VIII**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens and most dedicated law enforcement officers with the untimely passing of Sheriff Philip Street on November 27, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Philip Street was highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state and by local government officials as a person of unquestioned integrity and dedication to the sound principles of law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as Dade County sheriff from 1984 to 2004, longer than any sheriff in that county; and

WHEREAS, under his leadership as sheriff, his department received national recognition for "Operation Sand Storm," which resulted in the arrests and convictions of drug traffickers from Texas to Georgia; and

WHEREAS, even after his service as sheriff ended, Sheriff Street's dedication to public service and criminal justice was evident in his service as a supervisor and captain of the Walker County Jail; and

WHEREAS, Sheriff Street exhibited extraordinary devotion to public service, outstanding loyalty, fine leadership, and meticulous attention to detail in all of his duties; and

WHEREAS, he will long be remembered for his inspiring commitment to the welfare of others, which stands as a shining example of the positive effect law enforcement professionals have on the lives and well-being of others; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART IX**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Mr. Charles R. Lusk; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Rossville High School in Walker County, Mr. Lusk diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state; and

WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as president and CEO of both Fort Oglethorpe State Bank and Rossville Bank; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and organizational talents were recognized with numerous awards and accolades, including a Lifetime Service Award from the Community Bankers Association of Georgia and Outstanding Chamber Member Award from the Walker County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lusk was an active board member of the Community Bankers Association of Georgia, Independent Bankers Association of America, Walker and Catoosa County Chamber of Commerce, and Greater Chattanooga Christian Services and Children's Home; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART X**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Mullis was born on July 12, 1920, the beloved son of Henry and Georgia Walker Mullis; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Gordon Lee Memorial High School in Walker County, Sergeant Mullis served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty in the United States Armed Forces, valiantly and courageously protecting democratic ideals during World War II and the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, during his military career, Sergeant Mullis was recognized with a Purple Heart and two Bronze Stars with Oak Leaf Clusters for valor; and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Mullis survived the Normandy Invasion and the Battle of the Bulge and served as the first walking postman for the City of Chickamauga; and

WHEREAS, a proud and loyal Gordon Lee Memorial trojan, Sergeant Mullis served as the school's correspondent for athletics programs to the *Chattanooga Times* and the *Atlanta Journal*, served as secretary and historian for the school's alumni association, and operated the scoreboard at home basketball games for over 53 years; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and organizational talents were instrumental to numerous organizations, including the American Legion Post 271, Older American Center, and Osburn School Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Sergeant was an active member and deacon at the First Baptist Church in Chickamauga and was a devoted husband to Doris Avery Greene Mullis and father to Lorie Gene Mullis, Senator Jeff Mullis, and Jerry Mullis; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART XI**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest citizens with the passing of Mr. Henry "Hank" Louis Aaron, Atlanta Braves legend and baseball's homerun king, who passed away on January 22, 2021, at the age of 86; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron was born in Mobile, Alabama, on February 5, 1934, the third of Herbert and Estella Aaron's eight children; and

WHEREAS, a Hall of Famer, Atlanta's first professional sports star, and, in a soft-spoken way, an agent of change in the post-Jim Crow South, Mr. Aaron came to embody Atlanta as he embodied the Braves; and

WHEREAS, nicknamed Hammerin' Hank, Mr. Aaron's record of 755 home runs hardly does justice to his extraordinary career, for he retired with 23 major league records; and

WHEREAS, he was the all-time RBI leader with 2,297, racked up the most extra-base hits with 1,477, and finished in the top three for at-bats with 12,364, runs with 2,174 (tied with Babe Ruth), games with 3,298, and hits with 3,771; and

WHEREAS, he averaged only 63 strikeouts per season and retired with a career .305 batting average; and

WHEREAS, a 20-time All-Star and a three-time Gold Glove winner, Mr. Aaron won the 1957 National League Most Valuable Player award and was rushed to Cooperstown on the first-ballot in 1982; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Aaron lived in Atlanta, Georgia, where he was considered one of the city's most successful entrepreneurs, owning several car dealerships and Krispy Kreme doughnut franchises; and

WHEREAS, throughout his business career, Mr. Aaron held to his philosophy to help other African Americans succeed; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife Billye; their children Gaile, Hank, Jr., Lary, Dorinda, and Ceci; and his grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his memory.

**PART XII**

WHEREAS, Pastor Billy Edmondson has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for his leadership within Sutallee Baptist Church and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of all Georgians; and

WHEREAS, he has passionately devoted his entire life to bettering his community and state through ministry, as evidenced by his 30 year tenure as senior pastor of Sutallee Baptist Church in White, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, since Pastor Edmondson joined the Sutallee staff in 1991, the church's congregation has grown from 15 members who were meeting in a basement of a building with a tin roof to more than 700 faithful congregants; and

WHEREAS, with deep roots in Canton, Georgia, Pastor Edmondson's grandfather worked at the Canton Mill at age 13 and Pastor Edmondson worked for a local railroad company while attending Reinhardt University and taking Bible classes offered by the Georgia Baptist Convention; and

WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Marine Corps, valiantly and courageously serving in the Vietnam war; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and vision have been instrumental to numerous organizations, including the Georgia Baptist Mission and the Academy at Double H Ranch; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

**PART XIII**

WHEREAS, Senator Fran Millar has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service as a member of the Georgia General Assembly for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure with the General Assembly, Senator Millar championed education, small business, and government accountability; and

WHEREAS, Senator Millar has served with honor and distinction with the Georgia General Assembly, and his vision and unyielding commitment to representing the residents of his district and educating the youth of this state have set the standard for public service; and

WHEREAS, this dedicated public servant was instrumental in the creation of the City of Dunwoody; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized by dedicating a road in his honor.

**PART XIV**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Mark Prevatt served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Marine Corps and made the ultimate sacrifice on October 23, 1983, when he was killed in a terrorist attack upon the Marine barracks in Beruit; and

WHEREAS, a native of Columbus, Georgia, Corporal Prevatt demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, his selfless service to this nation and unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States will long be remembered and appreciated; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Prevatt embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his

memory.

**PART XV**

WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens with the passing of Mr. J.A. "Big Jim" Walters on February 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of East Mecklinburg High School, Mr. Walters attended North Carolina State University and was a man with an unparalleled sense of duty to his community and to his country; and

WHEREAS, he served with honor and distinction as president of the James A. Walters Management Company, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Walters diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced by his support of the YMCA; and

WHEREAS, his contributions and leadership were recognized by the YMCA with the dedication of the J.A. Walter Family YMCA Center; and

WHEREAS, a lifetime supporter of Lanier Technical College, Mr. Walters presented a $1 million gift to assist the school in opening a new campus location; and

WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he made this world a better place in which to live; and

WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mr. Walters will long be remembered for his love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, brother, grandfather, and friend will be missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART XVI**

WHEREAS, Dr. Austin Flint has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Flint has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service as a member of the board of trustees of Reinhardt University; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Flint and his wife, Bea, have owned a farm in Waleska since 1969; and

WHEREAS, in the fall 2017 and spring 2018, the Flints established a chestnut orchard on their Waleska farm, and Dr. Flint has since arranged an agreement between the American Chestnut Foundation and Reinhardt University to involve Reinhardt students in maintaining the orchard; and

WHEREAS, the orchard now has over 1,500 chestnut trees which are being studied by Dr. Zach Felix, associate professor of biology at Reinhardt University; Dr. Martin Cipollini, professor of biology at Berry College; and the American Chestnut Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the collaborative research project serves not only as a great opportunity for students but as a new future for the American chestnut; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

**PART XVII**

WHEREAS, Mr. Jerry Shearin has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of the citizens of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time, talents, and energy toward the betterment of his community and state as evidenced dramatically by his superlative service as a member of the State Transportation Board representing District 14 and as Chairman of the Paulding County Board of Commissioners from 2001 to 2008; and

WHEREAS, a native of Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Shearin graduated from Miami Palmetto Senior High School and Auburn University; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Shearin is an entrepreneurial leader in Dallas, Georgia, as an owner-operator of McAdams Insurance Agency, Shearinco Enterprises, Inc., and Shearin Properties, LLC; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a road in his honor.

**PART XVIII**

WHEREAS, Mr. David Morris Anderson, Sr., was born on September 6, 1935, in Armour, South Dakota, the beloved son of Kuipers Francis Anderson and Barbara Jeanette Dalton Anderson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Anderson grew up in Coral Gables, Florida, graduated from Coral Gables High School, and attended the University of Florida where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi fraternity; and

WHEREAS, after two years as a Florida Gator, Mr. Anderson was offered a scholarship to play basketball at Piedmont College in Demorest, Georgia, where he completed his bachelor's degree; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Anderson taught chemistry and biology at North Hall High School before earning a Master's in Divinity degree from Columbia Theological Seminary; and

WHEREAS, he worked as a life insurance agent, serving as president of Life Leaders of Georgia, qualifying many times for the Million Dollar Roundtable, and was the leading agent for several different insurance companies; and

WHEREAS, his greatest and proudest accomplishment was the creation of *Mexico Lindo* newspaper, the community's only bilingual newspaper for the Spanish-speaking community, which he co-founded with his beautiful and loving wife, Haydee, in 1990, and published for 22 years until his passing; and

WHEREAS, in 2003, the newspaper received the Georgia School Boards Association 2003 Beacon Award, which recognizes news media organizations whose coverage over time has created understanding of public education issues by informing the general public about programs, policies, and issues affecting the public schools, students, and communities; and

WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating a bridge in his memory.

**PART XIX**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Navy Lieutenant Commander Hugh Lester Campbell served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United States Navy and served on the *U.S.S. Arizona* and *U.S.S. Sumner* and commanded three ships during World War II; and

WHEREAS, a native of La Fayette, Georgia, Lieutenant Commander Campbell demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice his own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of his fellow man; and

WHEREAS, he was serving as a boatswain's captain on the *U.S.S. Sumner* during the attack

on Pearl Harbor, where he was able to shoot down the first Japanese attacking plane that was on a torpedo run for the battleship *U.S.S. California*; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Commander Campbell was awarded the Purple Heart for his actions during the attack on Pearl Harbor and continued to serve in the Navy until 1957, devoting 24 years of service to this nation; and

WHEREAS, he returned to Walker County to serve as the county surveyor for many years until his passing in 1993; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Commander Campbell embodied the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than himself, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that this remarkable and distinguished Georgian be recognized appropriately by dedicating an intersection in his memory.

**PART XX**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, United States military veterans have demonstrated a deep personal commitment to protecting democracy and a willingness to sacrifice their own personal safety and comfort to ensure the well-being of their fellow man; and

WHEREAS, they have served as guardians of this nation's freedom and liberty and have diligently and conscientiously undergone intensive and rigorous training in order to serve their country with honor and distinction during times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, it is important that veterans are thanked for their selfless service to this nation and honored for their unyielding commitment to protecting the people and ideals of the United States; and

WHEREAS, veterans embody the spirit of service, willing to find meaning in something greater than themselves, and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments and sacrifices of these remarkable and distinguished Americans be honored appropriately.

**PART XXI**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the intersection at State Route 49 and Blandy Road in Baldwin County is dedicated as the Kathryn Poff Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the interchange at SR81 and

SR316/US29 in Barrow County is dedicated as the Judy Hill Loftin, LPC Memorial Interchange.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 515 at Turniptown Creek in Gilmer County is dedicated as the Cecil Mathews Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 8 from the Gwinnett/Barrow County line to Cedars Road in Gwinnett County is dedicated as the Jimmy Wilbanks Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 22 adjacent to 603 West Montgomery Street in Baldwin County is dedicated as the Dennette Odum Jackson Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at US 27 and Washington Street in Chattooga County is dedicated as the Probate Judge Jon Payne Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 285 from 1/2 mile east and 1/2 mile west of the North Peachtree Road Interchange in DeKalb County is dedicated as the Dr. Charles F. Stanley Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at SR 299 and US 11 in Dade County is dedicated as the Sheriff Philip Street Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at Chickamauga Avenue and Spring Street in Walker County is dedicated as the Charles R. Lusk Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection at U.S. 27 and Osburn Road in Walker County is dedicated as the Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 154 from Polaris Way SW to Interstate 285 in Fulton County is dedicated as the Henry "Hank" Louis Aaron Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 20 from 1/2 mile west to 1/2 mile east of Sutallee Baptist Church in Cherokee County is dedicated as the Pastor Billy Edmondson Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of Interstate 285 from Exit 30 in DeKalb County to the Fulton County line is dedicated as the Senator Fran Millar

Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 80 over Baker Creek at the Talbot/Muscogee County line is dedicated as the Corporal Mark Prevatt Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of State Route 365 and Lanier Tech Drive in Hall County is dedicated as the J.A. "Big Jim" Walters Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 108 from 1/2 mile to the east and west of Pleasant Arbor Road in Cherokee County is dedicated as the Dr. Austin Flint Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 61 from south of East Memorial Drive to the Bartow County line in Paulding County is dedicated as the Chairman Jerry Shearin Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the bridge on State Route 13 over Flat Creek in Hall County is dedicated as the Dave Anderson Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the intersection of U.S. 27 and Round Pond Road in Walker County is dedicated as the Navy Lieutenant Commander Hugh Lester Campbell Memorial Intersection.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 20 from 1/2 mile East and West of the Georgia National Cemetery in Cherokee County as the Veterans Memorial Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized and directed to make appropriate copies of this resolution available for distribution to the Department of Transportation; to the families of Ms. Kathryn Poff, Mrs. Judy Hill Loftin, Mr. Cecil Mathews, Mayor Jimmy Wilbanks, Mrs. Dennette Odum Jackson, Probate Judge Jon Payne, Sheriff Philip Street, Mr. Charles R. Lusk, Sergeant Henry "Gene" Mullis, Mr. Henry "Hank" Louis Aaron, Corporal Mark Prevatt, Mr. J.A. "Big Jim" Walters, Navy Lieutenant Commander Hugh Lester Campbell, and Mr. David Morris Anderson, Sr.; and to Dr. Charles Frazier Stanley, Pastor Billy Edmondson, Senator Fran Millar, Dr. Austin Flint, and Chairman Jerry Shearin.

**PART XXII.**

This Resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Senators Anavitarte of the 31st and Ginn of the 47th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the Senate Transportation Committee substitute to HR 144 (LC 39 3057S) by replacing lines 466 through 468 with the following:*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ENACTED that the portion of State Route 61 from north of Old Cartersville Road in Paulding County to the Bartow County line is dedicated as the Chairman Jerry Shearin Highway.

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Anavitarte amendment #1 to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 49, nays 0.

HR 144, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 282. By Representatives Meeks of the 178th, England of the 116th, Hatchett of the 150th, Watson of the 172nd and Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 13 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ad valorem taxation of qualified timberland property, so as to add a definition; to limit the determination of fair market value to a weighted market and income approach to valuation; to revise certain requirements for certification of qualified timberland property; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 287. By Representatives Rich of the 97th, Jasperse of the 11th, Newton of the 123rd, Belton of the 112th, Camp of the 131st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to competencies and core curriculum, so as to include tobacco and vapor products in the course of instruction regarding alcohol and drugs required each year for all students in grades kindergarten through 12; to revise implementation dates; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 635. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Wilensky of the 79th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to courts, so as to provide that each judge of the superior court, state court, and probate court and each magistrate shall have authority to perform any lawful judicial act regardless of where he or she is physically located at the time of such act; to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to provide for the issuance of arrest warrants by a judge regardless of where such judge is physically located; to revise standards for holding a court

of inquiry; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding superior courts, so as to revise when superior courts are authorized to use alternative locations; to provide for criteria; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendments to the following Bills of the House:

HB 128. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Jackson of the 128th, Mathis of the 144th, McDonald of the 26th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 1 of Title 31 of the O.C.G.A., relating to general provisions regarding health, so as to prohibit providers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to amend Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the O.C.G.A., relating to insurance generally, so as to prohibit health insurers from discriminating against potential organ transplant recipients due solely to the physical or mental disability of the potential recipient; to provide for definitions; to provide for health benefit plans and collective bargaining; to provide for applicability; to provide for a short title; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 479. By Representatives Reeves of the 34th, Hogan of the 179th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Frazier of the 126th, DeLoach of the 167th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 17 of the O.C.G.A., relating to criminal procedure, so as to revise certain arrest powers; to provide for arrests by a law enforcement officer outside of the jurisdiction of his or her employing law enforcement agency under certain circumstances; to revise the grounds for arrest by a private person; to repeal in its entirety Article 4 of Chapter 4, relating to arrest by private persons; to amend Article 5 of Chapter 2 of Title 35 of the O.C.G.A., relating to motor carrier compliance division; to amend Chapter 38 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to operators of private detective businesses and private security businesses; to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 51 of the O.C.G.A., relating to detention or arrest on suspicion of shoplifting or film piracy; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Harbin of the 16th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 4.2-9 to allow HB 303 to be removed from the General Calendar and made in order for third reading and consideration by the Senate. The consent was granted.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

HB 303. By Representative Glanton of the 75th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to permit motor vehicle insurance companies to offer a reduction in premium to qualified active duty military service members for motor vehicle insurance policies; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Harbison of the 15th.

The Senate Committee on Insurance and Labor offered the following substitute to HB 303:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, so as to permit motor vehicle insurance companies to offer a reduction in premium to qualified active duty military service members for motor vehicle insurance policies; to amend Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, so as to require annual notification to policy owners and requested beneficiaries of the existence of such policies; to require insurers to review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance policy locator on an annual basis; to provide for reporting; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for a sunset provision for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

This Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Jaida Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance, is amended in Chapter 9, relating to regulation of rates, underwriting rules, and related organizations, by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-9-43.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Active duty military service member' means full-time duty status in the military of the United States, including members of the National Guard or reserve components of the armed forces on active duty orders.

(2) 'Proof of financial responsibility' means proof of ability to respond in damages for liability on account of accidents occurring subsequent to the effective date of said proof in the amounts specified in subparagraph (a)(1)(A) of Code Section 33-7-11.

(3) 'Resident' means any service member of the United States military stationed in Georgia or who lists Georgia as his or her home of record.

(b) For each personal or family-type policy of private passenger motor vehicle insurance issued, delivered, issued for delivery, or renewed on or after July 1, 2022, there may be offered by the insurer a reduction in the premium for motor vehicle liability, first-party medical, and collision coverage for each named driver, as listed on the policy application or provided in information subsequent to such application, of each motor vehicle covered by such policy, if that driver:

(1) Is an active duty military service member; and

(2) Is a driver whose use of the automobile is considered by the insurer in determining the applicable classification.

(c) Proof of meeting the requirements for the reduction provided by this Code section shall be provided annually to the insurer by the insured policyholder, if such proof is required by the insurer, upon such forms as the insurer may require. The premium reduction permitted by this Code section shall be approved by the Commissioner and reflected in the insurer's automobile rating plan."

**SECTION 3.**

Chapter 25 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to life insurance, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"33-25-14.1.

(a) Every insurer licensed to transact life insurance or annuity policies in this state shall provide an annual disclosure of the existence of such policy to the owner of such policy. Such disclosure shall be delivered in person or by depositing the notice in the United States Postal Service mails to be dispatched by at least first-class mail to the last address of record of the policy owner with such insurer receiving the receipt provided by the United States Postal Service or such other evidence of mailing as prescribed or accepted by the United States Postal Service.

(b) The initial annual disclosure shall be provided on or before the later of one year from the effective date of such policy or one year from the effective date of Section 3 of this Act.

(c) Every insurer described in subsection (a) of this Code section shall also provide such disclosure to each additional party as may be reasonably chosen by the policy owner to receive such notification, in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner.

(d) Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (c) of this Code section, no insurer shall be required to provide the disclosure described in such subsections unless such policy was paid up in full for the entirety of the preceding year.

(e) Every insurer described in subsection (a) of this Code section shall, on at least an annual basis, review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners life insurance

policy locator service for policyholder matches and retain reports from such searches until December 31, 2025. Such insurer shall notify the owner or beneficiary within 90 days of discovery of such policyholder match.

(f) Every insurer shall maintain such reports required under subsection (e) of this Code section and submit such reports to the department in accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Commissioner. This subsection shall stand repealed on December 31, 2025.

(g) The Commissioner is authorized to enforce this Code section and, in doing so, to exercise the powers granted to the Commissioner by Code Section 33-2-24 and any other provisions of this title."

**SECTION 4.**

Sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall become effective January 1, 2022. Section 3 of this Act shall become effective upon the Governor's approval of this Act or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that Senator Miller of the 49th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Miller was excused.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 303, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 4.2-9 to allow SR 300 to be removed from the General Calendar and made in order for third reading and consideration by the Senate. The consent was granted.

The following legislation was read the third time and put upon its passage:

SR 300. By Senators Harrell of the 40th and Mullis of the 53rd:

A RESOLUTION creating the Senate University Fees Study Committee; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the resolution, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the resolution, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

SR 300, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th moved that the following bill, having been placed on the Table on March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table:

HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

Senator Lucas of the 26th objected.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |

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| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 33, nays 18; the motion prevailed, and HB 575 was taken from the Table.

Pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 575, having been taken from the Table, was put upon its passage.

HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 575:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to joint county and municipal sales and use tax, so as to provide for the levy of the joint county and municipal sales and use tax by consolidated governments and use of proceeds of such tax; to provide for payments in lieu of taxes; to provide for sunset provisions and renewals; to provide for referenda; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to joint county and municipal sales and use tax, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-8-97.

(a) With respect to any consolidated government created by the consolidation of a county and one or more municipalities and where the tax authorized by this article is in effect,

the provisions of this Code section shall control over any conflicting provisions of Article 1 of this chapter or this article.

(b) In a special district containing a consolidated government referred to in subsection (a) of this Code section, the rate of tax imposed under this article may be increased from 1 percent to 2 percent if such increase is approved by:

(1) A resolution of the governing authority of the consolidated government in the same manner as otherwise required for the initial 1 percent sales tax pursuant to Code Section 48-8-84; and

(2) A referendum conducted in the same manner as otherwise required for the initial 1 percent sales tax pursuant to Code Section 48-8-85, except that the ballot shall have written or printed thereon the following:

'( ) YES Shall the retail sales and use tax levied within the special district within
( ) NO _____ County be increased from 1 percent to 2 percent?'

(c) Such increased tax rate shall become effective 60 days after the date of the election at which such increase was approved by the voters.

(d)(1) Any consolidated government that imposes the tax authorized by subsection (b) of this Code section shall:

(A) Only expend the proceeds of such tax in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection; and

(B) Annually reduce the millage rate for ad valorem taxation of tangible property within the consolidated government to the extent required by paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(2)(A) As a condition precedent for authority to levy the tax or to collect any proceeds from the tax authorized by this article for the year following the initial year in which it is levied, the consolidated government whose geographical boundary is conterminous with that of the special district and each qualified municipality therein receiving any proceeds of the tax shall reduce the millage rate for ad valorem taxation of tangible property within such political subdivisions by five mills.

(B) For all subsequent years, the consolidated government whose geographical boundary is conterminous with that of the special district and each qualified municipality therein receiving any proceeds of the tax shall adjust annually the millage rate for ad valorem taxation of tangible property within such political subdivisions as provided in this subsection. The governing authority shall compute the millage rate necessary to produce revenue from taxation of tangible property in its respective political subdivision which, when combined with other revenues reasonably expected to be received by the political subdivision during the year, other than revenues derived from the tax imposed pursuant to this article, would provide revenues sufficient to defray the expenses of the political subdivision for the year. The millage rate so ascertained shall then be reduced by the number of mills per dollar which, if levied against the tangible property within the political subdivision, would produce an amount equal to the distribution of the proceeds of the tax imposed by this article which were received by the political subdivision during the preceding year.

(e) The tax increase authorized by subsection (b) of this Code section shall cease to be imposed on the earlier of:

(1) The final day of the fifth calendar year following the year in which the increased tax rate became effective and levied; or

(2) As provided for in subsections (g) and (f) of this Code section.

(f)(1) Such increased tax rate may be decreased from 2 percent to 1 percent if such decrease is approved by:

(A) A resolution of the governing authority of the consolidated government in the same manner as otherwise required under Code Section 48-8-92; and

(B) A referendum conducted in the same manner as otherwise required for discontinuation of the tax under Code Section 48-8-92, except that the ballot shall have written or printed thereon the following:

'( ) YES Shall the retail sales and use tax levied within the special district within
( ) NO _____ County be decreased from 2 percent to 1 percent?'

(2) Such decreased tax rate as provided for in this subsection shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter following the month in which the commissioner receives certification of the result of the election.

(g)(1) Between 365 and 180 days prior to the expiration of the tax increase authorized by this Code section pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of this Code section, or prior to any renewal of the tax increase pursuant to this subsection, the governing authority of the consolidated government may elect to renew the term of the increased tax rate another five years if such renewal is approved by:

(A) A resolution of the governing authority of the consolidated government in the same manner as otherwise required under Code Section 48-8-92; and

(B) A referendum conducted in the same manner as otherwise required for discontinuation of the tax under Code Section 48-8-92, except that the ballot shall have written or printed thereon the following:

'( ) YES Shall the retail sales and use tax levied within the special district within
( ) NO _____ County be renewed at 2 percent?'

(2) If a term for the increased tax rate is approved and renewed, this renewed term for the increased tax rate shall become effective the first day of the calendar year following the expiration of the previous increased tax rate term as described in paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of this Code section.

(3) Any renewed term for the increased tax rate is subject to the condition precedent as described in paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of this Code section, provided that the proceeds of such tax shall be expended in accordance with the provisions of subparagraph (d)(2)(B) of this Code section during the entirety of any subsequent renewed terms.

(h) In all respects not otherwise provided for in this Code section, the levy of a tax under this article by a consolidated government referred to in subsection (a) of this Code section shall be in the same manner as the levy of the tax by any other county.

(i) If any tax authorized under this article is to be newly imposed in the county whose

geographical boundary is conterminous with that of the special district containing a consolidated government, for any rental, lease, or other agreement related to property in the special district that is in effect at the time of levy of such tax, or may be entered into subsequently, which utilizes the millage rate of any such political subdivision or the consolidated government in calculating payments in lieu of taxes payable by the tenant, lessee, or occupant, no reduction as set forth in subsection (d) of this Code section in the millage rate for ad valorem taxes of any political subdivision or consolidated government resulting from the tax authorized under this article shall apply to such agreements, unless the parties thereto specifically have provided that the effects of the tax to be imposed under this article be included in said calculations."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Lucas of the 26th offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 575 (LC 44 1754S) by striking lines 37 through 42 renumbering according

The President noted that HB 575 was engrossed on March 29, 2021, and therefore ruled that the amendment was not in order.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |

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| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 29, nays 23.

HB 575, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 124. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd and McDonald of the 26th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 18 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to funeral directors and establishments, embalmers, and crematories, so as to provide for multiple cremation devices; to provide for a definition; to provide for conforming amendments; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to provide for rules and regulations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 231. By Representatives Gaines of the 117th, Ballinger of the 23rd, Nguyen of the 89th, Wiedower of the 119th, Frye of the 118th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 5 of Title 16 and Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to stalking and granting of relief by superior courts, respectively, so as to expand the applicability of protective orders involving victims of stalking; to revise the definition of family violence to include certain acts between persons through whom a past or present pregnancy has developed or persons in a past or present dating relationship for the granting of protective orders and other relief; to provide for definitions; to require the court to make certain findings prior to granting protective orders alleging

dating relationships; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 245. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Gaines of the 117th, Cooper of the 43rd, Newton of the 123rd and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 35 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to podiatry practice, so as to amend a provision relating to fingerprint and criminal background checks; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 254. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Taylor of the 173rd, Hugley of the 136th and Tarvin of the 2nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 23 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licensing of agents, agencies, subagents, counselors, and adjusters, so as to increase the Insurance Commissioner's enforcement authority with regard to adjusters; to provide for allowable types of remuneration; to provide for proof of financial responsibility; to provide for record keeping; to provide for certain consumer protections; to provide for advertising requirements; to provide for certain prohibited acts; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 273. By Representatives Ballinger of the 23rd, Carpenter of the 4th, Collins of the 68th and Dollar of the 45th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to local authorization and regulations for manufacture, distribution, and package sales of distilled spirits, so as to provide an additional method of initiating a referendum election for the authorization of the issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits; to change certain provisions relating to the procedures for calling and conducting certain referendum elections and the nullifications thereof; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment to the following Bill of the House:

HB 208. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Jasperse of the 11th, Erwin of the 28th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Jones of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and observances, so as to provide that the second Wednesday of February of each year shall be designated as "National Swearing-in Day" in Georgia; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House insists on its position in substituting the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 449. By Representatives Smith of the 133rd, Parsons of the 44th, Burns of the 159th and Frazier of the 126th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 9 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to blasting or excavating near utility facilities, so as to revise the "Georgia Utility Facility Protection Act" to enhance the processes for locate requests and to require that 9-1-1 be contacted if an excavator damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline; to change and provide for certain definitions; to provide for certain procedures in extraordinary circumstances; to provide limitations on the recovery of costs of damages; to establish a statute of limitations on enforcement; to amend Code Section 46-3-34, relating to utilities protection center, funding of activities, notice of work delay, and responsibility for completing safety requirements, so as to correct a cross-reference; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Tippins of the 37th asked unanimous consent that the Senate insist on its substitute to HB 449.

The consent was granted, and the Senate insisted on its substitute to HB 449.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code

of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that the Senate adhere to its disagreement to the House substitute to SB 195 and that a Conference Committee be appointed.

The consent was granted, and the President appointed as a Conference Committee the following Senators: Watson of the 1st, Jackson of the 2nd, and Brass of the 28th.

Senator McNeill of the 3rd asked unanimous consent that HB 244, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 244, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 244. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, DeLoach of the 167th, Sainz of the 180th, Meeks of the 178th and Williams of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-8-8.3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the funding of services, or reduction of ad valorem taxes, in unincorporated areas of counties and powers and duties of governing authority, so as to include flood risk reduction in the enumerated list of county purposes for which county ad valorem taxes or county corporation taxes based upon gross direct insurance premiums shall be used; to provide for a definition; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator McNeill of the 3rd.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |

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| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 244, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Anderson of the 24th asked unanimous consent that HB 480, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 480, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 480. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Jones of the 47th, Carpenter of the 4th, Moore of the 95th, Crowe of the 110th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen liens, so as to provide for the creation, declaration, amendment, notice, and priority of liens for labor, services, or materials performed or furnished by registered interior designers; to provide for definitions; to provide for commencement of actions and limitations on amount of such liens; to provide for rights as to liens of partnerships, corporations, and associations made up of or employing registered interior designers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Anderson of the 24th.

Senators Jones of the 25th and Anderson of the 24th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend HB 480 (LC 36 4642) by adding after* "To" *on line 1 the following:*
amend various titles of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated so as to change certain provisions related to certain professions licensed in this state; to amend Chapter 40 of

Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to real estate brokers and salespersons, so as to revise qualifications to become an applicant for a real estate broker's license; to

*By adding between lines 9 and 10 the following:*

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 40 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to real estate brokers and salespersons, is amended by revising paragraph (4) of subsection (c) of Code Section 43-40-8, relating to qualifications of licensees, course of study for licensed salespersons, lapse, reinstatement, renewal, continuing education, and standards for courses, as follows:

"(4) Have maintained a salesperson's license in active status for at least three of the five years immediately preceding the filing of an application to become a broker or have maintained a broker's license in active status for at least five years to become a broker;"

*By redesignating Sections 1 through 7 as Sections 2 through 8, respectively, on lines 10 through 282.*

*By adding after* "approval and" *on line 280 the following:*

Sections 2 through 8 of this Act

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Jones amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| C Albers | Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 2.

HB 480, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th asked unanimous consent that HB 605, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 605, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 605. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd and LaHood of the 175th:

> A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to care and protection of indigent and elderly patients, so as to provide for authorized electronic monitoring in long-term care facilities; to provide for definitions; to provide consent requirements; to provide for notice to the facility; to provide for relocation of a resident to another room; to provide for installation and costs; to provide for notice to visitors; to prohibit obstruction or destruction of electronic monitoring devices; to provide for protection of privacy rights; to provide for limited liability; to provide for a notification and consent form; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.
>
> Senate Sponsor: Senator Kennedy of the 18th.

The Senate Committee on Health and Human Services offered the following substitute to HB 605:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to care and protection of indigent and elderly patients, so as to provide for authorized electronic monitoring in long-term care facilities; to provide for definitions; to provide consent requirements; to provide for notice to the facility; to provide for relocation of a resident to another room; to provide for installation and costs; to provide for notice to visitors; to

prohibit obstruction or destruction of devices; to provide for protection of privacy rights; to provide for limited liability; to provide for a notification and consent form; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to care and protection of indigent and elderly patients, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 5B

31-8-140.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Authorized electronic monitoring' means the open and obvious use of an electronic monitoring device by a resident to monitor the resident or activities within the resident's room in accordance with this article.

(2) 'Department' means the Department of Community Health.

(3) 'Designated agent' means an individual listed in paragraphs (1) through (6) of subsection (a) of Code Section 31-9-2.

(4) 'Electronic monitoring device' means a video camera or an audio recording device, or a combination thereof, that broadcasts, records, or both activity or sounds.

(5) 'Facility' means any skilled nursing facility, intermediate care home, assisted living community, or personal care home subject to regulation and licensure by the department under Chapter 7 of this title.

(6) 'Notification and consent form' means a document substantially similar to the form set forth in Code Section 31-8-148.

(7) 'Physician' means an individual licensed to practice medicine in this state.

(8) 'Resident' means a person who receives care and treatment and resides in a facility.

31-8-141.

(a) Before initiating authorized electronic monitoring inside a facility, a resident shall complete and submit to the facility a written notification and consent form that substantially meets the requirements of this article. If the resident lacks decision-making capacity, the form may be completed and submitted by a designated agent of the resident. The notification and consent form shall either be on a form substantially similar to the form set forth in Code Section 31-8-148 or include at least:

(1) A statement affirming that the resident or resident's designated agent, subject to any noted restrictions, consents to the use of authorized electronic monitoring;

(2) If the resident has a roommate or roommates, a statement affirming that each roommate or roommate's designated agent, subject to any noted restrictions, consents to the use of authorized electronic monitoring;

(3) A description of the electronic monitoring device to be used in the authorized electronic monitoring, including the brand name and model number, and the installation and operating requirements; and

(4) Restrictions that the resident, the resident's designated agent, the resident's roommate, or the resident's roommate's designated agent may impose on the placement and use of the electronic monitoring device to be used in the authorized electronic monitoring, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

(A) Prohibitions on video or audio recording;

(B) Prohibitions on broadcasting video or audio recordings;

(C) Requiring that the electronic monitoring device be turned off or blocked during an examination or procedure by a specified health care provider;

(D) Requiring that the electronic monitoring device be turned off or blocked while dressing, bathing, or personal care is being performed;

(E) Requiring that the electronic monitoring device be turned off or blocked during a visit with an intimate partner;

(F) The signature of the resident or his or her designated agent and the date of signing; and

(G) If the resident has a roommate or roommates, the signature of each roommate or his or her designated agent, and the date of signing.

(b) Consent by a roommate or roommate's designated agent to use authorized electronic monitoring constitutes authorization to the resident's use of any video or audio recording obtained in accordance with this Code section and pursuant to subsection (c) of 31-8-146.

(c) Any amendments to the information contained in the notification and consent form shall be in writing, signed, and dated, and submitted to the facility. The notification and consent form, or an amendment to it, shall not be effective until 24 hours after it has been received by the facility.

(d) If a notification and consent form or an amendment to the form is signed by a designated agent, it shall also include either a statement from a physician who has evaluated the resident that the resident, on whose behalf the designated agent is acting, lacks decision-making capacity, or a copy of the guardianship order, power of attorney, or similar authority.

(e) Upon receiving a completed notification and consent form, or any amendment to the form, the facility shall place the form in the resident's file and provide a copy to the resident or his or her designated agent and to the resident's roommate or roommates or his or her designated agent, if applicable.

(f) Any electronic monitoring device used for authorized electronic monitoring shall be in an open and obvious location and shall not be hidden in another device or item.

(g) No person shall conduct authorized electronic monitoring in a manner that is inconsistent with this article. No person shall conduct clandestine use of an electronic monitoring device to monitor a resident's room, unless otherwise authorized by law.

31-8-142.

(a) If any of the resident's roommates refuse to consent to authorized electronic monitoring, the facility shall, upon the written request of the resident, relocate the resident to another room as soon as the circumstances permit; provided, however, that the facility is not required to provide the resident with a private or single room, unless the resident agrees to pay the increased charges.
(b) During the period of any delay in a requested relocation as provided in subsection (a) of this Code section, the resident shall be permitted to install a video-only electronic monitoring device, provided that such device is installed to monitor only the resident.
(c) In order to assist the resident or the resident's designated agent with implementation of authorized electronic monitoring, the facility shall provide the contact information for a roommate's designated agent, where known, if the roommate is incapacitated.

31-8-143.
(a) A resident may not use a facility's local area network for authorized electronic monitoring unless the facility provides written consent to the resident. Subject to subsection (d) of this Code section, a facility that consents to a resident's use of a local area network may impose reasonable conditions on the use of such network to prevent a data breach and to limit the consumption of available bandwidth.
(b) If a facility does not consent to a resident's use of its local area network, the resident may, at the resident's cost, arrange for access to the internet through an internet service provider. The facility may impose reasonable conditions on the installation of any wire, cable, or other technologies, required for internet access only to:
(1) Prevent permanent damage to the facility; provided, however, that the resident or resident's designated agent shall be responsible for the cost of repair of any physical damage to the facility that occurs as a result of authorized electronic monitoring;
(2) Avoid the creation of a safety hazard; or
(3) Avoid the violation of any applicable building or electrical code.
(c) All electronic monitoring device installations and supporting services for authorized electronic monitoring shall comply with the requirements of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 Life Safety Code (2000 edition).
(d) A facility may not charge a resident a fee for the cost of electricity used for authorized electronic monitoring, and, if the facility charges a resident a fee for the use of data, such fee shall be reasonable.
(e)(1) The resident or resident's designated agent may install or maintain an electronic monitoring device for authorized electronic monitoring in accordance with this Code section.
(2) The facility shall not:
(A) Be required to or mandate that it install or maintain the resident's selected electronic monitoring device or devices for authorized electronic monitoring in compliance with this article; or
(B) Bar or attempt to limit the ability of a resident, resident's designated agent, or other agent of such resident or resident's designated agent to install or maintain an electronic monitoring device for authorized electronic monitoring in compliance with

this article.

31-8-144.
(a) If a resident conducts authorized electronic monitoring, a sign shall be clearly and conspicuously posted by the facility at the entrance to a resident's room where authorized electronic monitoring is being conducted. The sign shall state in large, easy-to-read type, 'This room is electronically monitored.'
(b) The facility shall be responsible for installing and maintaining the signage required by this Code section.

31-8-145.
(a) A person is prohibited from knowingly hampering, obstructing, tampering with, or destroying an electronic monitoring device used for authorized electronic monitoring installed in a resident's room without the permission of the resident or the resident's designated agent.
(b) Except as otherwise provided in this article, a person may not access or disseminate a recording produced through authorized electronic monitoring without the written consent of the resident or his or her designated agent.
(c) Except as directed by the resident or the resident's designated agent, a facility may only move or adjust an electronic monitoring device to ensure such electronic monitoring device is installed, placed, or used in accordance with the terms of the notification and consent form filed with the facility pursuant to subsection (a) of 31-8-141.
(d) A court may consider evidence that a person violated subsection (a) of this Code section.

31-8-146.
(a) A person who possesses material captured through authorized electronic monitoring shall, upon the facility's written request, provide a copy of the recording to the facility if an allegation of neglect, abuse, negligence, or other misconduct has been filed or if a demand letter threatening litigation has been sent to the facility in a civil, criminal, or administrative action, and the recording, or any portion thereof, contains alleged evidence related to the allegation or threatened allegation. The facility shall reimburse the person with the recording for any reasonable costs incurred by providing the recording.
(b) Subject to the applicable rules of evidence and procedure, requests for discovery of video or audio recordings captured pursuant to authorized electronic monitoring shall be directed to the resident or the designated agent who consented on behalf of the resident to the authorized electronic monitoring, and such requests shall not be directed to the facility.
(c) Subject to the applicable rules of evidence and procedure, video and audio recordings captured pursuant to authorized electronic monitoring may be admitted into evidence in a civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding if such video or audio recordings were obtained in accordance with the conditions and provisions of this article.
(d) There shall be no duty for a resident or a resident's designated agent to retain material

captured through authorized electronic monitoring as referenced in subsection (a) of this Code section, except after receipt of a written request from a facility pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section by such resident or resident's designated agent, whereupon failure to retain such material, if available, may result in a presumption against the resident or resident's designated agent as provided in Code Section 24-14-22.

31-8-147.
(a) A facility shall not be civilly or criminally liable for any violation of a person's right to privacy arising out of the use of authorized electronic monitoring, including by third parties, except to the extent the violation was caused by the facility's intentional violation of this article.
(b) A facility may not discriminate against a resident or roommate for using, requesting, consenting to, or refusing to consent to the use of authorized electronic monitoring.
(c) A facility may not discriminate against any potential resident or potential roommate for using, requesting, consenting to, or refusing to consent to the use of authorized electronic monitoring.

31-8-148.
(a) This document or a document substantially similar to the following form may be used to create a notification and consent form that has the meaning and effect prescribed by this article.

'NOTICE OF AUTHORIZED ELECTRONIC MONITORING

_____ _____
Resident's Name Date

I, _____, elect at my own expense to conduct
Resident
authorized electronic monitoring in my room _____.
Room Number

_____ _____
Resident or Designated Agent Signature Date Resident Consented to Authorized Electronic Monitoring

_____
Resident or Designated Agent Printed Name

Type of electronic monitoring device to be used: audio/video (circle one or both)
Make/Model/Type: _____

Installation needs (if any): _____
Proposed date of installation: _____

□ **Resident authorizes continuous 24/7 video and audio recording**

OR

□ Resident's restrictions (check all that apply):
□ Prohibit Audio Recording
□ Prohibit Video Recording
□ Turn Off Device for Duration of an Examination or Procedure by a Physician or the Following Other Health Care Provider or Providers:
_____
□ Block Visual Recording for Duration of an Examination or Procedure by a Physician or the Following Other Health Care Provider or Providers:
_____
□ Turn Off Device while Dressing, Bathing, or other Personal Care is Performed
□ Block Visual Recording while Dressing, Bathing, or other Personal Care is Performed
□ Turn Off Device for the Duration of a Visit with an Intimate Partner
□ Other Conditions/Restrictions (please specify)_____
_____

ROOMMATE CONSENT

_____ _____
Roommate Name Date

I, _____, consent to my roommate's use of authorized
Roommate
electronic monitoring in our room _____.
Room Number

_____ _____
Roommate or Designated Agent Signature Date Roommate Consented to Authorized Electronic Monitoring

_____
Roommate or Designated Agent Printed Name

□ **Roommate authorizes continuous 24/7 video and audio recording**

OR

□ Roommate's restrictions (check all that apply):
□ Prohibit Audio Recording
□ Prohibit Video Recording

□ Turn Off Device for Duration of an Examination or Procedure by a Physician or the Following Other Health Care Provider or Providers:

_____

□ Block Visual Recording for Duration of an Examination or Procedure by a Physician or the Following Other Health Care Provider or Providers:

_____

□ Turn Off Device while Dressing, Bathing, or other Personal Care is Performed

□ Block Visual Recording while Dressing, Bathing, or other Personal Care is Performed

□ Turn Off Device for the Duration of a Visit with an Intimate Partner

Use of Data Obtained by Device:

□ Must obtain my consent before disseminating, publishing, or otherwise sharing the recording with third parties for something other than an administrative or legal proceeding

□ Other Conditions/Restrictions (please specify)_____

_____

For Internal Use Only

Date Received _____ Received By _____'

(b) The department shall maintain a link on its website to the document set out in subsection (a) of this Code section. Such linked document shall be in a format which shall enable a person to complete the document online and print it or to print the document and complete the document in writing.

31-8-149.

Nothing in this article shall be construed to preclude the use of electronic monitoring devices nor the admissibility of audio or video recordings in criminal proceedings as otherwise authorized by law, including, but not limited to, recordings obtained in accordance with subparagraph (2)(B) of Code Section 16-11-62."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Jones of the 25th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Jordan of the 6th, Tillery of the 19th, Strickland of the 17th and others offered the following amendment #1:

Amend committee sub to HB 605 by striking “criminal” on line 257 and inserting in its place “civil, criminal, or administrative” and striking “proceedings” on line 257 and inserting in its place “action”.

At 6:48 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 7:30 p.m.

At 7:30 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

On the adoption of the amendment, the President asked unanimous consent.

Senator Kennedy of the 18th objected.

On the adoption of the amendment, the President ordered a roll call, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| N Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| N Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| N Burns | N Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | Tillery |
| Y Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | N McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the adoption of the amendment, the yeas were 29, nays 21, and the amendment to the committee substitute was adopted.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted as amended.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 49, nays 3.

HB 605, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 307. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Lott of the 122nd, Gaines of the 117th, Frye of the 118th, Hatchett of the 150th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 24 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to insurance generally, so as to revise the "Georgia Telehealth Act"; to revise definitions; to authorize health care providers to provide telemedicine services from home; to authorize patients to receive telemedicine services from their home, workplace, or school; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 336. By Representatives Corbett of the 174th, Dickey of the 140th, Pirkle of the 155th, Jasperse of the 11th and Watson of the 172nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 23 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to hemp farming, so as to provide for

compliance with federal laws and regulations; to provide for history reports; to provide for disposal of lots of hemp; to provide for sampling and random testing of hemp; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 346. By Representative LaRiccia of the 169th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to emergency medical services personnel, so as to authorize the administration of hydrocortisone sodium succinate to patients with congenital adrenal hyperplasia under certain conditions; to provide for definitions; to provide for requirements; to provide for immunity; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 354. By Representatives Williams of the 145th, Powell of the 32nd, Collins of the 68th, Bentley of the 139th, Mathis of the 144th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to professions and businesses, so as to require the State Board of Cemeterians and the State Board of Funeral Service to report suspected unlawful activity to the sheriff's office and the Attorney General; to require the Attorney General to provide notice of such suspected unlawful activity to the appropriate prosecuting attorney; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 451. By Representatives Lumsden of the 12th, Williamson of the 115th, Knight of the 130th, Carson of the 46th and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to provide for the optional determination by a taxpayer of the fair market value applicable to inventory for which a level 1 freeport exemption is sought for certain taxable years; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 458. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Holcomb of the 81st, Gaines of the 117th, Newton of the 123rd and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to physicians, physician assistants, and

others, so as to require certain training relating to sexual misconduct for members of the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to amend Chapter 34A of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to patient right to know, so as to provide for annual reporting to the General Assembly of the number of physicians investigated or disciplined for the sexual assault of patients; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 465. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Gravley of the 67th, Ridley of the 6th, Momtahan of the 17th, Singleton of the 71st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to prohibit local governments from imposing civil penalties upon an alarm systems contractor for a false alarm that occurs through no fault of the alarm systems contractor; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendments to the following Bills of the House:

HB 363. By Representatives LaHood of the 175th, Cooper of the 43rd, Rich of the 97th, Scoggins of the 14th and Leverett of the 33rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, so as to revise definitions relative to the protection of elder persons; to remove enhanced penalties for certain offenses against persons 65 years of age or older or employees, agents, or volunteers at long-term care facilities; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 370. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Schofield of the 60th, Oliver of the 82nd and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to county and municipal hospital authorities, so as to provide for term limits for members of joint hospital authorities; to provide that joint hospital authorities that lease certain hospitals are subject to limitations on utilization of revenues; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider the Conference Committee Report thereto:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Conference Committee Report was as follows:

The Committee of Conference on HB 81 recommends that both the Senate and the House of Representatives recede from their positions and that the attached Committee of Conference Substitute to HB 81 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

| FOR THE SENATE: | FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: |
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| /s/ Senator Tillery of the 19th | /s/ Representative England of the 116th |
| /s/ Senator Miller of the 49th | /s/ Representative Jones of the 47th |
| /s/ Senator Dugan of the 30th | /s/ Representative Burns of the 159th |

## CONFERENCE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE TO H.B. 81
## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

To make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the State government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:
## PART I

The sums of money hereinafter provided are appropriated for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, as prescribed hereinafter for such fiscal year:

| HB 81 (FY 2022G) | Governor | House | Senate | CC |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Revenue Sources Available for Appropriation** | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,244,931,148 | $27,252,569,596 | $27,252,569,596 | $27,252,569,596 |
| State General Funds | $23,268,529,675 | $23,276,168,123 | $23,276,168,123 | $23,276,168,123 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $1,960,036,957 | $1,960,036,957 | $1,960,036,957 | $1,960,036,957 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $1,319,161,131 | $1,319,161,131 | $1,319,161,131 | $1,319,161,131 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $148,469,132 | $148,469,132 | $148,469,132 | $148,469,132 |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $15,305,935,379 | $15,508,843,006 | $15,506,599,425 | $15,583,588,278 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,075,621,653 | $4,075,621,653 | $4,075,621,653 | $4,075,621,653 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 | $224,845,764 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |

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| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $87,169,965 | $87,169,965 | $87,169,965 | $87,169,965 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 | $16,977,107 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $8,349,801,291 | $8,552,084,352 | $8,549,840,771 | $8,626,829,624 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 | $47,852,222 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 | $52,582,058 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $427,072,997 | $427,697,563 | $427,697,563 | $427,697,563 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $327,733,950 | $327,733,950 | $327,733,950 | $327,733,950 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $325,544,568 | $325,544,568 | $325,544,568 | $325,544,568 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $7,053,814,446 | $7,056,564,612 | $7,057,113,141 | $7,056,564,612 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 | $2,671,532 | $2,123,003 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $2,123,003 | $2,123,003 | $2,671,532 | $2,123,003 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 | $7,416,465 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 | $7,380,762 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,079,706,775 | $3,079,706,775 | $3,079,706,775 | $3,079,706,775 |
| Hospital Authorities | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $285,415,499 | $285,415,499 | $285,415,499 | $285,415,499 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 | $416,848,625 |
| Royalties and Rents | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 | $1,147,758 |
| Sales and Services | $3,535,371,151 | $3,538,121,317 | $3,538,121,317 | $3,538,121,317 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $954,115,387 | $956,865,553 | $956,865,553 | $956,865,553 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 | $2,580,454,663 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 | $3,819,907 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,421,864,038 | $4,421,864,038 | $4,421,864,038 | $4,421,864,038 |

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| State Funds Transfers | $4,402,844,278 | $4,402,844,278 | $4,402,844,278 | $4,402,844,278 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 | $82,997,397 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $17,744,709 | $17,744,709 | $17,744,709 | $17,744,709 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Merit System Assessments | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| Retirement Payments | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 | $67,099,850 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 | $16,529,887 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 | $2,489,873 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $687,746 | $687,746 | $687,746 | $687,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $49,604,680,973 | $49,817,977,214 | $49,816,282,162 | $49,892,722,486 |
| **Changes in Fund Availability** | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,332,513,768 | $1,340,152,216 | $1,340,152,216 | $1,340,152,216 |
| State General Funds | $1,127,062,308 | $1,134,700,756 | $1,134,700,756 | $1,134,700,756 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $216,197,599 | $216,197,599 | $216,197,599 | $216,197,599 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $17,842,517 | $17,842,517 | $17,842,517 | $17,842,517 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | ($68,772) | ($68,772) | ($68,772) | ($68,772) |
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $30,456,022 | $30,456,022 | $30,456,022 | $30,456,022 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $78,818,909 | $281,726,536 | $279,482,955 | $356,471,808 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,965,473 | $7,965,473 | $7,965,473 | $7,965,473 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($8,687,956) | ($8,687,956) | ($8,687,956) | ($8,687,956) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $70,788,303 | $273,071,364 | $270,827,783 | $347,816,636 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $8,753,089 | $9,377,655 | $9,377,655 | $9,377,655 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $3,376,795 | $2,828,266 |

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| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $0 | $0 | $548,529 | $0 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $0 | $0 | $548,529 | $0 |
| Sales and Services | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $78,100 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 | $2,828,266 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 |
| State Funds Transfers | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 | $21,723,687 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,433,134,464 | $1,646,430,705 | $1,644,735,653 | $1,721,175,977 |

**Reconciliation of Fund Availability to Fund Application**

***Section 1: Georgia Senate***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 |
| State General Funds | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 | $10,860,336 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 | $10,940,288 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,533,046 | $11,533,046 | $12,041,426 | $12,041,426 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,533,046 | $11,533,046 | $12,041,426 | $12,041,426 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,612,998 | $11,612,998 | $12,121,378 | $12,121,378 |

| **Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| State General Funds | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |

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| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 | $1,207,423 |
| **1.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $75,000 | $75,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **1.100 Lieutenant Governor's Office** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,282,423 | $1,282,423 | $1,507,423 | $1,507,423 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,282,423 | $1,282,423 | $1,507,423 | $1,507,423 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,282,423 | $1,282,423 | $1,507,423 | $1,507,423 |
| **Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | | | **Continuation Budget** |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| State General Funds | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 |
| **2.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **2.100 Secretary of the Senate's Office** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,224,770 | $1,224,770 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,224,770 | $1,224,770 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,164,770 | $1,164,770 | $1,224,770 | $1,224,770 |
| **Senate** | | | | **Continuation Budget** |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 |
| State General Funds | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 | $8,488,143 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 | $8,568,095 |

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| **3.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $597,710 | $597,710 | $821,090 | $821,090 |
| **3.100 Senate** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,085,853 | $9,085,853 | $9,309,233 | $9,309,233 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,085,853 | $9,085,853 | $9,309,233 | $9,309,233 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 | $79,952 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,165,805 | $9,165,805 | $9,389,185 | $9,389,185 |
| ***Section 2: Georgia House of Representatives*** | | | | |
| | | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| State General Funds | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 |
| | | **Section Total - Final** | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,337,987 | $19,910,634 | $19,910,634 | $19,910,634 |
| **House of Representatives** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |
| State General Funds | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 | $17,909,699 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 | $18,356,276 |

**4.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $981,711 | $1,554,358 | $1,554,358 | $1,554,358 |

| **4.100 House of Representatives** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,891,410 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 | $19,464,057 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 | $446,577 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,337,987 | $19,910,634 | $19,910,634 | $19,910,634 |

***Section 3: Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 |
| State General Funds | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 | $12,467,664 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 | $12,630,761 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,839,664 | $13,572,532 | $13,872,532 | $14,403,958 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,839,664 | $13,572,532 | $13,872,532 | $14,403,958 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,002,761 | $13,735,629 | $14,035,629 | $14,567,055 |

**Ancillary Activities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |
| State General Funds | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 | $6,715,606 |

**5.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $372,000 | $657,149 | $657,149 | $942,298 |

**5.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,441 | $1,441 | $1,441 |

**5.3** *Increase funds for legal fees related to reapportionment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $250,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |

**5.4** *Increase funds for an evaluation for HB676 (2021 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $50,000 | $100,000 |

**5.100 Ancillary Activities** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services for the legislative branch of government.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,087,606 | $7,624,196 | $7,924,196 | $8,259,345 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,087,606 | $7,624,196 | $7,924,196 | $8,259,345 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,087,606 | $7,624,196 | $7,924,196 | $8,259,345 |

**Legislative Fiscal Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |
| State General Funds | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 | $1,234,950 |

**6.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $61,000 | $61,000 | $122,000 |

| **6.100 Legislative Fiscal Office** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to act as the bookkeeper-comptroller for the legislative branch of government and maintain an account of legislative expenditures and commitments.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,234,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,356,950 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,234,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,356,950 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,234,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,295,950 | $1,356,950 |

| **Office of Legislative Counsel** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 |
| State General Funds | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 | $4,517,108 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 | $4,680,205 |

**7.1** *Restore funds for legislative session operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $135,278 | $135,278 | $270,555 |

| **7.100 Office of Legislative Counsel** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide bill-drafting services, advice and counsel for members of the General Assembly.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,517,108 | $4,652,386 | $4,652,386 | $4,787,663 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,517,108 | $4,652,386 | $4,652,386 | $4,787,663 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 | $163,097 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,680,205 | $4,815,483 | $4,815,483 | $4,950,760 |

***Section 4: Audits and Accounts, Department of***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| State General Funds | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 | $32,704,323 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 | $32,764,323 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,704,323 | $33,896,873 | $33,896,873 | $33,896,873 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,704,323 | $33,896,873 | $33,896,873 | $33,896,873 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,764,323 | $33,956,873 | $33,956,873 | $33,956,873 |

**Audit and Assurance Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to perform special examinations and investigations; to conduct performance audits and evaluations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; to audit Medicaid provider claims; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| State General Funds | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 | $27,881,701 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 | $27,941,701 |

**8.1** *Transfer funds between programs to more accurately reflect anticipated program expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($60,000) | ($60,000) | ($60,000) | ($60,000) |

**8.2** *Increase funds for independent performance reviews on select existing or proposed tax exemptions, tax credits, or other tax incentives, with up to five reviews per chamber requested annually by the chair of the House Ways and Means Committee and the chair of the Senate Finance Committee.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $192,550 | $192,550 | $192,550 |

**8.3** *Increase funds for auditing expenses associated with coronavirus pandemic funding.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |

**8.4** *Increase funds for software maintenance expenses.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $350,000 | $273,055 | $273,055 |

**8.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to conduct performance audits; to perform special examinations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*
***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to conduct performance audits; to perform special examinations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**8.100 Audit and Assurance Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide audit and assurance services for State Agencies, Authorities, Commissions, Bureaus, and higher education systems to facilitate Auditor's reports for the State of Georgia Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the State of Georgia Single Audit Report, and the State of Georgia Budgetary Compliance Report; to conduct audits of public school systems in Georgia; to conduct performance audits; to perform special examinations at the request of the General Assembly; to conduct reviews*

*of audits reports conducted by other independent auditors of local governments and non-profit organizations contracting with the State; and to provide state financial information online to promote transparency in government.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,821,701 | $29,014,251 | $28,937,306 | $28,937,306 |
| **State General Funds** | $27,821,701 | $29,014,251 | $28,937,306 | $28,937,306 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 | $60,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,881,701 | $29,074,251 | $28,997,306 | $28,997,306 |

**Departmental Administration (DOAA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| State General Funds | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 | $2,243,961 |

**9.1** *Transfer funds between programs to more accurately reflect anticipated program expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |

**9.2** *Increase funds for software maintenance expenses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $43,675 | $43,675 |

**9.100 Departmental Administration (DOAA)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all Department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,273,961 | $2,273,961 | $2,317,636 | $2,317,636 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,273,961 | $2,273,961 | $2,317,636 | $2,317,636 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,273,961 | $2,273,961 | $2,317,636 | $2,317,636 |

**Legislative Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| State General Funds | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |

**10.100 Legislative Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to analyze proposed legislation affecting state retirement systems for fiscal impact and review actuarial investigations and to prepare fiscal notes upon request on other legislation having a significant impact on state revenues and/or expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 | $243,000 |

**Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| State General Funds | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 | $2,335,661 |

**11.1** *Transfer funds between programs to more accurately reflect anticipated program expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |

**11.2** *Increase funds for software maintenance expenses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $33,270 | $33,270 |

**11.100 Statewide Equalized Adjusted Property Tax Digest** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish an equalized adjusted property tax digest for each county and for the State as a whole for use in allocating state funds for public school systems; to provide the Revenue Commissioner statistical data regarding county Tax Assessor compliance with requirements for both uniformity of assessment and level of assessment; and to establish the appropriate level of assessment for centrally assessed public utility companies.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,365,661 | $2,365,661 | $2,398,931 | $2,398,931 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,365,661 | $2,365,661 | $2,398,931 | $2,398,931 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,365,661 | $2,365,661 | $2,398,931 | $2,398,931 |

***Section 5: Appeals, Court of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 |
| State General Funds | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 | $23,356,277 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 | $23,506,277 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,963,210 | $24,381,012 | $24,381,012 | $24,381,012 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,963,210 | $24,381,012 | $24,381,012 | $24,381,012 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,113,210 | $24,531,012 | $24,531,012 | $24,531,012 |

**Court of Appeals** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 |
| State General Funds | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 | $21,959,337 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 | $22,109,337 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **12.1** *Increase funds for hardware and software costs. (H and S:Increase funds for hardware, software, and operations)* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $180,258 | $254,000 | $254,000 | $254,000 |
| **12.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for cyber security insurance.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | ($75,000) | ($75,000) | ($75,000) | ($75,000) |
| **12.3** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for the Cyber Security Operations Center.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | ($55,000) | ($55,000) | ($55,000) | ($55,000) |
| **12.4** *Increase funds for cyber security insurance.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $43,000 | $43,000 | $43,000 | $43,000 |
| **12.5** *Increase funds for Cyber Security Operations Center.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $40,506 | $40,506 | $40,506 | $40,506 |
| **12.6** *Increase funds for one-time funding to continue development of the Case Management System.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $97,500 | $97,500 | $97,500 | $97,500 |
| **12.7** *Increase funds to annualize rent.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $97,063 | $97,063 | $97,063 | $97,063 |
| **12.8** *Increase funds to reflect the salary and travel/per diem expenses for a temporary judge.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | $117,069 | $117,069 | $117,069 |
| **12.9** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | $216,370 | $216,370 | $216,370 |

| **12.100 Court of Appeals** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is for this court to review and exercise appellate and certiorari jurisdiction pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Georgia, Art. VI, Section V, Para. III, in all cases not reserved to the Supreme Court of Georgia or conferred on other courts by law.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,287,664 | $22,694,845 | $22,694,845 | $22,694,845 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,287,664 | $22,694,845 | $22,694,845 | $22,694,845 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,437,664 | $22,844,845 | $22,844,845 | $22,844,845 |

**Georgia State-wide Business Court** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support a state-wide business court in matters of resolving commercial dispute and litigation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| State General Funds | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 | $1,396,940 |
| **13.1** *Increase funds to annualize costs for one clerk position.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $19,949 | $19,949 | $19,949 | $19,949 |
| **13.2** *Increase funds to annualize costs for one judgeship and staff.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $70,871 | $70,871 | $70,871 | $70,871 |
| **13.3** *Increase funds to annualize court mailing costs.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $3,200 | $3,200 | $3,200 | $3,200 |
| **13.4** *Increase funds for contracts.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $59,986 | $59,986 | $59,986 | $59,986 |
| **13.5** *Increase funds for rent.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $124,600 | $124,600 | $124,600 | $124,600 |
| **13.6** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | $10,621 | $10,621 | $10,621 |

**13.100 Georgia State-wide Business Court** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support a state-wide business court in matters of resolving commercial dispute and litigation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,675,546 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,675,546 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,675,546 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 | $1,686,167 |

***Section 6: Judicial Council***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 |
| State General Funds | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 | $14,359,385 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| Sales and Services | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 | $18,683,063 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,365,557 | $15,340,395 | $15,497,895 | $15,615,952 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,365,557 | $15,340,395 | $15,497,895 | $15,615,952 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 | $2,196,311 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,689,235 | $19,664,073 | $19,821,573 | $19,939,630 |

**Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| State General Funds | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

**14.100 Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| **State General Funds** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 | $667,696 |

**Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| Sales and Services | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

**15.100 Georgia Office of Dispute Resolution** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to oversee the state's court-connected alternative dispute resolution (ADR) services by promoting the establishment of new ADR court programs, providing support to existing programs, establishing and enforcing qualifications and ethical standards, registering ADR professionals and volunteers, providing training, administering statewide grants, and collecting statistical data to monitor program effectiveness.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **Sales and Services** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 | $354,203 |

**Institute of Continuing Judicial Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| State General Funds | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| Sales and Services | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 |

**16.100 Institute of Continuing Judicial Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide basic training and continuing education for Superior Court Judges, Juvenile Court Judges, State Court Judges, Probate Court Judges, Magistrate Court Judges, Municipal Court Judges, Superior Court Clerks, Juvenile Court Clerks, Municipal Court Clerks, and other court personnel.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| **State General Funds** | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 | $545,866 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **Sales and Services** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 | $953,203 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 | $1,499,069 |

**Judicial Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of the appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, the State Court Judges, and the Georgia Council of Court Administrators; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, and the Commission on Interpreters; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 |
| State General Funds | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 | $11,572,003 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| Sales and Services | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 | $14,588,275 |

**17.1** *Increase funds for the operation of the Weighted Caseload project.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $236,113 | $236,113 | $118,056 | $236,113 |

**17.2** *Increase funds for the operation of the Juvenile Data Exchange Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $243,945 | $243,945 | $243,945 | $243,945 |

**17.3** *Increase funds for grants for legal services for domestic violence.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |

**17.4** *Increase funds for grants for legal services for Kinship Care Families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $100,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |

**17.5** *Increase funds for the Georgia Courts Registrar.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |

**17.6** *Increase funds for one-time matching funds for the Child Support Collaborative Grant.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $21,600 | $21,600 | $21,600 |

**17.100 Judicial Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of the appropriation is to support the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide administrative support for the councils of the Magistrate Court Judges, the Municipal Court Judges, the Probate Court Judges, the State Court Judges, and the Georgia Council of Court Administrators; to operate the Child Support E-Filing system, the Child Support Guidelines Commission, and the Commission on Interpreters; and to support the Committee on Justice for Children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,327,061 | $12,423,661 | $12,455,604 | $12,573,661 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $12,327,061 | $12,423,661 | $12,455,604 | $12,573,661 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 | $1,627,367 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **Sales and Services** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 | $888,905 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $15,343,333 | $15,439,933 | $15,471,876 | $15,589,933 |

**Judicial Qualifications Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |
| State General Funds | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 | $798,820 |

**18.1** *Increase funds for two attorney positions. (H:Increase funds for one attorney position)(S and CC:Increase funds for two attorney positions)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $251,114 | $125,557 | $251,114 | $251,114 |

**18.2** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $3,795 | $3,795 | $3,795 |

**18.100 Judicial Qualifications Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate complaints filed against a judicial officer, impose and recommend disciplinary sanctions against any judicial officer, and when necessary, file formal charges against that officer and provide a formal trial or hearing. The purpose of this appropriation is also to produce formal and informal advisory opinions; provide training and guidance to judicial candidates regarding the Code of Judicial Conduct; and investigate allegations of unethical campaign practices.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,049,934 | $928,172 | $1,053,729 | $1,053,729 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,049,934 | $928,172 | $1,053,729 | $1,053,729 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,049,934 | $928,172 | $1,053,729 | $1,053,729 |

**Resource Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| State General Funds | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |

**19.100 Resource Center** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide direct representation to death penalty sentenced inmates and to recruit and assist private attorneys to represent plaintiffs in habeas corpus proceedings.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 | $775,000 |

***Section 7: Juvenile Courts***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 |
| State General Funds | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 | $8,666,187 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 | $8,733,673 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,847,838 | $8,750,238 | $8,750,238 | $8,750,238 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,847,838 | $8,750,238 | $8,750,238 | $8,750,238 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,915,324 | $8,817,724 | $8,817,724 | $8,817,724 |

**Council of Juvenile Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| State General Funds | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 |

**20.1** *Increase funds for a Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative Statewide Coordinator position.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $122,600 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**20.100 Council of Juvenile Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the Council of Juvenile Court Judges to represent all the juvenile judges in Georgia. Jurisdiction in cases involving children includes delinquencies, status offenses, and deprivation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,873,241 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,873,241 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 | $1,750,641 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 | $67,486 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,940,727 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 | $1,818,127 |

**Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |
| State General Funds | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 | $6,915,546 |

**21.1** *Increase funds for operations from two additional superior court judgeships. (H and S:Increase funds pursuant to O.C.G.A. 15-11-52(c)(2) for the Griffin and Gwinnett Judicial Circuits mandated by the new superior court judgeships effective January 1, 2020)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |

**21.2** *Increase funds for personnel to reflect an adjustment in the employer contribution rate for the Judicial Retirement System from 8.38% to 8.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $34,051 | $34,051 | $34,051 | $34,051 |

**21.3** *Increase funds related to the creation of the Columbia County Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |

| **21.100 Grants to Counties for Juvenile Court Judges** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is for payment of state funds to circuits to pay for juvenile court judges salaries.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,974,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,974,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,974,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 | $6,999,597 |

***Section 8: Prosecuting Attorneys***

| | | **Section Total - Continuation** | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 |
| State General Funds | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 | $82,403,373 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| State Funds Transfers | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 | $84,425,013 |

| | | **Section Total - Final** | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $88,813,688 | $87,093,901 | $85,849,865 | $86,948,512 |
| **State General Funds** | $88,813,688 | $87,093,901 | $85,849,865 | $86,948,512 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $90,835,328 | $89,115,541 | $87,871,505 | $88,970,152 |

**Council of Superior Court Clerks** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| State General Funds | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

**22.100 Council of Superior Court Clerks** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist superior court clerks throughout the state in the execution of their duties and to promote and assist in the training of superior court clerks.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| **State General Funds** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 | $165,166 |

**District Attorneys** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para I and OCGA 15-18.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 |
| State General Funds | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 | $75,681,543 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| State Funds Transfers | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 | $77,703,183 |

**23.1** *Increase funds for personnel for ongoing recruitment and retention of staff. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds for one step increase for assistant district attorneys based on the 2020 pay scale)(CC:Increase funds for one step increase for assistant district attorneys based on the 2020 pay scale)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,980,916 | $1,244,036 | $0 | $1,638,647 |

**23.2** *Increase funds for personnel to provide for 12 additional assistant district attorneys. (H and S:Increase funds for personnel for seven additional assistant district attorneys)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,225,817 | $715,057 | $715,057 | $715,057 |

**23.3** *Increase funds for personnel to reflect a restoration of funds from furloughs. (H and S:Increase funds to restore personnel reductions)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $379,103 | $379,103 | $379,103 | $379,103 |

**23.4** *Increase funds for personnel to reflect a restoration of funds from hiring delays. (CC:NO)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 | $0 |

**23.5** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,419 | $2,419 | $2,419 |

**23.6** *Increase funds for costs associated with the additional judgeship in the Cobb Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,497 | $64,497 | $64,497 |

**23.7** *Increase funds for costs associated with the additional judgeship in the Flint Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,497 | $64,497 | $64,497 |

**23.8** *Increase funds for costs associated with the additional judgeship in the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,497 | $64,497 | $64,497 |

**23.9** *Increase funds for support costs for the Columbia County Judicial Circuit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,375,425 | $1,375,425 | $1,375,425 |

**23.100 District Attorneys** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the District Attorney to represent the State of Georgia in the trial and appeal of criminal cases in the Superior Court for the judicial circuit and delinquency cases in the juvenile courts per Ga. Const., Art. VI, Sec. VIII. Para I and*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *OCGA 15-18.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $81,807,379 | $80,131,074 | $78,887,038 | $79,985,685 |
| **State General Funds** | $81,807,379 | $80,131,074 | $78,887,038 | $79,985,685 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 | $2,021,640 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 | $219,513 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **Federal Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 | $1,802,127 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $83,829,019 | $82,152,714 | $80,908,678 | $82,007,325 |

**Prosecuting Attorneys' Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| State General Funds | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 | $6,556,664 |

**24.1** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds from furloughs. (H and S:Increase funds to restore personnel reductions)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $57,667 | $57,667 | $57,667 | $57,667 |

**24.2** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds for the prosecutor case management system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $17,884 | $17,884 | $17,884 | $17,884 |

**24.3** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds for training for prosecutors and investigators.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $173,928 | $130,446 | $130,446 | $130,446 |

**24.4** *Increase funds for operations to reflect a restoration of funds for legal research and analysis.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $35,000 | $35,000 | $35,000 | $35,000 |

**24.100 Prosecuting Attorneys' Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia's District Attorneys and State Court Solicitors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,841,143 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $6,841,143 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,841,143 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 | $6,797,661 |

***Section 9: Superior Courts***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 |
| State General Funds | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 | $72,209,945 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Sales and Services | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 | $72,347,115 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $74,361,697 | $74,370,266 | $76,198,452 | $76,721,844 |
| **State General Funds** | $74,361,697 | $74,370,266 | $76,198,452 | $76,721,844 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 | $137,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Sales and Services** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $74,498,867 | $74,507,436 | $76,335,622 | $76,859,014 |

**Council of Superior Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 |
| State General Funds | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 | $1,646,571 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| Sales and Services | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 | $1,766,571 |

**25.1** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $8,569 | $8,569 | $8,569 |

**25.100 Council of Superior Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for the operations of the Council of Superior Court Judges and is to further the improvement of the Superior Court in the administration of justice through leadership, training, policy development and budgetary and fiscal administration.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,646,571 | $1,655,140 | $1,655,140 | $1,655,140 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,646,571 | $1,655,140 | $1,655,140 | $1,655,140 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 | $120,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,766,571 | $1,775,140 | $1,775,140 | $1,775,140 |

**Judicial Administrative Districts** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 |
| State General Funds | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 | $2,657,562 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 | $2,674,732 |

**26.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $186,074 | $186,074 | $186,074 | $186,074 |

**26.100 Judicial Administrative Districts** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regional administrative support to the judges of the superior court. This support includes managing budgets, policy, procedure, and providing a liaison between local and state courts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 | $2,843,636 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 | $17,170 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,860,806 | $2,860,806 | $2,860,806 | $2,860,806 |

**Superior Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |
| State General Funds | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 | $67,905,812 |

**27.1** *Increase funds to reflect an increase in the employer contribution rate for the Judicial Retirement System from 8.38% to 8.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,193 | $125,193 | $125,193 | $125,193 |

**27.2** *Increase funds for the costs of one additional judgeship in the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit created by HB786 (2020 Session), effective January 1, 2022.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 |

**27.3** *Increase funds for the costs of one additional judgeship in the Flint Judicial Circuit created by HB786 (2020 Session), effective January 1, 2022.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 |

**27.4** *Increase funds for the costs of one additional judgeship in the Cobb Judicial Circuit created by HB786 (2020 Session), effective January 1, 2022.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 | $198,790 |

**27.5** *Increase funds for personnel to eliminate the equivalent of six furlough days for employees making over $100,000. (H and*

*S:Increase funds to restore personnel reductions)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $706,534 | $706,534 | $706,534 | $706,534 |

**27.6** *Increase funds for Senior Judge general usage from the current allocation of 0.75 days.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $523,392 | $523,392 | $0 | $523,392 |

**27.7** *Increase funds for Westlaw online legal research.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $74,689 | $74,689 | $74,689 | $74,689 |

**27.8** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for equipment set-up costs for one judgeship in the Gwinnett Circuit created by HB21 (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,250) | ($30,250) | ($30,250) | ($30,250) |

**27.9** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for equipment set-up costs for one judgeship in the Griffin Circuit created by HB28 (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,250) | ($30,250) | ($30,250) | ($30,250) |

**27.10** *Transfer $850,499 from the Augusta Circuit to the newly created Columbia Circuit. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**27.11** *Increase funds for Law Clerks for judges without any, prioritizing multi-county circuits.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,351,578 | $2,351,578 |

| **27.100 Superior Court Judges** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enable Georgia's Superior Courts to be the general jurisdiction trial court and exercise exclusive, constitutional authority over felony cases, divorce, equity and cases regarding title to land, provided that law clerks over the fifty provided by law are to be allocated back to the circuits by caseload ranks.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $69,871,490 | $69,871,490 | $71,699,676 | $72,223,068 |
| **State General Funds** | $69,871,490 | $69,871,490 | $71,699,676 | $72,223,068 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $69,871,490 | $69,871,490 | $71,699,676 | $72,223,068 |

***Section 10: Supreme Court***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| State General Funds | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 | $15,437,492 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 | $15,437,492 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $17,030,709 | $17,250,133 | $17,297,315 | $17,297,315 |

**Supreme Court of Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| State General Funds | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 | $14,191,947 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 | $16,051,770 |

**28.1** *Increase funds for personnel for positions frozen per HB793 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,776 | $50,776 | $50,776 | $50,776 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **28.2** *Increase funds for information technology.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $97,500 | $97,500 | $97,500 | $97,500 |
| **28.3** *Increase funds for supplies and materials.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $67,428 | $67,428 | $67,428 | $67,428 |
| **28.4** *Increase funds for building maintenance and repairs.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $26,654 | $26,654 | $26,654 | $26,654 |
| **28.5** *Increase funds for rent.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $516,253 | $516,253 | $516,253 | $516,253 |
| **28.6** *Increase funds for population based membership dues for the National Center for State Courts.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $220,328 | $220,328 | $220,328 | $220,328 |
| **28.7** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | $123,726 | $170,908 | $170,908 |
| **28.8** *Increase funds for an IT support position.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | $95,698 | $95,698 | $95,698 |

**28.100 Supreme Court of Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Supreme Court of Georgia which exercises exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases involving: the construction of a treaty, the Constitution of the State of Georgia or of the United States, the constitutionality of a law, ordinance, or constitutional provision that has been drawn in question, and all cases of election contest per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. II. The purpose of this appropriation is also to support the Supreme Court of Georgia in its exercise of jurisdiction in cases per Ga. Const. Art. VI, Section VI, Para. III and its administration of the Bar Exam and oversight of the Office of Reporter of Decisions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 | $15,437,492 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,170,886 | $15,390,310 | $15,437,492 | $15,437,492 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 | $1,859,823 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $17,030,709 | $17,250,133 | $17,297,315 | $17,297,315 |

***Section 11: Accounting Office, State***

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 |
| State General Funds | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 | $6,346,746 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| State Funds Transfers | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 | $28,372,191 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,346,746 | $7,107,846 | $6,924,996 | $7,107,846 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,346,746 | $7,107,846 | $6,924,996 | $7,107,846 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 | $22,025,445 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 | $21,465,409 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,372,191 | $29,133,291 | $28,950,441 | $29,133,291 |

**Administration (SAO)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| State General Funds | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| State Funds Transfers | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 |

**29.100 Administration (SAO)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| **State General Funds** | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 | $281,042 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State Funds Transfers** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 | $913,372 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 | $1,194,414 |

**Financial Systems** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate, support, monitor, and improve the State's enterprise financial accounting, payroll, and human capital management systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| State Funds Transfers | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

**30.100 Financial Systems** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate, support, monitor, and improve the State's enterprise financial accounting, payroll, and human capital management systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 | $19,145,774 |

**Shared Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support client agencies in processing payroll and other financial transactions and to implement and support the Statewide Travel Consolidation Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| State General Funds | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 |

**31.100 Shared Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support client agencies in processing payroll and other financial transactions and to implement and support the Statewide Travel Consolidation Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| **State General Funds** | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 | $662,430 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 | $1,831,542 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 | $1,271,506 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 | $560,036 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 | $2,493,972 |

**Statewide Accounting and Reporting** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide financial reporting, accounting policy, business process improvement, and compliance with state and federal fiscal reporting requirements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| State General Funds | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| State Funds Transfers | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| Accounting System Assessments | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 |

**32.100 Statewide Accounting and Reporting** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide financial reporting, accounting policy, business process improvement, and compliance with state and federal fiscal reporting requirements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 | $2,486,052 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |
| **Accounting System Assessments** | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 | $134,757 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 | $2,620,809 |

**Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |
| State General Funds | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 | $2,219,630 |

**33.1** *Increase funds for two auditors, one attorney, one financial assistant, and one training specialist position. (S:Increase funds for two auditors and one attorney)(CC:Increase funds for two auditors, one attorney, one financial assistant, and one training specialist position)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $461,100 | $278,250 | $461,100 |

**33.2** *Increase funds for one-time expenses related to the e-filing system.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**33.100 Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the integrity of the democratic process and ensure compliance by candidates, public officials, non-candidate campaign committees, lobbyists and vendors with Georgia's Campaign and Financial Disclosure requirements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,219,630 | $2,980,730 | $2,797,880 | $2,980,730 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,219,630 | $2,980,730 | $2,797,880 | $2,980,730 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,219,630 | $2,980,730 | $2,797,880 | $2,980,730 |

**Georgia State Board of Accountancy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public financial, fiscal, and economic interests by licensing certified public accountants and public accountancy firms; regulating public accountancy practices; and investigating complaints and taking appropriate legal and disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

**34.100 Georgia State Board of Accountancy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public financial, fiscal, and economic interests by licensing certified public accountants and public accountancy firms; regulating public accountancy practices; and investigating complaints and taking appropriate legal and disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| **State General Funds** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 | $697,592 |

***Section 12: Administrative Services, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| State General Funds | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 | $6,995,581 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| Sales and Services | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| State Funds Transfers | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Merit System Assessments | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 | $231,755,502 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,295,581 | $3,295,581 | $6,351,581 | $5,866,581 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,295,581 | $3,295,581 | $6,351,581 | $5,866,581 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 | $38,410,129 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 | $2,450,204 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 | $18,997,635 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 | $4,120,085 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 | $186,349,792 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 | $20,261,076 |
| **Liability Funds** | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 | $6,386,011 |
| **Unemployment Compensation Funds** | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| **Workers Compensation Funds** | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $228,055,502 | $228,055,502 | $231,111,502 | $230,626,502 |

**Certificate of Need Appeal Panel** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| State General Funds | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

**35.100 Certificate of Need Appeal Panel** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to review decisions made by the Department of Community Health on Certificate of Need applications.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 | $39,506 |

**Compensation Per General Assembly Resolutions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to purchase annuities and other products for wrongfully convicted inmates when directed by the General Assembly upon passage of the required House Resolution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**36.1** *Provide funds in Amended FY2022 to purchase annuities for wrongfully convicted individuals pursuant to the favorable passage of HR24, HR25, HR26, and HR29 (2021 Session). (H:YES)(S:Provide funds to purchase annuities for wrongfully convicted individuals pursuant to the favorable passage of HR24, HR25, HR26, and HR29 (2021 Session))(CC:Provide funds to purchase annuities for wrongfully convicted individuals pursuant to the favorable passage of HR24, HR25 and HR26 (2021 Session))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $3,056,000 | $2,496,000 |

**36.100 Compensation Per General Assembly Resolutions** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to purchase annuities and other products for wrongfully convicted inmates when directed by the General Assembly upon passage of the required House Resolution.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $3,056,000 | $2,496,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $3,056,000 | $2,496,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $0 | $3,056,000 | $2,496,000 |

**Departmental Administration (DOAS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| Sales and Services | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 |
| Merit System Assessments | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 |

**37.100 Departmental Administration (DOAS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 | $3,600,241 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 | $126,452 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 | $2,923,623 |
| **Sales and Services** | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 | $550,166 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 | $3,020,283 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 | $1,537,948 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 | $1,482,335 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 | $6,620,524 |

**Fleet Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance Program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |

**38.100 Fleet Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and manage a fuel card program for state and local governments, to implement the Motor Vehicle Contract Maintenance Program to provide repairs, roadside assistance, and maintenance for state and local government fleets, and to establish a motor pool for traveling state employees.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 | $1,369,646 |

**Human Resources Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| Merit System Assessments | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 |

**39.100 Human Resources Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide centralized services for statewide human resources in support of state agencies, the State Personnel Board, and employees; develop human resource policies, create job descriptions and classification, develop fair and consistent compensation practices, and administer the employee benefits program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 | $5,801,443 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 | $293,754 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 | $5,507,689 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **Merit System Assessments** | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 | $4,903,676 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 | $10,705,119 |

**Risk Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers Compensation Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| State General Funds | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 | $4,130,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 |
| Liability Funds | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| Unemployment Compensation Funds | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| Workers Compensation Funds | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 | $181,629,501 |

**40.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding to meet liabilities of the State Indemnification Fund.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,700,000) | ($2,700,000) | ($2,700,000) | ($2,700,000) |

**40.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding to meet liabilities in conjunction with the Subsequent Injury Trust Fund.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,000,000) | ($1,000,000) | ($1,000,000) | ($1,000,000) |

**40.100 Risk Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer a liability insurance program to protect state government and employees from work-related claims, to provide indemnification funds for public officers and public school personnel in case of disability or death, to identify and control risks and hazards to minimize loss, to insure state-owned buildings and property against damage or destruction, to partner with the Department of Labor in administering unemployment claims, and to administer the Workers Compensation Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $430,000 | $430,000 | $430,000 | $430,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $430,000 | $430,000 | $430,000 | $430,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 | $2,323,752 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 | $175,175,749 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 | $15,473,044 |
| **Liability Funds** | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 | $46,692,570 |
| **Unemployment Compensation Funds** | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 | $3,917,564 |
| **Workers Compensation Funds** | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 | $109,092,571 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $177,929,501 | $177,929,501 | $177,929,501 | $177,929,501 |

**State Purchasing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain*

*a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify small and/or minority business vendors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

**41.100 State Purchasing** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to publicize government contract opportunities on the Georgia Procurement Registry; to maintain a comprehensive listing of all agency contracts; to manage bids, Requests For Proposals, and Requests For Quotes; to provide and oversee Purchasing Cards; to conduct reverse auctions for non-construction goods and services valued above $100,000; to leverage the state's purchasing power in obtaining contracts; to train vendors seeking contract opportunities; and to certify small and/or minority business vendors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 | $14,559,366 |

**Surplus Property** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| Sales and Services | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

**42.100 Surplus Property** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce cost through maximization of the useful life of state-owned equipment and redistribution of property to state and local governments, qualifying non-profits, and to the public through auction.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 | $2,106,919 |

**Administrative Hearings, Office of State** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| State General Funds | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 |

**43.1** *Provide funds for additional operations for the Tax Court.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $75,000 |

**43.100 Administrative Hearings, Office of State** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide an independent forum for the impartial and timely resolution of disputes between the public and state agencies, and to create and provide necessary funding for an independent trial court with concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Courts of Georgia which will address tax disputes involving the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,901,075 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,826,075 | $2,901,075 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 | $3,250,084 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,076,159 | $6,151,159 |

**State Treasurer, Office of the** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts; monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |

**44.100 State Treasurer, Office of the** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set cash management policies for state agencies; assist agencies with bank services and accounts; monitor agency deposits and disbursement patterns; to invest funds for state and local entities; to track warrants, fund agency allotments, and pay state debt service; and to manage state revenue collections; and to manage the Path2College 529 Plan.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 | $7,040,762 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 | $1,463,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 | $8,648,762 |

**The Department is authorized to assess state agencies the equivalent of .176% of salaries for the cost of departmental operations and may roll forward any unexpended prior years Merit System Assessment balance to be expended in the current fiscal year.**

***Section 13: Agriculture, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 |
| State General Funds | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 | $46,718,914 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Royalties and Rents | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Sales and Services | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Funds Transfers | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 | $58,095,760 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $46,728,394 | $48,333,892 | $48,167,824 | $48,434,564 |
| **State General Funds** | $46,728,394 | $48,333,892 | $48,167,824 | $48,434,564 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 | $8,601,145 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 | $2,544,771 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 | $1,585,748 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $58,105,240 | $59,710,738 | $59,544,670 | $59,811,410 |

**Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| State General Funds | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |

**45.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $8,387 | $8,387 | $8,387 | $8,387 |

**45.100 Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide payment to the Board of Regents for diagnostic laboratory testing, for veterinary consultation and assistance, for disease surveillance, and for outreach to veterinarians, animal industries, and pet owners within the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 | $3,238,172 |

**Consumer Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries, including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by*

*monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 |
| State General Funds | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 | $26,758,970 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 | $36,430,115 |

**46.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $672 | $672 | $672 | $672 |

**46.2** *Increase funds for the Georgia Hemp Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $307,460 | $307,460 | $307,460 |

**46.3** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to retain critical positions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $565,827 | $508,912 | $508,912 |

**46.4** *Increase funds for one soil scientist, one compliance specialist, and two vehicles pursuant to HB1057 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $241,740 | $0 | $241,740 |

**46.100 Consumer Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for public health and safety by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the cultivation, processing, and production of livestock, meat, poultry, and other food products; by inspecting establishments that sell food for offsite consumption, food warehouses, wholesale and mobile meat and seafood vendors, dairy farms, and food banks; by certifying organic products, shellfish, and bottled water; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the companion animal, bird, and equine industries (including reports of abuse by private owners); by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the plant and apiary industries, including performing phytosanitary inspections; by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating the pesticide and wood treatment industries; and by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating animal feed, pet food, and grains. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure accurate*

*commercial transactions by monitoring, inspecting, and regulating weights and measures and fuel sales.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,759,642 | $27,874,669 | $27,576,014 | $27,817,754 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,759,642 | $27,874,669 | $27,576,014 | $27,817,754 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 | $7,751,145 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 | $1,920,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 | $725,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 | $1,195,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,430,787 | $37,545,814 | $37,247,159 | $37,488,899 |

**Departmental Administration (DOA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| State General Funds | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 |

**47.100 Departmental Administration (DOA)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 | $5,450,611 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 | $6,300,611 |

**Marketing and Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| State General Funds | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 | $5,569,148 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 |
| Royalties and Rents | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| Sales and Services | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Funds Transfers | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 | $6,424,849 |

**48.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $421 | $421 | $421 | $421 |

**48.2** *Increase funds to establish the Farmers and Consumers Market Bulletin as the official regulatory and educational tool for the Georgia Agricultural Tax Exemption (GATE) program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $333,350 | $333,350 | $333,350 |

**48.3** *Retain $120,000 in existing funds for the Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah farmers markets within the Georgia Department of Agriculture. (H:YES)(S and CC:YES; Redirect $120,000 intended for the transition of ownership of farmers markets in Thomasville, Cordele, and Savannah to local authorities to instead fund repairs and maintenance for any and all state farmers markets)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**48.4** *Increase funds for the Southwest Georgia Project (SWGP) for a community food hub to bolster Southwest Georgia's farmers, economy, and public health, and leverage other funds. (CC:Increase funds for one-time funding for the Southwest Georgia Project (SWGP) for a community food hub to bolster Southwest Georgia's farmers, economy, and public health, and leverage other funds)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $75,000 | $100,000 |

**48.100 Marketing and Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage the state's farmers markets, to promote Georgia's agricultural products domestically and internationally, to administer relevant certification marks, to provide poultry and livestock commodity data, to administer surety bonds, to provide information to the public, and to publish the Market Bulletin.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,569,569 | $5,902,919 | $5,977,919 | $6,002,919 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,569,569 | $5,902,919 | $5,977,919 | $6,002,919 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 | $624,771 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 | $234,023 |
| **Sales and Services** | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 | $390,748 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 | $230,930 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,425,270 | $6,758,620 | $6,833,620 | $6,858,620 |

**Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| State General Funds | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |

**49.100 Poultry Veterinary Diagnostic Labs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to pay for operation of the Poultry Diagnostic Veterinary Labs, which conduct disease diagnoses and monitoring.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 | $2,824,057 |

**Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |
| State General Funds | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 | $899,778 |

**50.1** *Increase funds for operations. (S and CC:Increase funds for operations and recognize $342,413 in business interruption insurance)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $100,000 | $157,587 | $157,587 |

**50.100 Payments to Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reduce the rates charged by the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority for youth and livestock events.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $899,778 | $999,778 | $1,057,365 | $1,057,365 |
| **State General Funds** | $899,778 | $999,778 | $1,057,365 | $1,057,365 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $899,778 | $999,778 | $1,057,365 | $1,057,365 |

**Payments to the Georgia Development Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide development opportunities and disaster recovery assistance to Georgia farmers and timberland owners.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**51.1** *Redirect unutilized Georgia Development Authority Forestry Emergency Disaster Relief Assistance Funds for normal farmland and agribusiness loan programs administered by the authority. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by administering the use of state and federal resources to inspect, maintain, and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures in order to comply with the state Safe Dams Act and to provide planning and research assistance to landowners and local governments on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |
| State General Funds | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 | $1,986,565 |

**52.1** *Increase funds for one rural waters technical specialist.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $57,121 | $57,121 | $57,121 |

**52.100 State Soil and Water Conservation Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect, conserve, and improve the soil and water resources of the State of Georgia by administering the use of state and federal resources to inspect, maintain, and provide assistance to owners of USDA flood control structures in order to comply with the state Safe Dams Act and to provide planning and research assistance to landowners and local governments on water management, erosion, and sedimentation control.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,986,565 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,986,565 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,986,565 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 | $2,043,686 |

***Section 14: Banking and Finance, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| State General Funds | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 | $12,134,321 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,134,321 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,134,321 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,134,321 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 | $12,506,251 |

**Departmental Administration (DBF)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| State General Funds | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

| **53.100 Departmental Administration (DBF)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all department programs.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 | $2,480,359 |

**Financial Institution Supervision** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| State General Funds | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 | $6,977,563 |

**54.1** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to retain critical positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $271,774 | $271,774 | $271,774 |

| **54.100 Financial Institution Supervision** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to examine and regulate depository financial institutions, state-chartered banks, trust companies, credit unions, bank holding companies, and international banking organizations; to track performance of financial service providers operating in Georgia, to monitor industry trends, respond to negative trends, and establish operating guidelines; and to collaborate with law enforcement, federal regulators, and other regulatory agencies on examination findings.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,977,563 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,977,563 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,977,563 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 | $7,249,337 |

**Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent residential mortgage lending practices and money service businesses, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registrations, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| State General Funds | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 | $2,676,399 |

**55.1** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to retain critical positions.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,156 | $100,156 | $100,156 |

**55.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**55.100 Non-Depository Financial Institution Supervision** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect consumers from unfair, deceptive, or fraudulent money service businesses and residential mortgage and installment loan lending practices, protect consumers by licensing, regulating, and enforcing applicable laws and regulations, and provide efficient and flexible application, registration, and notification procedures for non-depository financial institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,676,399 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,676,399 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,676,399 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 | $2,776,555 |
| ***Section 15: Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of*** | | | | |
| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 | $1,139,381,422 |
| State General Funds | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 | $1,129,126,284 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| Royalties and Rents | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Sales and Services | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 | $1,316,836,232 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,161,510,862 | $1,197,883,812 | $1,199,452,990 | $1,198,302,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,151,255,724 | $1,187,628,674 | $1,189,197,852 | $1,188,047,852 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 | $149,263,138 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 | $5,081,397 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 | $14,163,709 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 | $29,958,095 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 | $47,482,075 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 | $40,481,142 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 | $25,771,962 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 | $257,036 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Sales and Services** | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 | $24,646,902 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,338,965,672 | $1,375,338,622 | $1,376,907,800 | $1,375,757,800 |

**Adult Addictive Diseases Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| State General Funds | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 | $49,026,174 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 | $93,715,308 |

**56.1** *Restore funds for Hepatitis C projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $125,000 | $125,000 | $125,000 |

**56.2** *Increase funds for core services to promote equity among providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,716,634 | $2,716,634 | $2,716,634 |

**56.3** *Recognize $45,985,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA 93.959. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**56.100 Adult Addictive Diseases Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a continuum of programs, services and supports for adults who abuse alcohol and other drugs, have a chemical dependency and who need assistance for compulsive gambling.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $49,026,174 | $51,867,808 | $51,867,808 | $51,867,808 |
| **State General Funds** | $49,026,174 | $51,867,808 | $51,867,808 | $51,867,808 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 | $44,254,231 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 | $29,607,511 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 | $2,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 | $12,096,720 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 | $434,903 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 | $234,903 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $93,715,308 | $96,556,942 | $96,556,942 | $96,556,942 |

**Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 | $329,742,944 |
| State General Funds | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 | $319,487,806 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| Sales and Services | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 | $402,720,668 |

**57.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $379 | $379 | $379 | $379 |

**57.2** *Increase funds for 100 additional slots for the New Options Waiver (NOW) and Comprehensive Supports Waiver Program (COMP) for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,957,356 | $1,957,356 | $1,957,356 | $1,957,356 |

**57.3** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,925,195 | $10,925,195 | $10,925,195 | $10,925,195 |

**57.4** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,541,873 | $1,541,873 | $1,541,873 | $1,541,873 |

**57.5** *Increase funds to annualize funds for a behavioral health crisis center for individuals with intellectual and developmental*

*disabilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,028,616 | $7,028,616 | $7,028,616 |

**57.6** *Increase funds for a 5% rate increase for intellectual and developmental disability providers with approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $12,343,735 | $12,343,735 | $12,343,735 |

**57.7** *Restore funds for non-waiver services in family support.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,656,799 | $4,656,799 | $4,656,799 |

**57.8** *Pending final approval by Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, reflect the department's intent to amend Appendix K to provide a time-limited rate increase for providers serving the intellectual and developmental disability population, including adult day centers and residential services. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**57.9** *Pending final approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, reflect the intent to continue to serve the estimated 188 individuals who are currently receiving community living supports services who may be impacted by the COMP waiver renewal with alternate service(s). By December 1, 2021, provide a report to the chairs of the House Appropriations Human Resources Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Human Development and Public Health Subcommittee on how this population will continue to receive services based on their assessed need following the extended transition period. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**57.10** *Increase funds for respite services with priority to rural communities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |

**57.11** *Increase funds for Rockdale Cares for respite services.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $100,000 | $100,000 |

**57.100 Adult Developmental Disabilities Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote independence of adults with significant development disabilities through institutional care, community support and respite, job readiness, training, and a crisis and access line.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $344,167,747 | $368,196,897 | $369,796,897 | $369,796,897 |
| **State General Funds** | $333,912,609 | $357,941,759 | $359,541,759 | $359,541,759 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 | $10,255,138 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 | $50,317,724 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 | $12,336,582 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 | $37,981,142 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 | $22,660,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $417,145,471 | $441,174,621 | $442,774,621 | $442,774,621 |

**Adult Forensic Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 |
| State General Funds | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 | $104,640,011 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| Sales and Services | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 | $104,666,511 |

**58.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $38,038 | $38,038 | $38,038 | $38,038 |

**58.2** *Increase funds to annualize the cost of the 40-bed forensic unit at West Central Regional Hospital in Columbus.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,651,193 | $4,651,193 | $4,651,193 | $4,651,193 |

**58.3** *Increase funds for six forensic peer mentors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $621,630 | $621,630 | $621,630 |

**58.100 Adult Forensic Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide psychological evaluations of defendants, mental health screening and evaluations, inpatient mental health treatment, competency remediation, forensic evaluation services, and supportive housing for forensic consumers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $109,329,242 | $109,950,872 | $109,950,872 | $109,950,872 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $109,329,242 | $109,950,872 | $109,950,872 | $109,950,872 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 | $26,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $109,355,742 | $109,977,372 | $109,977,372 | $109,977,372 |

**Adult Mental Health Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| State General Funds | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 | $435,352,719 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| Sales and Services | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 | $448,301,767 |

**59.1** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,335,605 | $2,335,605 | $2,335,605 | $2,335,605 |

**59.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $257,039 | $257,039 | $257,039 | $257,039 |

**59.3** *Utilize existing funds to expand the housing supports pilot program for the Georgia Housing Voucher Program. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**59.4** *Add funds to support the 988 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline pursuant to the 'National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020'.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $114,039 | $114,039 | $114,039 |

**59.5** *Add funds for suicide prevention related to the COVID-19 pandemic ($70,000) and one suicide epidemiologist ($107,748).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $177,748 | $177,748 | $177,748 |

**59.6** *Increase funds for core services to promote equity among providers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,486,247 | $6,486,247 | $6,486,247 |

**59.7** *Increase funds for The Bradley Center at St. Francis-Emory Health Care for mental health crisis services. (CC:NO)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $250,000 | $0 |

**59.8** *Increase funds for advancements in mental health telehealth capabilities. (CC:Partner with existing county resources to deliver mental health telehealth)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $0 |

**59.9** *Recognize $45,491,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Community Mental Health Services Block Grants CFDA 93.958 for both child and adolescent and adult mental health needs. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**59.100 Adult Mental Health Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to facilitate rehabilitation and recovery for adults with mental illnesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $437,945,363 | $444,723,397 | $445,973,397 | $444,723,397 |
| **State General Funds** | $437,945,363 | $444,723,397 | $445,973,397 | $444,723,397 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 | $11,858,953 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 | $3,062,355 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 | $6,726,178 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 | $2,070,420 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 | $1,090,095 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $450,894,411 | $457,672,445 | $458,922,445 | $457,672,445 |

**Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances*

*and promote a transition to productive living.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| State General Funds | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 |

**60.100 Child and Adolescent Addictive Diseases Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services to children and adolescents for the safe withdrawal from abused substances and promote a transition to productive living.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 | $3,308,135 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 | $7,928,149 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 | $7,878,149 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 | $11,236,284 |

**Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| State General Funds | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 |

**61.100 Child and Adolescent Developmental Disabilities** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, residential, support, and education services to promote independence for children and adolescents with developmental disabilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 | $14,796,552 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 | $3,285,496 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 | $18,082,048 |

**Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| State General Funds | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

**62.100 Child and Adolescent Forensic Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment and residential services to children and adolescents clients referred by Georgia's criminal justice or corrections system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 | $6,555,857 |

**Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| State General Funds | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 | $48,887,809 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 |
| Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Sales and Services | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 | $59,297,324 |

**63.1** *Increase funds to accelerate the expansion of the Georgia Apex Program.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |

**63.2** *Increase funds for mental health and suicide prevention training in schools ($12,900) and a youth suicide prevention specialist ($89,602).*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $102,502 | $102,502 | $102,502 |

**63.3** *Reduce funds for crisis respite home due to non-implementation.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($1,480,822) | ($1,480,822) |

**63.4** *Recognize $45,491,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Community Mental Health Services Block Grants CFDA 93.958 for both child and adolescent and adult mental health needs. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**63.100 Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide evaluation, treatment, crisis stabilization, and residential services to children and adolescents with mental illness.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $48,887,809 | $50,990,311 | $49,509,489 | $49,509,489 |
| **State General Funds** | $48,887,809 | $50,990,311 | $49,509,489 | $49,509,489 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 | $10,324,515 |
| **Community Mental Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.958** | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 | $7,437,531 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 | $2,886,984 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $59,297,324 | $61,399,826 | $59,919,004 | $59,919,004 |

**Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| State General Funds | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 | $26,408,838 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 | $35,709,584 |

**64.1** *Increase funds for four compliance specialists to review corrective action plans related to the Department of Justice (DOJ) Settlement Agreement.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $355,080 | $355,080 | $355,080 | $355,080 |

**64.100 Departmental Administration (DBHDD)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all mental health, developmental disabilities and addictive diseases programs of the department.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 | $26,763,918 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 | $9,278,613 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 | $22,133 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,064,664 | $36,064,664 | $36,064,664 | $36,064,664 |

**Direct Care Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 |
| State General Funds | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 | $118,978,840 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 |
| Royalties and Rents | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| Sales and Services | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 | $122,851,881 |

**65.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $525 | $525 | $525 | $525 |

**65.2** *Provide funds for contracts for facility support.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $200,000 | $300,000 |

| **65.100 Direct Care Support Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to operate five state-owned and operated hospitals.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $118,979,365 | $118,979,365 | $119,179,365 | $119,279,365 |
| **State General Funds** | $118,979,365 | $118,979,365 | $119,179,365 | $119,279,365 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 | $1,453,331 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 | $668,024 |
| **Sales and Services** | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 | $785,307 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 | $2,419,710 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 | $2,357,130 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 | $62,580 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $122,852,406 | $122,852,406 | $123,052,406 | $123,152,406 |

**Substance Abuse Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| State General Funds | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 |

**66.100 Substance Abuse Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the health and well-being of children, youth, families and communities through preventing the use and/or abuse of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| **State General Funds** | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 | $339,328 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 | $9,996,415 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 | $10,335,743 |

**Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Council on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| State General Funds | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 | $498,533 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 | $2,517,575 |

**67.1** *Replace one-time other funds with state funds for the Inclusive Post-Secondary Education (IPSE) program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $67,157 | $67,157 | $67,157 | $67,157 |

**67.100 Developmental Disabilities, Georgia Council on** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote quality services and support for people with developmental disabilities and their families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $565,690 | $565,690 | $565,690 | $565,690 |
| **State General Funds** | $565,690 | $565,690 | $565,690 | $565,690 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 | $2,019,042 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,584,732 | $2,584,732 | $2,584,732 | $2,584,732 |

**Sexual Offender Review Board** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| State General Funds | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |

**68.100 Sexual Offender Review Board** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect Georgia's children by identifying convicted sexual offenders that present the greatest risk of sexually reoffending.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| **State General Funds** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 | $845,682 |

***Section 16: Community Affairs, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 |
| State General Funds | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 | $68,385,539 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| Sales and Services | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| State Funds Transfers | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 | $252,416,343 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $104,567,394 | $99,885,831 | $99,692,394 | $102,585,831 |
| **State General Funds** | $104,567,394 | $99,885,831 | $99,692,394 | $102,585,831 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 | $169,081,824 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 | $14,758,057 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 | $467,418 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 | $13,141,147 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 | $1,149,492 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 | $190,923 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $288,598,198 | $283,916,635 | $283,723,198 | $286,616,635 |

**Building Construction** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| State General Funds | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| Sales and Services | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 |

**69.100 Building Construction** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain up-to-date minimum building construction standards for all new structures built in the*

*state; to inspect factory built (modular) buildings to ensure Georgia's minimum construction codes are met; to review proposed enhancements to local government construction codes; and to provide professional training to building inspectors and builders on Georgia's construction codes.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| **State General Funds** | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 | $262,438 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 | $232,353 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 | $494,791 |

**Coordinated Planning** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| State General Funds | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |

**70.100 Coordinated Planning** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that county and city governments meet the requirements of the Georgia Planning Act of 1989 by establishing standards and procedures for comprehensive plans and reviewing plans submitted by local governments; to provide training and assistance to local governments in completing comprehensive plans for quality growth by offering mapping and Geographical Information System (GIS) services, online planning tools, and resource teams, and funding the regional planning efforts of Regional Commissions; and to provide annexation reports from Georgia cities to the U.S. Census Bureau.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 | $3,541,949 |

**Departmental Administration (DCA)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| State General Funds | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| Sales and Services | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| State Funds Transfers | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 |

| **71.100 Departmental Administration (DCA)** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 | $1,178,846 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 | $2,933,711 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 | $2,945,396 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 | $228,827 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 | $2,645,435 |
| **Sales and Services** | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 | $71,134 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 | $29,328 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 | $7,087,281 |

**Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| State General Funds | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 | $1,806,169 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| Sales and Services | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 | $49,941,969 |

**72.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $543 | $543 | $543 | $543 |

**72.100 Federal Community and Economic Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer federal grant and loan programs to promote volunteerism and community and economic development among local governments, development authorities, and private entities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 | $1,806,712 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 | $47,503,822 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 | $631,978 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 | $460,580 |
| **Sales and Services** | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 | $171,398 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $49,942,512 | $49,942,512 | $49,942,512 | $49,942,512 |

**Homeownership Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate-income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate-income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| Sales and Services | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 |

**73.100 Homeownership Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the supply of affordable housing through rehabilitation and construction financing, and to promote homeownership for low and moderate-income individuals by providing sustainable housing grants to local governments, administering mortgage and down payment assistance programs for low and moderate-income homebuyers, and offering homeownership counseling and home buyer education programs through a partnership with private providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 | $2,518,296 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 | $5,600,238 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 | $5,554,033 |
| **Sales and Services** | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 | $46,205 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 | $8,118,534 |

**Regional Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives; to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan; and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| State General Funds | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| Sales and Services | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 |

**74.100 Regional Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote access to department services and assistance through a statewide network of regional representatives; to provide technical assistance and grants to local communities to achieve goals relating to housing and community and economic development projects and services that are in-line with the community's comprehensive plan; and to develop leadership infrastructure across local governments.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 | $1,121,704 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 | $140,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 | $123,752 |
| **Sales and Services** | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 | $17,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 | $1,462,456 |

**Rental Housing Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| Sales and Services | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 |

**75.100 Rental Housing Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide affordable rental housing to very low, and moderate-income households by allocating federal and state housing tax credits on a competitive basis, by administering low-interest loans for affordable rental housing, by researching affordable housing issues, and by providing tenant-based assistance to low-income individuals and families allowing them to rent safe, decent, and sanitary dwelling units in the private rental market.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 | $111,873,539 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 | $4,145,738 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 | $3,766,738 |
| **Sales and Services** | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 | $379,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 | $116,019,277 |

**Research and Surveys** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| State General Funds | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 |

**76.100 Research and Surveys** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct surveys and collect financial and management data from local governments and authorities in accordance with Georgia law.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| **State General Funds** | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 | $356,609 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 | $406,609 |

**Special Housing Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| State General Funds | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 | $3,062,892 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| Sales and Services | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| State Funds Transfers | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 | $6,565,344 |

**77.1** *Increase funds for the Southern Georgia Regional Commission's Area Agency on Aging.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $168,437 | $0 | $168,437 |

**77.2** *Recognize $12,351,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program CFDA 97.024. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**77.100 Special Housing Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the State Housing Trust Fund; to provide grants for providers of shelter and services to the homeless; to administer loans and grants for affordable housing; to offer local communities collaboration and technical assistance in the development and implementation of an affordable housing plan; and to provide for other special housing initiatives.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,062,892 | $3,231,329 | $3,062,892 | $3,231,329 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,062,892 | $3,231,329 | $3,062,892 | $3,231,329 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 | $3,050,864 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 | $289,993 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 | $238,591 |
| **Sales and Services** | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 | $51,402 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 | $161,595 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,565,344 | $6,733,781 | $6,565,344 | $6,733,781 |

**State Community Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| State General Funds | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 |

**78.1** *Increase funds for preservation of historic sites.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**78.2** *Increase funds for Community Outreach in Action Food Bank. (CC:Increase funds for food banks)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000 | $100,000 |

**78.100 State Community Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist Georgia cities, small towns, and neighborhoods in the development of their core commercial areas, and to champion new development opportunities for rural Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,512,790 | $2,587,790 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,437,790 | $2,437,790 | $2,512,790 | $2,587,790 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 | $1,001,592 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,539,382 | $3,539,382 | $3,614,382 | $3,689,382 |

**State Economic Development Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| State General Funds | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 | $16,107,310 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| Sales and Services | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 | $16,583,398 |

**79.1** *Reduce funds and utilize existing uncommitted Regional Economic Business Assistance (REBA) funds to meet future obligations.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($5,000,000) | ($5,000,000) | ($2,500,000) |

**79.2** *For any jurisdiction levying the tax authorized by O.C.G.A. 48-13-51, which has collected more than $15 million per year in any of the three preceding years, the private sector nonprofit organization engaged to promote tourism, conventions, and trade shows shall not be altered or changed by such jurisdiction unless and until the state commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs approves such alteration or change in writing. (CC:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**79.100 State Economic Development Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and loans to local governments and businesses and to leverage private investment in order to attract and promote economic development and job creation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $16,107,310 | $11,107,310 | $11,107,310 | $13,607,310 |
| **State General Funds** | $16,107,310 | $11,107,310 | $11,107,310 | $13,607,310 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 | $476,088 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 | $345,088 |
| **Sales and Services** | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 | $131,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,583,398 | $11,583,398 | $11,583,398 | $14,083,398 |

**Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| State General Funds | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

**80.98** *Transfer funds and the Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority program from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Transportation as an attached agency pursuant to HB511 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($12,824,445) | ($12,824,445) | ($12,824,445) | ($12,824,445) |

**Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| State General Funds | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 | $1,679,922 |

**81.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District to complete the state's five-year water plan update. (S and CC:Reduce funds for one-time funding for the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District to complete the state's five-year water plan update and reflect a base funding of $250,000)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($550,000) | ($550,000) | ($500,000) | ($500,000) |

**81.100 Payments to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for water, wastewater, solid waste, energy, and land conservation projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,129,922 | $1,129,922 | $1,179,922 | $1,179,922 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,129,922 | $1,129,922 | $1,179,922 | $1,179,922 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,129,922 | $1,129,922 | $1,179,922 | $1,179,922 |

**Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by operating the Xpress bus*

*service, conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Developments of Regional Impact.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| State General Funds | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |

**82.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**82.100 Payments to Georgia Regional Transportation Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve Georgia's mobility, air quality, and land use practices by conducting transportation improvement studies, producing an annual Air Quality Report, and reviewing Development of Regional Impact.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| **State General Funds** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 | $330,465 |

**Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the OneGeorgia Authority.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 |
| State General Funds | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 | $23,675,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 | $23,820,521 |

**83.1** *Increase funds to establish a Rural Innovation Fund to assist rural communities in developing targeted solutions for economic, medical, technological, or infrastructure challenges within their regions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $39,555,757 | $39,555,757 | $39,555,757 | $39,555,757 |

**83.2** *Increase funds to establish a broadband infrastructure grant program to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |

**83.3** *Increase funds to hire a grant administrator and perform mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas. (S:Utilize existing industry and academic partners to evaluate mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas)(CC:Increase funds to hire a grant administrator and perform mapping maintenance to enable rural communities to leverage existing federal, local, and private resources to quickly target high-need broadband expansion within their areas)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $0 | $150,000 |

| **83.100 Payments to OneGeorgia Authority** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds for the OneGeorgia Authority.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $73,230,757 | $73,380,757 | $73,230,757 | $73,380,757 |
| **State General Funds** | $73,230,757 | $73,380,757 | $73,230,757 | $73,380,757 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 | $145,521 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $73,376,278 | $73,526,278 | $73,376,278 | $73,526,278 |

***Section 17: Community Health, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 | $3,751,102,927 |
| State General Funds | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 | $3,051,149,196 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 | $186,152,280 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 | $356,635,695 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 | $8,608,318,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 | $8,163,314,299 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 | $418,319,908 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| Hospital Authorities | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| Sales and Services | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 | $16,629,142,030 |

**Section Total - Final**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,152,783,908 | $4,108,642,116 | $4,087,890,453 | $4,068,945,123 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,481,701,066 | $3,437,559,274 | $3,416,807,611 | $3,397,862,281 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $124,062,351 | $124,062,351 | $124,062,351 | $124,062,351 |
| **Nursing Home Provider Fees** | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 | $387,091,717 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,687,859,701 | $8,890,767,328 | $8,888,523,747 | $8,965,512,600 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 | $26,684,102 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $8,234,102,602 | $8,436,385,663 | $8,434,142,082 | $8,511,130,935 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $427,072,997 | $427,697,563 | $427,697,563 | $427,697,563 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 | $220,774,078 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 | $214,057,828 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 | $3,600,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 | $4,048,946,716 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 | $4,048,616,716 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 | $3,766,590,935 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 | $280,857,262 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $17,110,364,403 | $17,269,130,238 | $17,246,134,994 | $17,304,178,517 |

**Departmental Administration (DCH)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 |
| State General Funds | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 | $79,613,034 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 | $309,226,315 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 | $261,992,629 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 |
| State Funds Transfers | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 | $414,765,703 |

**84.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $311 | $311 | $311 | $311 |

**84.2** *Increase funds for prior authorization of independent laboratory services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 | $1,700,000 |

**84.3** *Increase funds to begin the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,625,513 | $2,625,513 | $2,625,513 | $2,625,513 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $7,929,084 | $7,929,084 | $7,929,084 | $7,929,084 |
| Total Public Funds: | $10,554,597 | $10,554,597 | $10,554,597 | $10,554,597 |

**84.4** *Reduce funds for one-time funding for planning and implementation of an All-Payer Claims Database. (S and CC:Utilize existing funds ($750,000) and increase funds for operations of an All-Payer Claims Database)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($750,000) | ($750,000) | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**84.5** *Increase funds for two senior leadership positions to support the department's increasing workload. (S:Increase funds for three senior leadership positions to support the department's increasing workload including contract oversight and working with the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget on value based purchasing, quality, and outcomes-based reimbursement for Medicaid across all programs)(CC:Increase funds for three senior leadership positions to support the department's increasing workload, including contract oversight)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $556,456 | $834,684 | $834,684 |

**84.6** *Increase funds for a financial specialist. (CC:Increase funds for a business support analyst, a financial analyst, and three compliance specialists to begin October 1, 2021 to support quality incentive payment reimbursements)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $129,397 | $724,641 |

| **84.100 Departmental Administration (DCH)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $82,338,858 | $82,895,314 | $84,102,939 | $84,698,183 |
| **State General Funds** | $82,338,858 | $82,895,314 | $84,102,939 | $84,698,183 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $318,005,399 | $318,005,399 | $318,005,399 | $318,005,399 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 | $17,778,946 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $270,771,713 | $270,771,713 | $270,771,713 | $270,771,713 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 | $29,454,740 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 | $3,116,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 | $22,810,104 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 | $22,480,104 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 | $1,168,519 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 | $21,311,585 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 | $330,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $426,270,611 | $426,827,067 | $428,034,692 | $428,629,936 |

**Georgia Board of Dentistry** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| State General Funds | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |

**85.100 Georgia Board of Dentistry** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified applicants as dentists and dental hygienists, regulating the practice of dentistry, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary action when warranted.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| **State General Funds** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 | $791,728 |

**Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| State General Funds | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

**86.100 Georgia State Board of Pharmacy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect public health by licensing qualified pharmacists and pharmacies, regulating the practice of pharmacy, investigating complaints, and taking appropriate disciplinary actions when warranted.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| **State General Funds** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 | $730,696 |

**Health Care Access and Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| State General Funds | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 |

**87.1** *Eliminate funds for one-time start-up funding for Federally Qualified Health Centers.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($500,000) | ($500,000) | ($500,000) |

**87.2** *Increase funds for two Federally Qualified Health Center start-up grants in Jeff Davis County and Marion County.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $0 | $500,000 |

**87.3** *Reduce one-time funds for Rural Hospital Stabilization Grants from $15 million to $3 million and review the grant process and report potential new formal grant processes to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees. (CC:Reduce one-time funds for Rural Hospital Stabilization Grants from $15 million to $9 million and review the grant process and report potential new formal grant processes to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee, the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, and the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($12,000,000) | ($6,000,000) |

**87.4** *Increase funds to provide an additional three year grant to rural hospitals for Electronic Intensive Care Units (EICU) to improve patient outcomes and reduce the need for long distance travel away from local communities to obtain this level of care.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**87.5** *Eliminate funds for start-up funding for a charity clinic.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($100,000) | ($100,000) |

**87.6** *Increase funds for South Central Primary Care Center dental program.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,000 | $125,000 |

**87.100 Health Care Access and Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants and other support services for programs that seek to improve health access and outcomes in rural and underserved areas of Georgia through the State Office of Rural Health, the various commissions of the Office of Health Improvement, and the Office of Health Information Technology and Transparency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $13,254,076 | $19,754,076 |
| **State General Funds** | $25,429,076 | $25,429,076 | $13,254,076 | $19,754,076 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 | $588,838 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 | $172,588 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 | $416,250 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,017,914 | $26,017,914 | $13,842,914 | $20,342,914 |

**Healthcare Facility Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 |
| State General Funds | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 | $13,763,143 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 | $25,868,720 |

**88.1** *Increase funds for contracts for nursing home surveys to ensure safe and healthy living conditions for residents of long term care and health care facilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 | $4,860,000 |

**88.2** *Increase funds to support strategic measures for stabilizing staffing in the nursing home program. (S:YES; Increase funds to support strategic measures for stabilizing staffing and addressing the surveying backlog in the nursing home program and submit reports twice a year addressing progress on implementation of the stabilization plan and the reduction of the survey backlog to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees)(CC:Increase funds to support strategic measures for stabilizing staffing and addressing the surveying backlog in the nursing home program and submit reports twice a year addressing progress on implementation of the stabilization plan and the reduction of the survey backlog to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee, the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, and the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $7,454,466 | $7,454,466 | $7,454,466 |

**88.3** *Add funds for a deputy director position to support skilled nursing facility quality incentives. (CC:Add funds for a nurse manager and two business support analysts to begin October 1, 2021 to support skilled nursing facility quality incentive payment reimbursements)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $153,900 | $265,309 |

| **88.100 Healthcare Facility Regulation** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to inspect and license long term care and health care facilities.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,623,143 | $26,077,609 | $26,231,509 | $26,342,918 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,623,143 | $26,077,609 | $26,231,509 | $26,342,918 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 | $12,005,577 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 | $5,945,354 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 | $6,060,223 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,728,720 | $38,183,186 | $38,337,086 | $38,448,495 |

**Indigent Care Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 | $257,075,969 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| Hospital Authorities | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| Sales and Services | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 | $399,662,493 |

**89.1** *Increase funds to annualize the state match for Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments for private deemed and non-deemed hospitals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $70,580,694 | $70,580,694 | $70,580,694 | $70,580,694 |
| Total Public Funds: | $105,580,694 | $105,580,694 | $105,580,694 | $105,580,694 |

**89.100 Indigent Care Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support rural and other healthcare providers, primarily hospitals that serve medically indigent Georgians.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 | $35,000,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 | $327,656,663 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 | $142,586,524 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 | $139,386,524 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 | $3,200,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $505,243,187 | $505,243,187 | $505,243,187 | $505,243,187 |

**Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 | $2,073,161,814 |
| State General Funds | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 | $1,873,446,555 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 | $157,165,756 |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 | $36,357,697 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 | $4,348,243,802 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 | $4,345,456,588 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| Hospital Authorities | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| State Funds Transfers | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 | $6,751,037,236 |

**90.1** *Reduce funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($72,078,593) | ($72,078,593) | ($72,078,593) | ($72,078,593) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($145,615,738) | ($145,615,738) | ($145,615,738) | ($145,615,738) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($217,694,331) | ($217,694,331) | ($217,694,331) | ($217,694,331) |

**90.2** *Increase funds for the hold harmless provision in Medicare Part B premiums.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,309,642 | $6,309,642 | $6,309,642 | $6,309,642 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $12,385,594 | $12,385,594 | $12,385,594 | $12,385,594 |
| Total Public Funds: | $18,695,236 | $18,695,236 | $18,695,236 | $18,695,236 |

**90.3** *Increase funds for the Medicare Part D Clawback payment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,463,107 | $6,463,107 | $6,463,107 | $6,463,107 |

**90.4** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. (H and S:Adjust funds to reflect savings from the temporary 6.2% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase through September 30, 2021)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $81,809,247 | $7,162,502 | $7,162,502 | $7,162,502 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($81,809,247) | ($7,162,502) | ($7,162,502) | ($7,162,502) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.5** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $21,361,609 | $21,361,609 | $21,361,609 | $21,361,609 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($21,361,609) | ($21,361,609) | ($21,361,609) | ($21,361,609) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.6** *Replace funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,763,018) | ($2,763,018) | ($2,763,018) | ($2,763,018) |
| Nursing Home Provider Fees | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 | $2,763,018 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.7** *Replace funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,104,879) | ($3,104,879) | ($3,104,879) | ($3,104,879) |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $3,104,879 | $3,104,879 | $3,104,879 | $3,104,879 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**90.8** *Increase funds for a 2% rate increase for skilled nursing centers. (S:Update nursing home reimbursement rates and general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components to reflect 2019 cost reports with 3% inflation)(CC:Update nursing home reimbursement rates and general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components to reflect 2019 cost reports with 5% inflation and amend the state plan to update the cost report no less than every two years)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,932,550 | $11,363,188 | $19,969,376 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $24,117,450 | $22,914,906 | $40,270,070 |
| Total Public Funds: | $36,050,000 | $34,278,094 | $60,239,446 |

**90.9** *Increase funds for skilled nursing centers to update the general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax*

*pass-through rate components to current costs. (S:Reflect update on the general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components in 2019 cost reports on 90.8)(CC:Increase funds for skilled nursing centers to update the general and professional liability, property insurance, and property tax pass-through rate components to current costs)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,470,204 | $0 | $3,470,204 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $7,013,796 | $0 | $7,013,796 |
| Total Public Funds: | $10,484,000 | $0 | $10,484,000 |

**90.10** *Increase funds for a 10% rate increase for home and community-based service providers. (S and CC:Increase funds and utilize federal funds to reflect the 10% increase in FMAP for home and community-based providers from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,328,540 | $19,593,271 | $19,593,271 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $51,192,728 | $56,927,997 | $56,927,997 |
| Total Public Funds: | $76,521,268 | $76,521,268 | $76,521,268 |

**90.11** *Increase funds for a 3% increase in dental reimbursement rates for 15 select dental codes.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,505 | $30,505 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $61,641 | $61,641 |
| Total Public Funds: | $92,146 | $92,146 |

**90.12** *The department shall evaluate the feasibility of funding portable radiography and accredited mobile imaging services in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, or in the home. (S:YES)(CC:Increase funds to implement portable radiography and accredited mobile imaging services in nursing homes, assisted living facilities, or in the home)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $250,000 |

**90.13** *Utilize existing state and enhanced American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 federal funds to provide supplemental quality incentive payments to eligible skilled nursing facilities. (S:YES)(CC:Increase funds to provide supplemental quality incentive payments to eligible skilled nursing facilities limited to appropriated amount)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $12,000,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | | $24,253,776 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $36,253,776 |

**90.14** *Increase funds for a 5.9% increase in nursing home ventilator reimbursement rate.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $387,270 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $780,965 |
| Total Public Funds: | $1,168,235 |

**90.15** *Increase funds for a one-year hold harmless for skilled nursing home facilities that meet minimum quality standards as prescribed by the Department of Community Health for losses under the transition to the 2019 cost report.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $8,000,000 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $16,169,184 |
| Total Public Funds: | $24,169,184 |

**90.100 Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health care access primarily to elderly and disabled individuals. There is also hereby appropriated to the Department of Community Health a specific sum of money equal to all the provider fees paid to the Indigent Care Trust Fund created pursuant to Article 6A of chapter 8 of Title 31. The sum of money is appropriated for payments for nursing homes pursuant to Article 6A.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,117,026,826 | $2,083,111,375 | $2,073,367,045 | $2,106,080,707 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,911,443,670 | $1,877,528,219 | $1,867,783,889 | $1,900,497,551 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 | $6,191,806 |
| **Nursing Home Provider Fees** | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 | $159,928,774 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $39,462,576 | $39,462,576 | $39,462,576 | $39,462,576 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,111,842,802 | $4,268,813,521 | $4,266,394,091 | $4,331,966,976 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 | $2,787,214 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $4,109,055,588 | $4,266,026,307 | $4,263,606,877 | $4,329,179,762 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 | $62,342,988 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 | $267,288,632 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,558,501,248 | $6,681,556,516 | $6,669,392,756 | $6,767,679,303 |

**Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 | $1,403,402,436 |
| State General Funds | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 | $903,163,964 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 | $179,960,474 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hospital Provider Fee | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 | $320,277,998 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 | $3,292,312,640 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| Hospital Authorities | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| State Funds Transfers | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 | $4,721,460,239 |

**91.1** *Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $132,228,023 | $132,228,023 | $132,228,023 | $116,399,494 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $267,131,757 | $267,131,757 | $267,131,757 | $235,260,609 |
| Total Public Funds: | $399,359,780 | $399,359,780 | $399,359,780 | $351,660,103 |

**91.2** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. (H and S:Adjust funds to reflect savings from the temporary 6.2% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) increase through September 30, 2021)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $78,944,842 | $47,977,836 | $47,977,836 | $4,690,720 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($78,944,842) | ($47,977,836) | ($47,977,836) | ($4,690,720) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.3** *Increase funds to restore a one-time reduction from retro rate amendment and risk corridors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $51,097,342 | $51,097,342 | $51,097,342 | $51,097,342 |

**91.4** *Replace funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $62,089,929 | $62,089,929 | $62,089,929 | $62,089,929 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) | ($62,089,929) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.5** *Reduce funds to reflect a repeal of the Health Insurer Fee (HIF) Moratorium.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($38,545,835) | ($38,545,835) | ($38,545,835) | ($38,545,835) |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($78,605,856) | ($78,605,856) | ($78,605,856) | ($78,605,856) |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Total Public Funds: | ($117,151,691) | ($117,151,691) | ($117,151,691) | ($117,151,691) |

**91.6** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $13,080,620 | $13,080,620 | $13,080,620 | $13,080,620 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($13,080,620) | ($13,080,620) | ($13,080,620) | ($13,080,620) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.7** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.92% to 76.80%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $678,663 | $678,663 | $678,663 | $678,663 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | ($678,663) | ($678,663) | ($678,663) | ($678,663) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.8** *Replace funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($27,351,143) | ($27,351,143) | ($27,351,143) | ($27,351,143) |
| Hospital Provider Fee | $27,351,143 | $27,351,143 | $27,351,143 | $27,351,143 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**91.9** *Increase funds to begin implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $65,460,836 | $65,460,836 | $65,460,836 | $65,460,836 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $132,007,749 | $132,007,749 | $132,007,749 | $132,007,749 |
| Total Public Funds: | $197,468,585 | $197,468,585 | $197,468,585 | $197,468,585 |

**91.10** *Increase funds to increase 18 select primary care and OB/GYN codes to 2020 Medicare levels.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,097,618 | $7,097,618 | $7,097,618 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $14,345,336 | $14,345,336 | $14,345,336 |
| Total Public Funds: | $21,442,954 | $21,442,954 | $21,442,954 |

**91.11** *Increase funds for a 3% increase in dental reimbursement rates for 15 select dental codes.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $84,765 | $84,765 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $171,284 | $171,284 |
| Total Public Funds: | $256,049 | $256,049 |

**91.100 Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide healthcare access primarily to low-income individuals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,706,346,927 | $1,682,477,539 | $1,682,562,304 | $1,623,446,659 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,240,847,241 | $1,216,977,853 | $1,217,062,618 | $1,157,946,973 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $117,870,545 | $117,870,545 | $117,870,545 | $117,870,545 |
| **Hospital Provider Fee** | $347,629,141 | $347,629,141 | $347,629,141 | $347,629,141 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,520,142,165 | $3,565,454,507 | $3,565,625,791 | $3,577,041,759 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $3,520,142,165 | $3,565,454,507 | $3,565,625,791 | $3,577,041,759 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **Hospital Authorities** | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 | $12,328,316 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 | $13,416,847 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,252,234,255 | $5,273,677,209 | $5,273,933,258 | $5,226,233,581 |

**PeachCare** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 |
| State General Funds | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 | $67,201,894 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 | $388,865,168 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| State Funds Transfers | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| Optional Medicaid Services Payments | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 | $456,218,845 |

**92.1** *Increase funds for growth in Medicaid based on projected need.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,013,032 | $4,013,032 | $4,013,032 | $4,013,032 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | $14,199,875 | $14,199,875 | $14,199,875 | $14,199,875 |
| Total Public Funds: | $18,212,907 | $18,212,907 | $18,212,907 | $18,212,907 |

**92.2** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. (H and S:Adjust funds to reflect savings from the temporary 6.2% Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP)*

*increase through September 30, 2021)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,671,721 | $4,047,155 | $4,047,155 | $4,047,155 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | ($4,671,721) | ($4,047,155) | ($4,047,155) | ($4,047,155) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**92.3** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.92% to 76.80%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $775,065 | $775,065 | $775,065 | $775,065 |
| State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767 | ($775,065) | ($775,065) | ($775,065) | ($775,065) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**92.4** *Increase funds for a 3% increase in dental reimbursement rates for 15 select dental codes.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,377 | $1,377 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | | | $4,565 | $4,565 |
| Total Public Funds: | | | $5,942 | $5,942 |

**92.100 PeachCare** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide health insurance coverage for qualified low-income Georgia children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $76,661,712 | $76,037,146 | $76,038,523 | $76,038,523 |
| **State General Funds** | $76,661,712 | $76,037,146 | $76,038,523 | $76,038,523 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $397,618,257 | $398,242,823 | $398,247,388 | $398,247,388 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | | | $4,565 | $4,565 |
| **State Children's Insurance Program CFDA93.767** | $397,618,257 | $398,242,823 | $398,242,823 | $398,242,823 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **Optional Medicaid Services Payments** | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 | $151,783 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $474,431,752 | $474,431,752 | $474,437,694 | $474,437,694 |

**State Health Benefit Plan** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| Health Insurance Payments | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |

**93.1** *Increase funds for a pilot program for a drug deactivation system that provides a safe disposal of unused prescription and over-the-counter medications. (S and CC:YES; Utilize existing funds for pilot program for drug disposal or deactivation of prescription drugs)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $0 | $0 |

**93.2** *Utilize existing funds to begin a pilot program for the use of care coordination and technology in rural areas for patients with chronic medical conditions. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**93.100 State Health Benefit Plan** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a healthcare benefit for teachers and state employees that is competitive with other commercial benefit plans in quality of care and access to providers; and to provide for the efficient management of provider fees and utilization rates.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $500,000 | $0 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $500,000 | $0 | $0 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **Health Insurance Payments** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,779,350 | $3,745,279,350 | $3,745,279,350 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Board Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| State General Funds | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |

| **94.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Board Administration** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all agency programs.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 | $1,012,131 |

| **Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Graduate Medical Education** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| State General Funds | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 | $21,961,354 |

**95.1** *Increase funds to reflect a reduction in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.30% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $245,075 | $245,075 | $245,075 | $245,075 |

**95.2** *Increase funds for 188 new residency slots in primary care medicine.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,580,761 | $2,580,761 | $2,580,761 | $2,580,761 |

**95.3** *Coordinate with medical education programs to develop a graduate medical education program to address the shortage of medical examiners. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:Increase funds to coordinate with medical education programs to develop graduate medical programs to address the shortage of medical examiners and forensic pathologists)(CC:YES; Coordinate with medical education programs to develop graduate medical programs to address the shortage of medical examiners and forensic pathologists)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $250,000 | $0 |

**95.4** *Increase funds for the initial planning work for the establishment of a graduate medical education program at Southeast Georgia Health System. (S:Increase funds for the development and implementation of a formal grant program for new graduate medical education programs in Georgia, and report on the grant process and the evaluation of the need for additional graduate medical education throughout the state to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Health Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Community Health Subcommittee and the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees)(CC:Increase funds for the initial*

*planning work for the establishment of two graduate medical education programs)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $180,000 | $350,000 | $300,000 |

**95.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Graduate Medical Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to address the physician workforce needs of Georgia communities through the support and development of medical education programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,787,190 | $24,967,190 | $25,387,190 | $25,087,190 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,787,190 | $24,967,190 | $25,387,190 | $25,087,190 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,787,190 | $24,967,190 | $25,387,190 | $25,087,190 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Mercer School of Medicine Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| State General Funds | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 | $24,881,103 |

**96.1** *Increase funds for the second year of the seven-year plan for Mercer School of Medicine's medical school campus in Columbus.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $5,326,691 | $5,326,691 | $5,326,691 |

**96.2** *Increase funds for a medical examiner/forensic pathologist at Mercer School of Medicine. (CC:Increase funds for two medical examiner/forensic pathologists at Mercer School of Medicine)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $250,000 | $0 | $500,000 |

**96.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Mercer School of Medicine Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Mercer University School of Medicine to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,881,103 | $30,457,794 | $30,207,794 | $30,707,794 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $24,881,103 | $30,457,794 | $30,207,794 | $30,707,794 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,881,103 | $30,457,794 | $30,207,794 | $30,707,794 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine and affiliated hospitals to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| State General Funds | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |

**97.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Morehouse School of Medicine Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for the Morehouse School of Medicine and affiliated hospitals to help ensure an adequate supply of primary and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 | $28,931,713 |

**Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Physicians for Rural Areas** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| State General Funds | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 |

**98.1** *Increase funds to expand physician loan forgiveness program to include forensic pathology fellowship program at Georgia Bureau of Investigation in partnership with Medical College of Georgia. (CC:Increase funds to expand physician loan forgiveness program to include forensic pathology fellowship program at Georgia Bureau of Investigation in partnership with medical colleges)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000 | $100,000 |

| **98.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Physicians for Rural Areas** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of physicians in rural areas of the state, and to provide a program of aid to promising medical students.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,780,000 | $1,830,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,780,000 | $1,830,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,730,000 | $1,730,000 | $1,780,000 | $1,830,000 |

| **Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Undergraduate Medical Education** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| State General Funds | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |

| **99.100 Health Care Workforce, Georgia Board of: Undergraduate Medical Education** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an adequate supply of primary care and other needed physician specialists through a public/private partnership with medical schools in Georgia.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 | $3,820,783 |

| **Georgia Composite Medical Board** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to license qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| State General Funds | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Sales and Services | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 |

**100.100 Georgia Composite Medical Board** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to license qualified applicants as physicians, physician's assistants, respiratory care professionals, perfusionists, acupuncturists, orthotists, prosthetists, and auricular (ear) detoxification specialists. Also, investigate complaints and discipline those who violate the Medical Practice Act or other laws governing the professional behavior of the Board licensees.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 | $2,365,838 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 | $2,665,838 |

**Drugs and Narcotics Agency, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| State General Funds | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

**101.100 Drugs and Narcotics Agency, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the general public by providing an enforcement presence to oversee all laws and regulations pertaining to controlled substances and dangerous drugs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 | $2,306,184 |

***Section 18: Community Supervision, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 |
| State General Funds | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 | $166,417,149 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| Sales and Services | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 | $166,894,345 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $166,417,855 | $166,417,855 | $165,165,905 | $166,417,855 |
| **State General Funds** | $166,417,855 | $166,417,855 | $165,165,905 | $166,417,855 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **Sales and Services** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 | $171,229 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $166,895,051 | $166,895,051 | $165,643,101 | $166,895,051 |

**Departmental Administration (DCS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| State General Funds | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |

**102.1** *Develop an electronic monitoring supervision program using innovative 21st century technology on offenders being supervised by the Department of Community Supervision. (S:YES)(CC:Continue electronic monitoring supervision program using innovative 21st century technology on offenders being supervised by the Department of Community Supervision)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**102.100 Departmental Administration (DCS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 | $9,457,738 |

**Field Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve Georgia citizens through effective and efficient offender supervision in communities, while providing opportunities for successful outcomes.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 |
| State General Funds | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 | $152,116,636 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| Sales and Services | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 | $152,126,636 |

**103.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $706 | $706 | $706 | $706 |

**103.2** *Reduce funds for contracts. (CC:Redirect funds from unrenewed contracts to support positions that perform counseling services)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($1,251,950) | $0 |

**103.100 Field Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve Georgia citizens through effective and efficient offender supervision in communities, while providing opportunities for successful outcomes.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $152,117,342 | $152,117,342 | $150,865,392 | $152,117,342 |
| **State General Funds** | $152,117,342 | $152,117,342 | $150,865,392 | $152,117,342 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $152,127,342 | $152,127,342 | $150,875,392 | $152,127,342 |

**Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a collaboration of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders to develop and*

*execute a systematic reentry plan for Georgia offenders and ensure the delivery of services to reduce recidivism and support the success of returning citizens.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| State General Funds | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |

**104.100 Governor's Office of Transition, Support and Reentry** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a collaboration of governmental and non-governmental stakeholders to develop and execute a systematic reentry plan for Georgia offenders and ensure the delivery of services to reduce recidivism and support the success of returning citizens.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 | $3,525,100 |

**Misdemeanor Probation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of all governmental and private misdemeanor probation providers through inspection and investigation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| State General Funds | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |

**105.100 Misdemeanor Probation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of all governmental and private misdemeanor probation providers through inspection and investigation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| **State General Funds** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 | $831,165 |

**Family Violence, Georgia Commission on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the study and evaluation of needs and services relating to family violence in Georgia, develop models for community task forces on family violence, provide training and continuing education on the dynamics of family*

*violence, and develop standards to be used in the certification and regulation of Family Violence Intervention Programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| State General Funds | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| Sales and Services | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 |

**106.100 Family Violence, Georgia Commission on** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the study and evaluation of needs and services relating to family violence in Georgia, develop models for community task forces on family violence, provide training and continuing education on the dynamics of family violence, and develop standards to be used in the certification and regulation of Family Violence Intervention Programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| **State General Funds** | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 | $486,510 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 | $305,967 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **Sales and Services** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 | $161,229 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 | $953,706 |

***Section 19: Corrections, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 |
| State General Funds | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 | $1,127,610,719 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| Sales and Services | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 | $1,141,345,877 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 | $1,127,622,191 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 | $170,555 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **Sales and Services** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 | $13,564,603 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,141,357,349 | $1,141,357,349 | $1,141,357,349 | $1,141,357,349 |

**County Jail Subsidy** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| State General Funds | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

**107.100 County Jail Subsidy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to reimburse counties for the costs of incarcerating state prisoners in their local facilities after sentencing.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

**Departmental Administration (DOC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| State General Funds | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 | $32,642,375 |

**108.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $897 | $897 | $897 | $897 |

**108.2** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**108.100 Departmental Administration (DOC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by providing an effective and efficient department that administers a balanced correctional system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 | $32,643,272 |

**Detention Centers** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 |
| State General Funds | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 | $47,840,297 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| Sales and Services | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 | $50,293,797 |

**109.1** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons program to the Detention Centers program due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system for a contract rate increase for residential substance abuse treatment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,016,262 | $3,016,262 | $3,016,262 | $3,016,262 |

**109.2** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**109.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**109.100 Detention Centers** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, vocational training, work details, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for probationers who require more security or supervision than provided by regular community supervision.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 |
| **State General Funds** | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 | $50,856,559 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 | $2,453,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $53,310,059 | $53,310,059 | $53,310,059 | $53,310,059 |

**Food and Farm Operations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| State General Funds | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |

**110.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**110.100 Food and Farm Operations** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage timber, raise crops and livestock, and produce dairy items used in preparing meals for offenders.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| **State General Funds** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 | $27,456,832 |

**Health** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates*

*of the state correctional system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 |
| State General Funds | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 | $247,591,112 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| Sales and Services | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 | $248,051,667 |

**111.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,193 | $1,193 | $1,193 | $1,193 |

**111.100 Health** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the required constitutional level of physical, dental, and mental health care to all inmates of the state correctional system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 |
| **State General Funds** | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 | $247,592,305 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 | $70,555 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 | $390,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $248,052,860 | $248,052,860 | $248,052,860 | $248,052,860 |

**Offender Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| State General Funds | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Sales and Services | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 |

**112.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**112.100 Offender Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and operate the following agency-wide support services to ensure public safety: canine units, the County Correctional Institutions program, Correctional Emergency Response Teams, inmate classification, inmate diagnostics, the jail coordination unit, the release and agreements unit, and tactical squads.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| **State General Funds** | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 | $43,992,694 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 | $44,022,694 |

**Private Prisons** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public safety.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| State General Funds | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |

**113.1** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**113.100 Private Prisons** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to contract with private companies to provide cost effective prison facilities that ensure public*

*safety.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| **State General Funds** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 | $127,161,280 |

**State Prisons** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 |
| State General Funds | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 | $574,515,711 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| Sales and Services | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 | $585,306,814 |

**114.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,382 | $9,382 | $9,382 | $9,382 |

**114.2** *Transfer funds from the State Prisons program to the Detention Centers program due to savings from implementation of a new timekeeping system for a contract rate increase for residential substance abuse treatment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,016,262) | ($3,016,262) | ($3,016,262) | ($3,016,262) |

**114.3** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**114.4** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**114.100 State Prisons** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide housing, academic education, religious support, vocational training, counseling, and substance abuse treatment for violent and/or repeat offenders, or nonviolent offenders who have exhausted all other forms of punishment in a secure, well-supervised setting; to assist in the reentry of these offenders back into society; and to provide fire services and work details to the Department, state agencies, and local communities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 |
| **State General Funds** | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 | $571,508,831 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 | $10,691,103 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $582,299,934 | $582,299,934 | $582,299,934 | $582,299,934 |

**Transition Centers** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| State General Funds | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

**115.1** *Prioritize offender bed use at existing facilities statewide due to a reduced offender population to mitigate the need for future facility expansions. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**115.2** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10% increase for correctional officers in state prison facilities. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**115.100 Transition Centers** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide "work release," allowing inmates to obtain and maintain a paying job in the community, while still receiving housing, academic education, counseling, and substance abuse treatment in a structured center.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 | $26,405,418 |

***Section 20: Defense, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| State General Funds | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 | $10,904,333 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Royalties and Rents | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Sales and Services | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 | $122,885,125 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 | $10,904,440 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 | $93,149,285 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 | $18,831,507 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 | $1,579,275 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $122,885,232 | $122,885,232 | $122,885,232 | $122,885,232 |

**Departmental Administration (DOD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| State General Funds | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 |

**116.100 Departmental Administration (DOD)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration to the organized militia in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 | $1,188,886 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 | $721,107 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 | $1,909,993 |

**Military Readiness** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and maintain facilities for the training of Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force personnel, and to provide an organized militia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| State General Funds | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| Royalties and Rents | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| Sales and Services | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 |

| **117.100 Military Readiness** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide and maintain facilities for the training of Army National Guard, Air National Guard, and State Defense Force personnel, and to provide an organized militia that can be activated and deployed at the direction of the President or Governor for a man-made crisis or natural disaster.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 | $5,359,363 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 | $77,768,534 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 | $18,827,629 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 | $17,081,061 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 | $171,171 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 | $1,575,397 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 | $101,955,526 |

| **Youth Educational Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| State General Funds | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 | $4,356,084 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| Sales and Services | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 | $19,019,606 |

| **118.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.* | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $107 | $107 | $107 | $107 |

| **118.100 Youth Educational Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational and vocational opportunities to at-risk youth through Youth Challenge Academies and Starbase programs.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 | $4,356,191 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 | $14,659,644 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 | $3,878 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,019,713 | $19,019,713 | $19,019,713 | $19,019,713 |

***Section 21: Driver Services, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 |
| State General Funds | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 | $63,127,091 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| Sales and Services | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 | $65,971,212 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $63,127,927 | $66,622,794 | $65,612,340 | $66,812,340 |
| **State General Funds** | $63,127,927 | $66,622,794 | $65,612,340 | $66,812,340 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 | $2,844,121 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $65,972,048 | $69,466,915 | $68,456,461 | $69,656,461 |

**Departmental Administration (DDS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| State General Funds | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| Sales and Services | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 |

**119.100 Departmental Administration (DDS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is for administration of license issuance, motor vehicle registration, and commercial truck compliance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 | $9,419,138 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **Sales and Services** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 | $500,857 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 | $9,919,995 |

**License Issuance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 |
| State General Funds | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 | $52,898,165 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| Sales and Services | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 | $54,726,000 |

**120.1** *Utilize savings from reduced mainframe usage to fund maintenance and operations for the DRIVES system. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**120.2** *Increase funds to increase base salaries to address high turnover and retain critical positions in customer service centers, the contact center, help desk, central issuance, and records management. (S and CC:Increase funds to raise salary plans by $2,000 for critical positions in customer service centers, the contact center, help desk, central issuance, and records management)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,244,867 | $2,234,413 | $2,234,413 |

**120.3** *Increase funds to provide a voter identification outreach program to facilitate the Georgia I.D. registration process.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |

**120.4** *Increase funds for construction and equipment for a new Commercial Driver License (CDL) testing pad and carousel in southeast Georgia.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,200,000 |

**120.100 License Issuance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to issue and renew drivers' licenses, maintain driver records, operate Customer Service Centers, provide online access to services, provide motorcycle safety instruction, produce driver manuals, and investigate driver's license fraud.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $52,898,165 | $56,393,032 | $55,382,578 | $56,582,578 |
| **State General Funds** | $52,898,165 | $56,393,032 | $55,382,578 | $56,582,578 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 | $1,827,835 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $54,726,000 | $58,220,867 | $57,210,413 | $58,410,413 |

**Regulatory Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| State General Funds | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 | $809,788 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| Sales and Services | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 | $1,325,217 |

**121.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $836 | $836 | $836 | $836 |

**121.100 Regulatory Compliance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate driver safety and education programs for both novice and problem drivers by approving driver education curricula and auditing third-party driver education providers for compliance with state laws and regulations; and to certify ignition interlock device providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $810,624 | $810,624 | $810,624 | $810,624 |
| **State General Funds** | $810,624 | $810,624 | $810,624 | $810,624 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **Sales and Services** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 | $515,429 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,326,053 | $1,326,053 | $1,326,053 | $1,326,053 |

***Section 22: Early Care and Learning, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 | $432,877,549 |
| State General Funds | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 | $905,172,396 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $434,956,103 | $440,286,101 | $440,286,101 | $440,286,101 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $54,226,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $380,729,868 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 | $471,959,847 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 | $155,318,969 |
| **CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596** | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 | $224,092,334 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $907,250,950 | $912,580,948 | $912,580,948 | $912,580,948 |

**Child Care Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| State General Funds | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 | $54,226,235 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 |
| CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 | $320,518,848 |

**122.1** *Increase funds for the Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) program to provide assistance to low-income families for the cost of childcare.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |

**122.2** *Recognize $606,960,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Child Care and Development Block Grant CFDA 93.575. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 |

**122.3** *Recognize $26,728,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Head Start Coordination CFDA 93.600. (S:YES)(CC:YES; Recognize $26,728,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Head Start Coordination CFDA 93.600 with funds going directly to childcare providers for Head Start coordination)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**122.4** *Recognize $970,772,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Child Care Stabilization Grants. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**122.5** *Recognize $17,504,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for an increase in the matching portion of the CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA 93.596. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**122.100 Child Care Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate, license, and train child care providers; to support the infant and toddler and afterschool networks; and to provide inclusion services for children with disabilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,226,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,226,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 | $57,726,235 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 | $266,292,613 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 | $3,862,250 |
| **CCDF Mandatory & Matching Funds CFDA93.596** | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 | $92,548,544 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 | $169,881,819 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $320,518,848 | $324,018,848 | $324,018,848 | $324,018,848 |

**Nutrition Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

**123.100 Nutrition Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that USDA-compliant meals are served to eligible children and adults in day care settings and to eligible youth during the summer.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 | $148,000,000 |

**Pre-Kindergarten Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 | $378,651,314 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 | $378,826,314 |

**124.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $602,706 | $602,706 | $602,706 | $602,706 |

**124.2** *Increase formula funds for training and experience for Pre-K teachers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $1,475,848 | $1,475,848 | $1,475,848 | $1,475,848 |

**124.3** *Increase funds for Pre-K classroom operations by 2.5%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | | $1,748,849 | $1,748,849 | $1,748,849 |

**124.4** *Increase funds for one Pre-K Specialist position that was eliminated in FY2021.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | | $81,149 | $81,149 | $81,149 |

**124.100 Pre-Kindergarten Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding, training, technical assistance, and oversight of Pre-Kindergarten programs operated by public and private providers throughout the state and to improve the quality of early learning and increase school readiness for Georgia's four-year-olds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $380,729,868 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $380,729,868 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 | $382,559,866 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 | $175,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $380,904,868 | $382,734,866 | $382,734,866 | $382,734,866 |

**Quality Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 |

**125.100 Quality Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement innovative strategies and programs that focus on improving the quality of and access to early education, child care, and nutrition for Georgia's children and families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 | $57,492,234 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 | $3,281,719 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 | $54,210,515 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 | $305,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 | $30,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 | $57,827,234 |

***Section 23: Economic Development, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 |
| State General Funds | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 | $31,041,806 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 | $31,701,206 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $31,067,472 | $33,907,146 | $31,483,146 | $31,519,006 |
| **State General Funds** | $31,067,472 | $33,907,146 | $31,483,146 | $31,519,006 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $31,726,872 | $34,566,546 | $32,142,546 | $32,178,406 |

**Departmental Administration (DEcD)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| State General Funds | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 | $4,816,926 |

**126.1** *Increase funds for rent to meet actual expenditures.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |

| **126.100 Departmental Administration (DEcD)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to influence, affect, and enhance economic development in Georgia and provide information to people and companies to promote the state.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,816,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,816,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,816,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 | $4,971,926 |

**Film, Video, and Music** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| State General Funds | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 |

**127.1** *Increase funds for personnel for a music project manager. (CC:NO)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 | $0 |

| **127.100 Film, Video, and Music** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to increase industry awareness of Georgia business opportunities, financial incentives, infrastructure resources, and natural resources in order to attract film, video, music, and electronic gaming industry projects and businesses to the state.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,165,872 | $1,015,872 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,165,872 | $1,015,872 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,015,872 | $1,015,872 | $1,165,872 | $1,015,872 |

**Arts, Georgia Council for the** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| State General Funds | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |

**128.100 Arts, Georgia Council for the** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for Council operations and maintain the Georgia State Art Collection and Capitol Galleries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| **State General Funds** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 | $525,861 |

**Georgia Council for the Arts - Special Project** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase arts participation and support throughout the state with grants for non-profit arts and cultural organizations through Partner Grants, Project Grants, Education Grants and the 'Grassroots' arts program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| State General Funds | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 |

**129.1** *Recognize $914,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the National Endowment for the Arts Grants CFDA 45.024. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**129.100 Georgia Council for the Arts - Special Project** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to increase arts participation and support throughout the state with grants for non-profit arts and cultural organizations through Partner Grants, Project Grants, Education Grants and the 'Grassroots' arts program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| **State General Funds** | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 | $976,356 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 | $659,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 | $1,635,756 |

**Global Commerce** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; and help develop international markets for Georgia products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| State General Funds | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 | $9,438,202 |

**130.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $480 | $480 | $480 | $480 |

**130.2** *Increase funds for one project manager position. (CC:Increase funds for two project manager positions)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $85,860 | $85,860 | $171,720 |

**130.100 Global Commerce** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote Georgia as a state that is appealing to businesses along with being competitive in the international trade market; recruit, retain, and expand businesses in Georgia through a network of statewide and regional project managers, foreign and domestic marketing, and participation in Georgia Allies; and help develop international markets for Georgia products and attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing international technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,438,682 | $9,524,542 | $9,524,542 | $9,610,402 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,438,682 | $9,524,542 | $9,524,542 | $9,610,402 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,438,682 | $9,524,542 | $9,524,542 | $9,610,402 |

**International Relations and Trade** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop international markets for Georgia products and to attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing*

*technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| State General Funds | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,545,794 |

**131.1** *Increase funds for inflationary costs to existing contracts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $100,000 | $0 | $100,000 |

**131.100 International Relations and Trade** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop international markets for Georgia products and to attract international companies to the state through business and trade missions, foreign advertising, a network of overseas offices and representatives, and by providing technical and educational assistance to businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 | $2,545,794 | $2,645,794 |

**Rural Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote rural economic development opportunities and to recruit, retain and expand businesses in rural communities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| State General Funds | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

**132.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,186 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**132.100 Rural Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote rural economic development opportunities and to recruit, retain and expand businesses in rural communities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $454,181 | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $454,181 | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $454,181 | $452,995 | $452,995 | $452,995 |

**Small and Minority Business Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers; and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| State General Funds | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |

**133.100 Small and Minority Business Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist entrepreneurs and small and minority businesses by providing technical assistance on planning, advocacy, business needs, and identifying potential markets and suppliers; and to provide assistance to local communities in growing small businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| **State General Funds** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 | $925,255 |

**Tourism** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |
| State General Funds | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 | $10,344,545 |

**134.1** *Increase funds to restore funds to the Georgia Historical Society to reflect a 10 percent budget reduction. (S and CC:Increase funds to restore funds for the Georgia Historical Society)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $24,000 | $24,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**134.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to the Georgia World Congress Center Authority for operations. (S and CC:Recognize $2,926,789 in business interruption insurance funds to the Georgia World Congress Center Authority)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,500,000 | $0 | $0 |

**134.3** *Recognize $1,142,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for National Endowment for the Humanities Grants CFDA 45.129. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | |

**134.100 Tourism** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide information to visitors about tourism opportunities throughout the state, operate and maintain state welcome centers, fund the Georgia Historical Society and Georgia Humanities Council, and work with communities to develop and market tourism products in order to attract more tourism to the state.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,368,545 | $12,868,545 | $10,394,545 | $10,394,545 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,368,545 | $12,868,545 | $10,394,545 | $10,394,545 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,368,545 | $12,868,545 | $10,394,545 | $10,394,545 |

***Section 24: Education, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 |
| State General Funds | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 | $9,632,727,015 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 | $25,460,854 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| Sales and Services | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 | $13,289,441 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 | $11,756,670,356 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,206,030,732 | $10,213,829,132 | $10,200,988,548 | $10,212,899,126 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,206,030,732 | $10,213,829,132 | $10,200,988,548 | $10,212,899,126 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 | $2,098,482,487 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 | $2,098,369,986 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,460,854 | $28,211,020 | $28,211,020 | $28,211,020 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 | $144,885 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 | $11,798,018 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 | $228,510 |
| **Sales and Services** | $13,289,441 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $13,289,441 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 | $16,039,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,329,974,073 | $12,340,522,639 | $12,327,682,055 | $12,339,592,633 |

**Agricultural Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 |
| State General Funds | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 | $10,715,588 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 | $14,258,948 |

**135.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,231 | $36,449 | $36,449 | $36,449 |

**135.2** *Transfer funds from the Agricultural Education program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,643) | ($2,643) | ($2,643) | ($2,643) |

**135.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the Area Teacher Program, Extended Day/Year, Young Farmers, and Youth Camps.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $505,727 | $589,272 | $589,272 | $589,272 |

**135.4** *Increase funds for five young farmer positions in Baldwin County, Fulton County, Pickens County, Ware County, and Worth County. (S:Increase funds for one young farmer position in Ware County)(CC:Increase funds for four young farmer positions in Fulton County, Pickens County, Ware County, and Worth County)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $425,000 | $85,000 | $340,000 |

**135.5** *Provide funds for eight new programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | | $68,000 |

**135.100 Agricultural Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems with developing and funding agricultural education programs, and to provide afterschool and summer educational and leadership opportunities for students.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,219,903 | $11,763,666 | $11,423,666 | $11,746,666 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,219,903 | $11,763,666 | $11,423,666 | $11,746,666 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 | $482,773 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 | $3,060,587 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,763,263 | $15,307,026 | $14,967,026 | $15,290,026 |

**Business and Finance Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| State General Funds | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 | $7,036,497 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| Sales and Services | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 | $16,670,087 |

**136.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,141 | $2,141 | $2,141 | $2,141 |

**136.2** *Transfer funds from the Business and Finance Administration program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($139,007) | ($139,007) | ($139,007) | ($139,007) |

**136.100 Business and Finance Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for business, finance, facilities, and pupil transportation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 | $6,899,631 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 | $426,513 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 | $9,207,077 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 | $8,089,181 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 | $168,810 |
| **Sales and Services** | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 | $949,086 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,533,221 | $16,533,221 | $16,533,221 | $16,533,221 |

**Central Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| State General Funds | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 | $4,003,893 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| Sales and Services | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 | $28,964,337 |

**137.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,715 | $6,715 | $6,715 | $6,715 |

**137.2** *Transfer funds from the Central Office program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($68,941) | ($68,941) | ($68,941) | ($68,941) |

**137.3** *Increase funds for a Law Enforcement Teaching Students (LETS) program and leverage matching funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | | $250,000 |

**137.100 Central Office** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the State Board of Education, Departmental programs, and local school systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 | $4,191,667 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 | $3,941,667 | $4,191,667 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 | $24,472,585 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **Sales and Services** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 | $487,859 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,902,111 | $28,902,111 | $28,902,111 | $29,152,111 |

**Charter Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| State General Funds | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 | $4,111,590 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 | $27,586,590 |

**138.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $759 | $759 | $759 | $759 |

**138.2** *Transfer funds from the Charter Schools program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,740) | ($6,740) | ($6,740) | ($6,740) |

**138.3** *Increase funds for charter facility grants pursuant to HB430 (2017 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |

**138.100 Charter Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize charter schools and charter systems and to provide funds for competitive grants for planning, implementation, facilities, and operations of those entities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,105,609 | $5,105,609 | $5,105,609 | $5,105,609 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,105,609 | $5,105,609 | $5,105,609 | $5,105,609 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 | $23,475,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,580,609 | $28,580,609 | $28,580,609 | $28,580,609 |

**Communities in Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations*

*across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |
| State General Funds | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 | $1,285,290 |

**139.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to local affiliates.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $85,686 | $85,686 | $85,686 | $85,686 |

**139.100 Communities in Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support Performance Learning Centers and maintain a network of local affiliate organizations across the state, and to partner with other state and national organizations to support student success in school and beyond.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 | $1,370,976 |

**Curriculum Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 |
| State General Funds | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 | $4,135,954 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 | $6,940,675 |

**140.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,785 | $7,785 | $7,785 | $7,785 |

**140.2** *Transfer funds from the Curriculum Development program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition*

*to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($80,586) | ($80,586) | ($80,586) | ($80,586) |

**140.3** *Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Curriculum Development program for the Rural Teacher Training Initiative. (S and CC:Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Curriculum Development program for the Rural Teacher Training Initiative. Any training provided for the initiative will be outside of the regular school day in order to not remove teachers from the classroom)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $323,000 | $323,000 | $323,000 |

**140.4** *Increase funds for computer science grants per SB108 (2019 Session).*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $344,000 |

**140.5** *Increase funds to fund SB48 (2019 Session) screening mandate and a state educational agency dyslexia specialist.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,630,000 | $1,630,000 |

**140.6** *Increase funds for rural coding equipment in partnership with Georgia Cyber Center.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $240,000 | $240,000 |

**140.100 Curriculum Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop a statewide, standards-based curriculum to guide instruction and assessment, and to provide training and instructional resources to teachers for implementing this curriculum.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,063,153 | $4,386,153 | $7,256,153 | $6,600,153 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,063,153 | $4,386,153 | $7,256,153 | $6,600,153 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 | $2,745,489 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 | $59,232 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,867,874 | $7,190,874 | $10,060,874 | $9,404,874 |

**Federal Programs** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |

**141.1** *Recognize $89,976,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Special Education Grants for States CFDA 84.027 to fund grants to states, preschool, and infants & toddlers. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**141.2** *Recognize $65,585,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools CFDA 84.425R. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**141.100 Federal Programs** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate federally funded programs and allocate federal funds to school systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 | $1,192,922,003 |

**Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 |
| State General Funds | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 | $52,799,931 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 | $64,122,733 |

**142.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $288,590 | $288,590 | $288,590 | $288,590 |

**142.2** *Reduce formula funds for enrollment and training and experience decline.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,388,741) | ($3,388,911) | ($3,388,911) | ($3,388,911) |

**142.3** *Transfer funds from the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS) program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,843) | ($2,843) | ($2,843) | ($2,843) |

**142.4** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for the GNETS grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 | $3,669,163 |

**142.100 Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Georgia Network for Educational and Therapeutic Support (GNETS), which provides services, education, and resources for students ages three to twenty-one with autism or severe emotional behavioral problems and their families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $53,366,100 | $53,365,930 | $53,365,930 | $53,365,930 |
| **State General Funds** | $53,366,100 | $53,365,930 | $53,365,930 | $53,365,930 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 | $11,322,802 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $64,688,902 | $64,688,732 | $64,688,732 | $64,688,732 |

**Georgia Virtual School** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| State General Funds | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 | $2,598,602 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| Sales and Services | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 | $10,114,904 |

**143.1** *Transfer funds from the Georgia Virtual School program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,452) | ($4,452) | ($4,452) | ($4,452) |

**143.100 Georgia Virtual School** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the accessibility and breadth of course offerings so that Georgia students can recover credits, access supplementary resources, enhance their studies, or earn additional credits in a manner not involving on-site interaction with a teacher.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 | $2,594,150 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **Sales and Services** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 | $7,516,302 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,110,452 | $10,110,452 | $10,110,452 | $10,110,452 |

**Information Technology Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| State General Funds | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 | $19,238,272 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 | $19,647,539 |

**144.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,921 | $9,921 | $9,921 | $9,921 |

**144.2** *Transfer funds from the Information Technology Services program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce*

*model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($179,738) | ($179,738) | ($179,738) | ($179,738) |

**144.3** *Increase funds for a pilot program to provide access to STEM and AP STEM virtual courses to students in rural Georgia without district courses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $75,000 | $25,000 | $75,000 |

**144.100 Information Technology Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage enterprise technology for the department, provide internet access to local school systems, support data collection and reporting needs, and support technology programs that assist local school systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,068,455 | $19,143,455 | $19,093,455 | $19,143,455 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,068,455 | $19,143,455 | $19,093,455 | $19,143,455 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 | $409,267 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,477,722 | $19,552,722 | $19,502,722 | $19,552,722 |

**Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives including: children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |
| State General Funds | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 | $14,129,024 |

**145.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $65,681 | $77,201 | $77,201 | $77,201 |

**145.2** *Reduce formula funds for Sparsity Grants based on enrollment decline. (H and S:Reduce formula funds for Sparsity Grants based on enrollment data)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($44,046) | ($249,472) | ($249,472) | ($249,472) |

**145.3** *Reduce formula funds for Residential Treatment Facilities based on attendance. (S:This is the last year that the Senate will not fund Residential Treatment Facilities based on actual attendance data; it is imperative that a new formula is created in order to accurately reflect attendance and funding needs)(CC:Reduce formula funds for Residential Treatment Facilities based on attendance; and, participate in developing a new funding formula based on attendance and funding needs)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($846,116) | ($268,221) | ($482,027) | ($268,221) |

**145.4** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction to feminine hygiene grants. (H and S:Increase funds for feminine hygiene grants and prioritize grants to school systems that have low property tax wealth and high percentage of economically disadvantaged students)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $420,000 | $950,000 | $950,000 | $950,000 |

**145.5** *Increase funds for a Residential Treatment Facilities' budget analyst/grant manager. (S:Provide funds for half of a position to provide dedicated supervision over the Residential Treatment Facility educational programs and streamline data reporting)(CC:Increase funds for a Residential Treatment Facilities' budget analyst/grant manager)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,000 | $62,500 | $125,000 |

**145.6** *Reflect $268,221 in federal funds for Residential Treatment Facilities as authorized by the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus pandemic. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**145.100 Non Quality Basic Education Formula Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund specific initiatives including: children in residential education facilities and sparsity grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,724,543 | $14,763,532 | $14,487,226 | $14,763,532 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,724,543 | $14,763,532 | $14,487,226 | $14,763,532 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,724,543 | $14,763,532 | $14,487,226 | $14,763,532 |

**Nutrition** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| State General Funds | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 | $24,526,105 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 | $782,179,636 |

**146.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $862 | $862 | $862 | $862 |

**146.2** *Transfer funds from the Nutrition program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($8,732) | ($8,732) | ($8,732) | ($8,732) |

**146.3** *Increase funds for school nutrition. (CC:Increase funds for school nutrition staff)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $5,000,000 | $0 | $5,000,000 |

**146.100 Nutrition** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide leadership, training, technical assistance, and resources, so local program personnel can deliver meals that support nutritional well-being and performance at school and comply with federal standards.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,518,235 | $29,518,235 | $24,518,235 | $29,518,235 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,518,235 | $29,518,235 | $24,518,235 | $29,518,235 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 | $757,469,531 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 | $184,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $782,171,766 | $787,171,766 | $782,171,766 | $787,171,766 |

**Preschool Disabilities Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |
| State General Funds | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 | $38,305,599 |

**147.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $184,132 | $184,132 | $184,132 | $184,132 |

**147.2** *Reduce formula funds based on enrollment decline.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,887,959) | ($4,943,047) | ($4,943,047) | ($4,943,047) |

**147.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 | $2,523,306 |

**147.100 Preschool Disabilities Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide early educational services to three- and four-year-old students with disabilities so that they enter school better prepared to succeed.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,125,078 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $36,125,078 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,125,078 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 | $36,069,990 |

**Pupil Transportation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems in their efforts to provide safe and efficient transportation for students to and from school and school related activities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |
| State General Funds | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 | $136,362,090 |

**148.1** *Increase funds for transportation grants based on formula growth.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $179,181 | $179,152 | $179,152 | $179,152 |

**148.100 Pupil Transportation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local school systems in their efforts to provide safe and efficient transportation for students to and from school and school related activities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $136,541,271 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 |
| **State General Funds** | $136,541,271 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $136,541,271 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 | $136,541,242 |

**Quality Basic Education Equalization** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |
| State General Funds | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 | $726,052,218 |

**149.1** *Increase formula funds for Equalization grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $71,919,829 | $71,918,887 | $71,918,887 | $71,918,887 |

**149.100 Quality Basic Education Equalization** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide additional financial assistance to local school systems ranking below the statewide average of per pupil tax wealth as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-165.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $797,972,047 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 |
| **State General Funds** | $797,972,047 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $797,972,047 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 | $797,971,105 |

**Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |
| State General Funds | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) | ($2,058,907,232) |

**150.1** *Adjust formula funds for Local Five Mill Share.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($111,838,943) | ($111,856,190) | ($111,856,190) | ($111,856,190) |

**150.100 Quality Basic Education Local Five Mill Share** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this program is to recognize the required local portion of the Quality Basic Education program as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-164.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | ($2,170,746,175) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | ($2,170,746,175) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | ($2,170,746,175) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) | ($2,170,763,422) |

**Quality Basic Education Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |
| State General Funds | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 | $10,552,819,923 |

**151.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $57,319,574 | $57,348,142 | $57,348,142 | $57,348,142 |

**151.2** *Reduce funds for formula earnings for the 2021-2022 school year due to declining enrollment. (H and S:Adjust funds for enrollment decline (($110,561,954)) and an increase in training and experience and health insurance ($58,166,829))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($166,085,556) | ($52,395,125) | ($52,395,125) | ($52,395,125) |

**151.3** *Increase formula funds for the State Commission Charter School supplement. (S:Increase formula funds for the State Commission Charter School supplement enrollment growth ($35,678,100) and eliminate State Commission Charter School supplemental funding for system-collaborative state charter schools (($41,029,926)))(CC:Increase formula funds for the State Commission Charter School supplement)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $36,239,723 | $35,678,100 | ($5,351,826) | $35,678,100 |

**151.4** *Increase formula funds for the charter system grant.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $16,803 | $22,323 | $22,323 | $22,323 |

**151.5** *Reduce formula funds for differentiated pay for newly certified math and science teachers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($893,044) | ($863,849) | ($863,849) | ($863,849) |

**151.6** *Increase formula funds for training and experience ($96,595,772) and health insurance ($17,021,340). (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $113,617,112 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**151.7** *Maintain current funding and hold harmless for formula reduction for school nurse funding ($1,067,491). (G:YES)(H and S:YES; Maintain current funding and hold harmless for formula reduction for school nurse funding ($1,112,120))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**151.8** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 education. (H and S:Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 education in QBE ($554,905,095) and other grants ($12,641,468))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 | $567,546,563 |

**151.9** *Increase funds for grants for system-collaborative state charter schools. (CC:NO)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $37,018,645 | $0 |

**151.10** *Recognize $4,249,371,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425D. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**151.100 Quality Basic Education Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide formula funds to school systems based on full time equivalent students for the instruction of students in grades K-12 as outlined in O.C.G.A. 20-2-161.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,160,581,098 | $11,160,156,077 | $11,156,144,796 | $11,160,156,077 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,160,581,098 | $11,160,156,077 | $11,156,144,796 | $11,160,156,077 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,160,581,098 | $11,160,156,077 | $11,156,144,796 | $11,160,156,077 |

**Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development, technology training, and other shared services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| State General Funds | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 | $13,248,008 |

**152.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $44,861 | $21,071 | $21,071 | $21,071 |

**152.2** *Reduce formula funds for RESAs based on enrollment decline.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($337,465) | ($162,941) | ($162,941) | ($162,941) |

**152.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for grants to RESAs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $889,508 | $889,508 | $889,508 | $889,508 |

**152.100 Regional Education Service Agencies (RESAs)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia's sixteen Regional Education Service Agencies with funds to assist local school systems with improving the effectiveness of their educational programs by providing curriculum consultation, skill enhancement, professional development, technology training, and other shared services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,844,912 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,844,912 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,844,912 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 | $13,995,646 |

**School Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low- performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| State General Funds | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 | $9,882,267 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 | $16,784,568 |

**153.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,691 | $10,691 | $10,691 | $10,691 |

**153.2** *Transfer funds from the School Improvement program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($55,507) | ($55,507) | ($55,507) | ($55,507) |

**153.100 School Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide research, technical assistance, resources, teacher professional learning, and leadership training for low- performing schools and local educational agencies to help them design and implement school improvement strategies to improve graduation rates and overall student achievement.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 | $9,837,451 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 | $6,886,251 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 | $16,050 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,739,752 | $16,739,752 | $16,739,752 | $16,739,752 |

**State Charter School Commission Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| Sales and Services | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 | $3,699,116 |

**154.1** *Reflect increased other funds ($2,750,166) for Commission administration associated with increased enrollment in State Charter Schools per O.C.G.A. 20-2-2089(b). (G:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 | $2,750,166 |

**154.100 State Charter School Commission Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to focus on the development and support of state charter schools in order to better meet the growing and diverse needs of students in this state and to further ensure that state charter schools of the highest academic quality are approved and supported throughout the state in an efficient manner.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,699,116 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 | $6,449,282 |

**State Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 |
| State General Funds | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 | $30,738,632 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| Sales and Services | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 | $32,425,819 |

**155.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $46,986 | $46,986 | $46,986 | $46,986 |

**155.2** *Increase formula funds for training and experience.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $211,362 | $211,362 | $211,362 | $211,362 |

**155.3** *Transfer funds from the State Schools program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote*

*workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,192) | ($6,192) | ($6,192) | ($6,192) |

**155.4** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**155.100 State Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare sensory-impaired and multi-disabled students to become productive citizens by providing a learning environment addressing their academic, vocational, and social development.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 |
| **State General Funds** | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 | $31,290,788 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 | $1,146,556 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 | $1,034,055 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 | $112,501 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 | $540,631 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 | $69,603 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 | $59,700 |
| **Sales and Services** | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 | $411,328 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $32,977,975 | $32,977,975 | $32,977,975 | $32,977,975 |

**Technology/Career Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 |
| State General Funds | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 | $18,323,233 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| Sales and Services | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 | $69,668,693 |

**156.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,474 | $73,991 | $73,991 | $73,991 |

**156.2** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for Extended Day/Year, Vocational Supervisors, Industry Certification, and Youth Apprenticeship programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $674,030 | $840,924 | $674,030 | $840,924 |

**156.3** *Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Testing program to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model. (S and CC:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($27,754) | ($27,754) | ($27,754) | ($27,754) |

**156.4** *Transfer funds from the Technology/Career Education program to the Curriculum Development program for the Rural Teacher Training Initiative.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($323,000) | ($323,000) | ($323,000) |

**156.5** *Reduce funds for unimplemented pilot program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($250,000) | ($250,000) |

**156.100 Technology/Career Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to equip students with academic, vocational, technical, and leadership skills and to extend learning opportunities beyond the traditional school day and year.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,971,983 | $18,887,394 | $18,470,500 | $18,637,394 |
| **State General Funds** | $18,971,983 | $18,887,394 | $18,470,500 | $18,637,394 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 | $50,655,460 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 | $690,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 | $464,250 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 | $225,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,317,443 | $70,232,854 | $69,815,960 | $69,982,854 |

**Testing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 |
| State General Funds | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 | $19,924,780 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 | $45,993,037 |

**157.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,327 | $9,327 | $9,327 | $9,327 |

**157.2** *Increase funds ($4,732,747) and recognize rent savings ($633,356) from implementing a remote workforce model to administer Georgia Milestones in accordance with federal requirements. (S:Reduce funds to reflect rent savings due to the transition to a remote workforce model)(CC:Increase funds to administer Georgia Milestones in accordance with federal requirements)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $5,315,882 | $5,315,882 | ($50,221) | $2,313,876 |

**157.3** *Increase funds for a pilot program for Computer Science Principles AP exams with a focus on schools and systems with no AP coursework.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $250,000 | $0 | $125,000 |

**157.100 Testing** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the statewide student assessment program and provide related testing instruments and training to local schools.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $25,249,989 | $25,499,989 | $19,883,886 | $22,372,983 |
| **State General Funds** | $25,249,989 | $25,499,989 | $19,883,886 | $22,372,983 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 | $26,068,257 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $51,318,246 | $51,568,246 | $45,952,143 | $48,441,240 |

**Tuition for Multiple Disability Students** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to provide an appropriate program for a multi-disabled student.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |
| State General Funds | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 | $1,396,751 |

**158.1** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $93,117 | $93,117 | $93,117 | $93,117 |

**158.100 Tuition for Multiple Disability Students** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to partially reimburse school systems for private residential placements when the school system is unable to provide an appropriate program for a multi-disabled student.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 | $1,489,868 |

**The formula calculation for Quality Basic Education funding assumes a base unit cost of $2,789.65. In addition, all local school system allotments for Quality Basic Education shall be made in accordance with funds appropriated by this Act.**

***Section 25: Employees' Retirement System of Georgia***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| State General Funds | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 | $32,984,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| State Funds Transfers | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| Retirement Payments | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 | $61,909,117 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $33,624,665 | $35,224,665 | $35,224,665 | $35,224,665 |
| **State General Funds** | $33,624,665 | $35,224,665 | $35,224,665 | $35,224,665 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $62,549,499 | $64,149,499 | $64,149,499 | $64,149,499 |

**Deferred Compensation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |

**159.100 Deferred Compensation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide excellent service to participants in the deferred compensation program for all employees of the state, giving them an effective supplement for their retirement planning.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 | $5,382,164 |

**Georgia Military Pension Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| State General Funds | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 | $2,683,883 |

**160.1** *Increase funds for the actuarially determined employer contribution in accordance with the most recent actuarial report.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $13,382 | $13,382 | $13,382 | $13,382 |

**160.100 Georgia Military Pension Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirement allowances and other benefits for members of the Georgia National Guard.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 | $2,697,265 |

**Public School Employees Retirement System** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| State General Funds | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 | $30,264,000 |

**161.1** *Increase funds for the actuarially determined employer contribution in accordance with the most recent actuarial report.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $627,000 | $627,000 | $627,000 | $627,000 |

**161.2** *Increase funds for an increase in the PSERS multiplier from $15.50 per year of service to $15.75 per year of service.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,600,000 | $1,600,000 | $1,600,000 |

**161.100 Public School Employees Retirement System** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to account for the receipt of retirement contributions, ensure sound investing of system funds, and*

*provide timely and accurate payment of retirement benefits.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,891,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,891,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,891,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 | $32,491,000 |

**System Administration (ERS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| State General Funds | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| State Funds Transfers | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| Retirement Payments | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 |

**162.1** *The Board of Trustees is urged to consider a benefit adjustment for retired state employees in accordance with sound actuary principles. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**162.100 System Administration (ERS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect employee and employer contributions, invest the accumulated funds, and disburse retirement benefits to members and beneficiaries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| **State General Funds** | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 | $36,400 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 | $23,542,670 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 | $23,579,070 |

**It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed 24.63% for New Plan employees and 19.88% for Old Plan employees. For the GSEPS employees, the employer contribution rate shall not exceed 21.57% for the pension portion of the benefit and 3.0% in employer match contributions for**

**the 401(k) portion of the benefit. It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution for Public School Employees' Retirement System shall not exceed $888.52 per member for State Fiscal Year 2022.**

***Section 26: Forestry Commission, State***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 |
| State General Funds | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 | $35,588,732 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| Royalties and Rents | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Sales and Services | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| State Funds Transfers | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 | $52,052,268 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $35,588,732 | $35,773,368 | $35,769,179 | $35,769,179 |
| **State General Funds** | $35,588,732 | $35,773,368 | $35,769,179 | $35,769,179 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 | $6,986,349 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 | $8,914,100 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 | $2,572,500 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 | $6,241,600 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 | $563,087 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $52,052,268 | $52,236,904 | $52,232,715 | $52,232,715 |

**Commission Administration (SFC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| State General Funds | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 | $3,590,109 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| Sales and Services | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 | $4,221,689 |

**163.1** *Transfer funds from the Forest Management program to the Commission Administration (SFC) program for one position.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $101,806 | $101,806 | $101,806 | $101,806 |

**163.2** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $10,633 | $10,633 | $10,633 |

**163.100 Commission Administration (SFC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer workforce needs, handle purchasing, accounts receivable and payable, meet information technology needs, and provide oversight that emphasizes customer values and process innovation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,691,915 | $3,702,548 | $3,702,548 | $3,702,548 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,691,915 | $3,702,548 | $3,702,548 | $3,702,548 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 | $123,800 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **Sales and Services** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 | $507,780 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,323,495 | $4,334,128 | $4,334,128 | $4,334,128 |

**Forest Management** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| State General Funds | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 | $3,567,825 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| Sales and Services | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| State Funds Transfers | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 | $8,389,708 |

**164.1** *Transfer funds from the Forest Management program to the Commission Administration (SFC) program for one position.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($101,806) | ($101,806) | ($101,806) | ($101,806) |

**164.2** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $24,810 | $24,810 | $24,810 | |

**164.100 Forest Management** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure the stewardship of forest lands; to collect and analyze state forestry inventory data; to administer federal forestry cost share assistance programs; to study forest health and invasive species control issues; to manage state-owned forests; to educate private forest landowners and timber harvesters about best management practices; to assist communities with management of forested greenspace; to promote and obtain conservation easements; to manage Georgia's Carbon Registry; to promote retention, investment, and/or expansion of new emerging and existing forest and forest biomass industries, and, during extreme fire danger, to provide logistical, overhead, and direct fire suppression assistance to the Forest Protection program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,466,019 | $3,490,829 | $3,490,829 | $3,490,829 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,466,019 | $3,490,829 | $3,490,829 | $3,490,829 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 | $3,682,151 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 | $798,145 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 | $187,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 | $611,145 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 | $341,587 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,287,902 | $8,312,712 | $8,312,712 | $8,312,712 |

**Forest Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits, to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 |
| State General Funds | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 | $28,430,798 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| Royalties and Rents | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| Sales and Services | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 | $38,233,791 |

**165.1** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $145,004 | $145,004 | $145,004 |

**165.100 Forest Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure an aggressive and efficient response and suppression of forest fires in the unincorporated areas of the State; to mitigate hazardous forest fuels; to issue burn permits, to provide statewide education in the prevention of wildfires; to perform wildfire arson investigations; to promote community wildland fire planning and protection through cooperative agreements with fire departments; to train and certify firefighters in wildland firefighting; to provide assistance and support to rural fire departments including selling wildland fire engines and tankers; and to support the Forest Management program during periods of low fire danger.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,430,798 | $28,575,802 | $28,575,802 | $28,575,802 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,430,798 | $28,575,802 | $28,575,802 | $28,575,802 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 | $3,046,681 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 | $6,541,312 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 | $2,385,500 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 | $20,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 | $4,055,812 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 | $80,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 | $215,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $38,233,791 | $38,378,795 | $38,378,795 | $38,378,795 |

**Tree Seedling Nursery** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| Sales and Services | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 |

**166.1** *Increase funds for increased workers' compensation premiums.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $4,189 | $0 | $0 |

**166.100 Tree Seedling Nursery** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to produce an adequate quantity of high quality forest tree seedlings for sale at reasonable cost to Georgia landowners.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $4,189 | $0 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $4,189 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 | $133,717 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 | $1,066,863 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 | $6,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,207,080 | $1,211,269 | $1,207,080 | $1,207,080 |

***Section 27: Governor, Office of the***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 |
| State General Funds | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 | $58,145,594 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 | $89,763,690 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $58,264,184 | $48,891,194 | $50,361,194 | $49,891,194 |
| **State General Funds** | $58,264,184 | $48,891,194 | $50,361,194 | $49,891,194 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 | $30,810,240 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 | $30,056,810 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $89,882,280 | $80,509,290 | $81,979,290 | $81,509,290 |

**Governor's Emergency Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |
| State General Funds | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 | $21,062,041 |

**167.1** *Reduce funds to reflect FY2020 base funding level.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) |

**167.100 Governor's Emergency Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide emergency funds to draw on when disasters create extraordinary demands on government.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 | $11,062,041 |

**Governor's Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $60,000.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| State General Funds | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |

**168.1** *Recognize $4,654,502,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Georgia:*

*(A) to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;*

*(B) to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID–19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the State, territory, or Tribal government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;*

*(C) for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such State, territory, or Tribal government due to the COVID–19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the State, territory, or Tribal government prior to the emergency; or*

*(D) to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.*

*(S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**168.2** *Recognize $261,682,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund for Georgia to carry out projects to support work, education and health monitoring during COVID-19. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**168.3** *Use American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for allowable capital investments. (CC:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**168.100 Governor's Office** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide numerous duties including, but not limited to: granting commissions, appointments and vacancies, maintaining order, and temporary transfer of institutions between departments or agencies. The Mansion allowance per O.C.G.A. 45-7-4 shall be $60,000.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 | $6,130,645 |

**Planning and Budget, Governor's Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 | $9,689,501 |

**169.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,037 | $1,037 | $1,037 | $1,037 |

**169.2** *Increase funds to establish the Office of Health Strategy and Coordination.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,220,000 | $1,000,000 |

**169.100 Planning and Budget, Governor's Office of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve state government operations and services by leading and assisting in the evaluation, development, and implementation of budgets, plans, programs, and policies.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,690,538 | $9,690,538 | $10,910,538 | $10,690,538 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,690,538 | $9,690,538 | $10,910,538 | $10,690,538 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,690,538 | $9,690,538 | $10,910,538 | $10,690,538 |

**Equal Opportunity, Georgia Commission on** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 |
| State General Funds | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 | $757,527 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $788,527 | $788,527 | $788,527 | $788,527 |

**170.1** *Increase funds for two equal employment compliance officers to investigate additional employment discrimination cases and leverage additional federal funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $113,320 | $113,320 | $113,320 | $113,320 |

**170.100 Equal Opportunity, Georgia Commission on** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the Georgia Fair Employment Practices Act of 1978, as amended, and the Fair Housing*

*Act, which makes it unlawful to discriminate against any individual.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $870,847 | $870,847 | $870,847 | $870,847 |
| **State General Funds** | $870,847 | $870,847 | $870,847 | $870,847 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 | $31,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $901,847 | $901,847 | $901,847 | $901,847 |

**Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact for the federal Department of Homeland Security.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| State General Funds | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 |

**171.1** *Recognize $2,679,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Emergency Management Performance Grants CFDA 97.042. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**171.100 Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a disaster, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery program by coordinating federal, state, and other resources and supporting local governments to respond to major disasters and emergency events, and to coordinate state resources for the preparation and prevention of threats and acts of terrorism and to serve as the State's point of contact for the federal Department of Homeland Security.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 | $2,706,861 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 | $29,703,182 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 | $807,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 | $33,217,899 |

**Professional Standards Commission, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| State General Funds | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 | $6,726,501 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 |
| Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 | $7,802,559 |

**172.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,745 | $1,745 | $1,745 | $1,745 |

**172.2** *Redirect $32,815 in savings from real estate rental costs to modernize IT applications to improve operational efficiency and customer service for teachers. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**172.3** *Increase funds for personnel to meet program needs in the Ethics Division and Educator Preparation Division.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $140,720 | $140,720 | $140,720 |

**172.4** *Increase funds for Troops to Teachers. (S:Increase funds for Troops to Teachers and provide minimum standards of instruction for those seeking provisional and alternative certification, which must be completed prior to an alternative or provisional certification employee being assigned to a classroom, unless they are an adjunct instructor)(CC:Increase funds for Troops to Teachers)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $197,002 | $197,002 | $197,002 |

**172.100 Professional Standards Commission, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to direct the preparation of, certify, recognize, and recruit Georgia educators, and to enforce*

*standards regarding educator professional preparation, performance, and ethics.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,728,246 | $7,065,968 | $7,065,968 | $7,065,968 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,728,246 | $7,065,968 | $7,065,968 | $7,065,968 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 | $1,076,058 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 | $322,628 |
| **Child Care & Development Block Grant CFDA93.575** | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 | $753,430 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,804,304 | $8,142,026 | $8,142,026 | $8,142,026 |

**Student Achievement, Governor's Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform policy and budget efforts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |
| State General Funds | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 | $8,777,437 |

**173.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,488 | $2,488 | $2,488 | $2,488 |

**173.2** *Reflect funds for Governor's School Leadership Academy ($1,700,000); Governor's Honors Program ($1,600,000); Growing Readers ($1,500,000); GA Awards ($1,803,000); research and academic audits ($900,175); and personnel and operations ($1,274,262). (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**173.3** *Increase funds for the Growing Readers program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |

**173.4** *Increase funds for the Governor's School Leadership Academy.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |

**173.5** *Increase funds for a Law Enforcement Teaching Students (LETS) program and leverage matching funds. (CC:Reflect in Department of Education's Central Office program)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $250,000 | $0 |

| **173.100 Student Achievement, Governor's Office of** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support educational accountability, evaluation, and reporting efforts, establishment of standards on state assessments, the preparation and release of the state's education report card and scoreboard, and education research to inform policy and budget efforts.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,779,925 | $9,029,925 | $9,279,925 | $9,029,925 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,779,925 | $9,029,925 | $9,279,925 | $9,029,925 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,779,925 | $9,029,925 | $9,279,925 | $9,029,925 |

| **Child Advocate, Office of the** | | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| State General Funds | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

| **174.100 Child Advocate, Office of the** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide independent oversight of persons, organizations, and agencies responsible for the protection and well-being of children.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| **State General Funds** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 | $943,892 |

| **Office of the State Inspector General** | | | | **Continuation Budget** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| State General Funds | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 | $1,351,189 |

**175.1** *Increase funds for one vehicle and automation of sexual harassment complaint submissions into case management system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $39,288 | $39,288 | $39,288 |

**175.100 Office of the State Inspector General** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to foster and promote accountability and integrity in state government by investigating and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,351,189 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,351,189 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,351,189 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 | $1,390,477 |

**The Mansion allowance shall be $60,000.**

***Section 28: Human Services, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 |
| State General Funds | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 | $796,003,346 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 | $1,049,848,366 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 | $482,974,023 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 | $91,480,154 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| Sales and Services | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 |
| State Funds Transfers | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Agency Funds Transfers | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 | $1,874,284,528 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $803,994,896 | $804,946,596 | $816,664,560 | $816,659,560 |
| **State General Funds** | $803,643,891 | $804,595,591 | $816,313,555 | $816,308,555 |
| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,049,013,578 | $1,049,013,578 | $1,049,013,578 | $1,049,013,578 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $490,827,191 | $490,827,191 | $490,827,191 | $490,827,191 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 | $16,346,667 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $82,792,198 | $82,792,198 | $82,792,198 | $82,792,198 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 | $56,316,594 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 | $85,740,594 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 | $12,100,916 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 | $304,889,418 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 | $302,700,036 |
| **TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604** | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 | $27,138,839 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 | $2,141,750 |
| **Sales and Services** | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 | $24,997,089 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 | $1,293,977 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 | $564,371 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,881,441,290 | $1,882,392,990 | $1,894,110,954 | $1,894,105,954 |

**Adoptions Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| State General Funds | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 | $37,151,930 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 | $75,022,075 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 | $62,523,425 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 | $112,174,005 |

**176.1** *Increase funds for caseload growth in adoptions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,517,500 | $4,517,500 | $4,517,500 | $4,517,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,967,433 | $7,967,433 | $7,967,433 | $7,967,433 |
| Total Public Funds: | $12,484,933 | $12,484,933 | $12,484,933 | $12,484,933 |

**176.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $114,265 | $114,265 | $114,265 | $114,265 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | ($114,265) | ($114,265) | ($114,265) | ($114,265) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**176.100 Adoptions Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support and facilitate the safe permanent placement of children by prescreening families and providing support and financial services after adoption.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 |
| **State General Funds** | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 | $41,783,695 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $82,875,243 | $82,875,243 | $82,875,243 | $82,875,243 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,376,593 | $70,376,593 | $70,376,593 | $70,376,593 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 | $12,498,650 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $124,658,938 | $124,658,938 | $124,658,938 | $124,658,938 |

**After School Care** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |

**177.1** *Increase funds to support community partnerships to stem learning loss due to COVID-19 for K-12 students.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,727,964 | $4,727,964 |

**177.100 After School Care** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand the provision of after school care services and draw down TANF maintenance of effort funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $0 | $4,727,964 | $4,727,964 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $0 | $4,727,964 | $4,727,964 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $15,500,000 | $15,500,000 | $20,227,964 | $20,227,964 |

**Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| State General Funds | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 |

**178.1** *Recognize $1,135,678 in marriage and divorce fee collections for the Children's Trust Fund for child abuse and neglect prevention. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**178.2** *Recognize $8,397,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants CFDA 93.590. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

| **178.100 Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to promote child abuse and neglect prevention programs and support child victims of abuse.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 | $2,270,583 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 | $6,561,869 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 | $3,716,712 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 | $2,845,157 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 | $8,832,452 |

| **Child Support Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 |
| State General Funds | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 | $26,258,473 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| State Funds Transfers | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 | $109,700,036 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **179.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $64 | $64 | $64 | $64 |

| **179.100 Child Support Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to encourage and enforce the parental responsibility of paying financial support.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 |
| **State General Funds** | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 | $26,258,537 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 | $79,645,803 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 | $3,400,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 | $395,760 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $109,700,100 | $109,700,100 | $109,700,100 | $109,700,100 |

| **Child Welfare Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 |
| State General Funds | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 | $194,072,274 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 |
| TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| State Funds Transfers | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 | $397,390,301 |

**180.1** *Restore funds for contracts for educational services with the Multi-Agency Alliance for Children.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $951,700 | $951,700 | $951,700 |

**180.2** *Increase funds for contracts for vocational training services with Broken Shackle Ranch.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $200,000 | $200,000 |

**180.3** *Increase funds for Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASAs) for development and start-up for underserved Echols, Henry and Lowndes Counties.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $65,000 | $65,000 |

**180.4** *Recognize $3,336,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants CFDA 93.669. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**180.100 Child Welfare Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate allegations of child abuse, abandonment, and neglect, and to provide services to protect the child and strengthen the family.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $194,072,274 | $195,023,974 | $195,288,974 | $195,288,974 |
| **State General Funds** | $194,072,274 | $195,023,974 | $195,288,974 | $195,288,974 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 | $203,183,881 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 | $29,931,187 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 | $40,699,953 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 | $204,452 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 | $2,871,034 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 | $129,477,255 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 | $127,287,873 |
| **TANF Transfers to Social Services Block Grant per 42 USC 604** | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 | $2,189,382 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 | $134,146 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $397,390,301 | $398,342,001 | $398,607,001 | $398,607,001 |

**Community Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

**181.100 Community Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide services and activities through local agencies to assist low-income Georgians with employment, education, nutrition, and housing services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 | $16,110,137 |

**Departmental Administration (DHS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 |
| State General Funds | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 | $52,877,533 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| State Funds Transfers | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 | $115,409,351 |

**182.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $375 | $375 | $375 | $375 |

**182.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the enhanced-Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (e-FMAP) from 76.92% to 76.80%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $496,313 | $496,313 | $496,313 | $496,313 |

**182.3** *Increase funds to begin the implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,251,485 | $7,251,485 | $7,251,485 | $7,251,485 |

**182.4** *Recognize $642,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Capital Assistance Programs for Elderly and Disabled Persons CFDA 20.513. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**182.100 Departmental Administration (DHS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administration and support for the Divisions and Operating Office in meeting the needs of the people of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 |
| **State General Funds** | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 | $60,625,706 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 | $48,951,766 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 | $30,923,623 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 | $192,186 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 | $6,708,252 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 | $561,250 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 | $6,639,931 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 | $3,926,524 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 | $13,545,587 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 | $12,045,587 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 | $34,465 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,157,524 | $123,157,524 | $123,157,524 | $123,157,524 |

**Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| State General Funds | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 | $22,353,647 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 | $26,222,573 |

**183.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $389 | $389 | $389 | $389 |

**183.2** *Increase funds for personnel for 13 adult protective services caseworkers to investigate reports of abuse, neglect, and/or exploitation of seniors and adults with disabilities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $973,765 | $973,765 | $973,765 | $973,765 |

**183.3** *Increase funds for personnel for three public guardianship caseworkers to coordinate and monitor all services needed for the health and welfare of guardianship clients.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $231,226 | $231,226 | $231,226 | $231,226 |

**183.4** *Increase funds for personnel for one central intake specialist to support the additional caseworkers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $71,956 | $71,956 | $71,956 | $71,956 |

**183.5** *Recognize $274,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Long Term Care Ombudsman Services CFDA 93.042. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**183.100 Elder Abuse Investigations and Prevention** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prevent disabled adults and elder persons from abuse, exploitation and neglect, and investigate situations where it might have occurred.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 | $23,630,983 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 | $3,868,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 | $1,589,387 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 | $2,279,539 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $27,499,909 | $27,499,909 | $27,499,909 | $27,499,909 |

**Elder Community Living Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own communities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| State General Funds | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 | $29,194,215 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 | $30,929,341 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 | $24,728,998 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 | $6,200,343 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 | $60,123,556 |

**184.1** *Recognize $12,345,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Aging Supportive & Senior Centers CFDA 93.044. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**184.2** *Recognize $20,365,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Special Programs for Aging-Nutrition Services CFDA 93.045. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**184.3** *Recognize $1,206,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Special Programs for Aging-Disease Prevention and Health Promotion CFDA 93.043. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**184.4** *Recognize $3,812,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for National Family Caregiver Support CFDA 93.052. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**184.98** *Transfer funds and 21 positions from the Elder Support Services program to the Elder Community Living Services program to consolidate program budgets and expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 |
| Total Public Funds: | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 |

**184.100 Elder Community Living Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgians who need nursing home level of care the option of remaining in their own communities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 |
| **State General Funds** | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 | $33,089,791 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $37,667,070 | $37,667,070 | $37,667,070 | $37,667,070 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,716,727 | $30,716,727 | $30,716,727 | $30,716,727 |
| **Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667** | $6,950,343 | $6,950,343 | $6,950,343 | $6,950,343 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,756,861 | $70,756,861 | $70,756,861 | $70,756,861 |

**Elder Support Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older Georgians, so that they may live in their homes and communities, by providing health, employment, nutrition, and other support and education services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 | $3,895,576 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 | $6,737,729 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 | $5,987,729 |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 | $10,633,305 |

**185.98** *Transfer funds and 21 positions from the Elder Support Services program to the Elder Community Living Services program to consolidate program budgets and expenditures.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,895,576) | ($3,895,576) | ($3,895,576) | ($3,895,576) |
| Social Services Block Grant CFDA93.667 | ($750,000) | ($750,000) | ($750,000) | ($750,000) |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | ($5,987,729) | ($5,987,729) | ($5,987,729) | ($5,987,729) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($10,633,305) | ($10,633,305) | ($10,633,305) | ($10,633,305) |

**Energy Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |

**186.1** *Recognize $117,918,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Low Income Energy Assistance CFDA 93.568. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**186.100 Energy Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist low-income households in meeting their immediate home energy needs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 | $55,320,027 |

**Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 |
| State General Funds | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 | $115,336,155 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 |
| Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569 | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 |
| Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568 | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 | $318,329,736 |

**187.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $398 | $398 | $398 | $398 |

**187.2** *Increase funds for Office of State Administrative Hearings (OSAH) adjudication services to reflect a change in billing methodology.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 | $750,000 |

**187.3** *Increase funds to begin implementation of the Patients First Act (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $943,603 | $943,603 | $943,603 | $943,603 |

**187.4** *Recognize $22,004,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Pandemic Emergency Assistance. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

| **187.100 Federal Eligibility Benefit Services** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to verify eligibility and provide support services for Medicaid, Food Stamp, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF).* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 |
| **State General Funds** | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 | $117,030,156 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 | $202,351,831 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 | $87,511,645 |
| **Community Services Block Grant CFDA93.569** | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 | $44,344 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 | $7,893,411 |
| **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance CFDA93.568** | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 | $435,317 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 | $77,659,246 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 | $28,807,868 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 | $641,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $320,023,737 | $320,023,737 | $320,023,737 | $320,023,737 |

| **Out-of-Home Care** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 |
| State General Funds | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 | $282,150,817 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 | $96,960,082 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 | $35,609,688 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 | $379,110,899 |

**188.1** *Increase funds to reflect the loss of Title IV-E funds associated with the October 1, 2021 implementation of the Family First Prevention Services Act and the statewide transition to increased family-based placement settings.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,577,151 | $6,577,151 | $6,577,151 | $6,577,151 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($6,577,151) | ($6,577,151) | ($6,577,151) | ($6,577,151) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**188.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $80,069 | $80,069 | $80,069 | $80,069 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($80,069) | ($80,069) | ($80,069) | ($80,069) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**188.3** *Reduce funds to reflect savings from a reduction in Out-of-Home Care utilization due to a decline in average monthly placements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($14,369,249) | ($14,369,249) | ($14,369,249) | ($14,369,249) |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | ($2,030,736) | ($2,030,736) | ($2,030,736) | ($2,030,736) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($16,399,985) | ($16,399,985) | ($16,399,985) | ($16,399,985) |

**188.4** *Increase funds to establish a therapeutic foster care program and leverage federal funds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $6,700,000 | $6,700,000 |

**188.100 Out-of-Home Care** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide safe and appropriate temporary homes for children removed from their families due to neglect, abuse, or abandonment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $274,438,788 | $274,438,788 | $281,138,788 | $281,138,788 |
| **State General Funds** | $274,438,788 | $274,438,788 | $281,138,788 | $281,138,788 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $88,272,126 | $88,272,126 | $88,272,126 | $88,272,126 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 | $164,263 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $26,921,732 | $26,921,732 | $26,921,732 | $26,921,732 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 | $61,186,131 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $362,710,914 | $362,710,914 | $369,410,914 | $369,410,914 |

**Refugee Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

**189.100 Refugee Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide employment, health screening, medical, cash, and social services assistance to refugees.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 | $5,035,754 |

**Residential Child Care Licensing** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| State General Funds | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 |

**190.100 Residential Child Care Licensing** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the health and safety of children who receive full-time care outside of their homes by licensing, monitoring, and inspecting residential care providers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 | $1,890,949 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 | $568,850 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 | $2,459,799 |

**Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| State General Funds | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 |

**191.100 Support for Needy Families - Basic Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide cash assistance to needy families in compliance with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 | $70,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 | $36,453,008 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 | $36,523,008 |

**Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 |

**192.100 Support for Needy Families - Work Assistance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist needy Georgian families in achieving self-sufficiency by obtaining and keeping employment as well as complying with Georgia's state plan for the federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 | $18,735,330 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 | $4,540,505 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 | $14,194,825 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 | $18,835,330 |

**Council On Aging** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| State General Funds | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

**193.100 Council On Aging** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist older individuals, at-risk adults, persons with disabilities, their families and caregivers in achieving safe, healthy, independent and self-reliant lives.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| **State General Funds** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 | $311,042 |

**Family Connection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| State General Funds | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 |

**194.100 Family Connection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide a statewide network of county collaboratives that work to improve conditions for children and families.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 | $8,948,139 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| **Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 | $1,236,965 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 | $10,185,104 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| State General Funds | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 |

**195.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Business Enterprise Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people who are blind in becoming successful contributors to the state's economy.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 | $252,131 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 | $2,443,269 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 | $2,695,400 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 |
| State General Funds | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 | $1,334,822 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| Sales and Services | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 | $9,527,918 |

**196.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,130 | $1,130 | $1,130 | $1,130 |

**196.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Departmental Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to help people with disabilities to become fully productive members of society by achieving independence and meaningful employment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 | $1,335,952 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 | $8,142,696 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 | $50,400 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,529,048 | $9,529,048 | $9,529,048 | $9,529,048 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |

**197.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Disability Adjudication Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to efficiently process applications for federal disability programs so that eligible Georgia citizens can obtain support.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 | $70,300,638 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for the Blind** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| Sales and Services | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

**198.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Georgia Industries for the Blind** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to employ people who are blind in manufacturing and packaging facilities in Bainbridge and Griffin.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 | $6,311,008 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 |
| State General Funds | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 | $17,535,060 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| Sales and Services | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 | $87,243,149 |

**199.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $105 | $105 | $105 | $105 |

**199.2** *Increase funds for Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC) for equipment for disabled individuals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $25,000 | $20,000 |

**199.100 Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency: Vocational Rehabilitation Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist people with disabilities so that they may go to work.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $17,535,165 | $17,535,165 | $17,560,165 | $17,555,165 |
| **State General Funds** | $17,535,165 | $17,535,165 | $17,560,165 | $17,555,165 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 | $65,788,389 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 | $3,190,094 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 | $729,606 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,243,254 | $87,243,254 | $87,268,254 | $87,263,254 |

**Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission** **Continuation Budget**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**200.1** *Increase funds to reflect collections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |

**200.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*
***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**200.100 Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund Commission for the purposes of providing care, rehabilitative services, residential housing, health services, and social services to sexually exploited children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Safe Harbor for Sexually Exploited Children Fund** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 | $351,005 |

**All Temporary Assistance for Needy Families benefit payments are calculated utilizing a factor of 66.0% of the standards of need; such payments shall be made from the date of certification and not from the date of application; and the following maximum benefits and maximum standards of need shall apply:**
**For an assistance group of one, the standard of need is $235, and the maximum monthly amount is $155.**
**For an assistance group of two, the standard of need is $356, and the maximum monthly amount is $235.**
**For an assistance group of three, the standard of need is $424, and the maximum monthly amount is $280.**
**For an assistance group of four, the standard of need is $500, and the maximum monthly amount is $330.**
**For an assistance group of five, the standard of need is $573, and the maximum monthly amount is $378.**
**For an assistance group of six, the standard of need is $621, and the maximum monthly amount is $410.**
**For an assistance group of seven, the standard of need is $672, and the maximum monthly amount is $444.**
**For an assistance group of eight, the standard of need is $713, and the maximum monthly amount is $470.**
**For an assistance group of nine, the standard of need is $751, and the maximum monthly amount is $496.**
**For an assistance group of ten, the standard of need is $804, and the maximum monthly amount is $530.**
**For an assistance group of eleven, the standard of need is $860, and the maximum monthly amount is $568.**
**Provided, the Department of Human Services is authorized to make supplemental payments on these maximum monthly amounts up to the amount that is equal to the minimum hourly wage for clients who are enrolled in subsidized work experience and subsidized employment.**

***Section 29: Insurance, Office of the Commissioner of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 |
| State General Funds | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 | $18,418,834 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| State Funds Transfers | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 | $19,006,265 |

**Section Total - Final**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,666,175 | $20,802,081 | $20,963,845 | $20,963,845 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,666,175 | $20,802,081 | $20,963,845 | $20,963,845 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,430,569 | $21,566,475 | $21,728,239 | $21,728,239 |

**Departmental Administration (COI)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and industrial loan transactions and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| State General Funds | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |

**201.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**201.100 Departmental Administration (COI)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to be responsible for protecting the rights of Georgia citizens in insurance and maintain a fire-safe environment.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 | $2,026,697 |

**Enforcement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, industrial loan, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| State General Funds | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

**202.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**202.100 Enforcement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide legal advice and to initiate legal proceedings with regard to enforcement of specific provisions of state law relating to insurance, fire safety, and fraud.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| **State General Funds** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 | $531,607 |

**Fire Safety** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 |
| State General Funds | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 | $7,059,151 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 | $248,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| State Funds Transfers | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 | $334,026 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 | $7,646,582 |

**203.1** *Replace one-time state funds with other funds for nursing home inspections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($100,000) | ($100,000) | ($100,000) | ($100,000) |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**203.2** *Replace one-time state funds with federal funds for manufactured housing inspections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($76,963) | ($76,963) | ($76,963) | ($76,963) |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $76,963 | $76,963 | $76,963 | $76,963 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**203.3** *Increase funds for two building inspectors.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $135,906 | $135,906 | $135,906 |

**203.4** *Increase funds for personnel for two Safety Fire educators.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $161,764 | $161,764 |

**203.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

| **203.100 Fire Safety** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote fire safety awareness through education and training, and to protect the public from fire and limit the loss of life and property by setting the minimum fire safety standards in the state, enforcing and regulating fire safety rules for public buildings and manufactured housing, and regulating the storage, transportation, and handling of hazardous materials, and elevators, boilers and carnivals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,882,188 | $7,018,094 | $7,179,858 | $7,179,858 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,882,188 | $7,018,094 | $7,179,858 | $7,179,858 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 | $325,368 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 | $5,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 | $434,026 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,646,582 | $7,782,488 | $7,944,252 | $7,944,252 |

**Insurance Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| State General Funds | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

**204.100 Insurance Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that licensed insurance entities maintain solvency and conform to state law by conducting financial and market examinations, investigating policyholder complaints, monitoring for compliance with state laws and regulations, reviewing and approving premium rates, and disseminating information to the public and the insurance industry about the state's insurance laws and regulations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 | $5,410,823 |

**Special Fraud** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| State General Funds | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 | $3,390,556 |

**205.1** *Increase funds for personnel for 15 positions and operations. (S and CC:Increase funds for personnel for 16 positions and operations)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,424,304 | $2,424,304 | $2,424,304 | $2,424,304 |

**205.100 Special Fraud** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify and take appropriate action to deter insurance fraud.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 | $5,814,860 |

***Section 30: Investigation, Georgia Bureau of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 |
| State General Funds | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 | $166,222,201 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| Sales and Services | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 | $283,209,214 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $167,192,958 | $160,270,910 | $163,833,049 | $163,996,549 |
| **State General Funds** | $167,192,958 | $160,270,910 | $163,833,049 | $163,996,549 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 | $79,800,185 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 | $79,456,902 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 | $36,923,525 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 | $1,880,460 |
| **Sales and Services** | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 | $35,043,065 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $284,179,971 | $277,257,923 | $280,820,062 | $280,983,562 |

**Bureau Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| State General Funds | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 | $8,044,151 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 | $8,395,054 |

**206.1** *Increase funds for three positions to support the Legal Division and the GBI Gang Task Force.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $270,320 | $270,320 | $270,320 | $270,320 |

**206.100 Bureau Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the highest quality investigative, scientific, information services, and resources for the purpose of maintaining law and order and protecting life and property.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 | $8,314,471 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 | $12,600 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 | $75,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 | $263,303 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,665,374 | $8,665,374 | $8,665,374 | $8,665,374 |

**Criminal Justice Information Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| State General Funds | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| Sales and Services | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 |

| **207.100 Criminal Justice Information Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide the State of Georgia with essential information and identification services through the operation of the Automated Fingerprint Identification System, Criminal History System, Criminal Justice Information Services network, Protective Order Registry, Sexual Violent Offender Registry, and the Uniform Crime Reporting Program.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 | $1,990,828 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **Sales and Services** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 | $11,500,200 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 | $13,491,028 |

| **Forensic Scientific Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms, digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 |
| State General Funds | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 | $39,841,513 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| Sales and Services | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 | $41,781,884 |

**208.1** *Increase funds for the recruitment and retention of medical examiners.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,593,514 | $1,593,514 | $1,593,514 |

**208.2** *Increase funds to expand a forensic pathology fellowship program with Medical College of Georgia. (CC:Increase funds to*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| *expand a forensic pathology fellowship program with medical colleges)* | | |
| State General Funds | $241,529 | $241,529 |

**208.100 Forensic Scientific Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forensic analysis and testimony in the areas of chemistry (drug identification), firearms, digital imaging, forensic biology (serology/DNA), latent prints, pathology, questioned documents, photography, toxicology, implied consent, and trace evidence in support of the criminal justice system; to provide medical examiner (autopsy) services; and to analyze and enter samples into national databases such as AFIS, CODIS, and NIBIN.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,841,513 | $41,435,027 | $41,676,556 | $41,676,556 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,841,513 | $41,435,027 | $41,676,556 | $41,676,556 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 | $1,782,506 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 | $157,865 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 | $152,009 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 | $5,856 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $41,781,884 | $43,375,398 | $43,616,927 | $43,616,927 |

**Regional Investigative Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 |
| State General Funds | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 | $48,986,917 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| Sales and Services | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 | $52,523,720 |

**209.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $437 | $437 | $437 | $437 |

**209.2** *Increase funds to annualize sworn positions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $1,096,121 | $1,096,121 | $1,096,121 |

**209.100 Regional Investigative Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to identify, collect, preserve, and process evidence located during crime scene investigations, and to assist in the investigation, identification, arrest and prosecution of individuals. The purpose of this appropriation is also to coordinate and operate the following specialized units: bingo unit, anti-terrorist team, forensic art, bomb disposal unit, high technology investigations unit, communications center, regional drug enforcement, and polygraph examinations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $48,987,354 | $50,083,475 | $50,083,475 | $50,083,475 |
| **State General Funds** | $48,987,354 | $50,083,475 | $50,083,475 | $50,083,475 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 | $1,812,153 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 | $1,724,650 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 | $1,653,451 |
| **Sales and Services** | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 | $71,199 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $52,524,157 | $53,620,278 | $53,620,278 | $53,620,278 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| State General Funds | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 | $54,310,147 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| Sales and Services | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 | $153,968,883 |

**210.1** *Transfer funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council program to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges program for accountability court grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,006,227) | ($30,006,227) | ($30,006,227) | ($30,006,227) |

**210.2** *Maintain responsibility for managing and administering accountability court grants. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**210.3** *Reduce funds for one-time funding to establish a law enforcement training grant program for state and local law enforcement agencies. (CC:Reduce one-time funds to establish a law enforcement training grant program for state and local law enforcement agencies and reflect $1,003,800 at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center to construct a de-escalation and proper use of force training facility)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($10,000,000) | ($7,500,000) | ($7,500,000) |

**210.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and coordinate criminal justice efforts throughout Georgia, help create safe and secure communities, and award grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,303,920 | $14,303,920 | $16,803,920 | $16,803,920 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,303,920 | $14,303,920 | $16,803,920 | $16,803,920 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 | $76,192,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 | $75,849,643 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 | $343,283 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **Sales and Services** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 | $23,465,810 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,962,656 | $113,962,656 | $116,462,656 | $116,462,656 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| State General Funds | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 | $512,722 |

**211.1** *Transfer funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council program to the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges program for accountability court grants.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,006,227 | $30,006,227 | $30,006,227 | $30,006,227 |

**211.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Council of Accountability Court Judges** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support adult felony drug courts, DUI courts, juvenile drug courts, family dependency treatment courts, mental health courts, and veteran's courts, as well as the Council of Accountability Court Judges. No state funds shall be provided to any accountability court where such court is delinquent in the required reporting and remittance of all fines and fees collected by such court.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 | $30,518,949 |

**Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide certified domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers with funds so as to provide the necessary services to primary and secondary victims of domestic violence and sexual assault statewide.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |
| State General Funds | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 | $12,535,923 |

**212.1** *Increase funds for grants to local domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $700,000 | $700,000 | $700,000 | $700,000 |

**212.2** *Increase funds to provide a 2% increase to domestic violence shelters. (S and CC:Increase funds to provide a 9% increase to domestic violence shelters)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $238,317 | $1,058,927 | $1,072,427 |

**212.3** *Increase funds to fully fund two domestic violence shelters partially funded in FY2020.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $0 | $150,000 |

**212.4** *Increase funds for sexual assault centers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $150,000 | $150,000 |

**212.5** *The Council shall engage stakeholders to evaluate the current funding formula for domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers and study the merits of an updated formula that takes into account many of the factors involved, including but not limited to: number of services provided, number of bed nights provided, area poverty level, service area, and area population, and the Council shall submit a report of their findings to the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees by December 31, 2021. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**212.100 Criminal Justice Coordinating Council: Family Violence** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide certified domestic violence shelters and sexual assault centers with funds so as to provide the necessary services to primary and secondary victims of domestic violence and sexual assault statewide.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,235,923 | $13,624,240 | $14,444,850 | $14,608,350 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,235,923 | $13,624,240 | $14,444,850 | $14,608,350 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,235,923 | $13,624,240 | $14,444,850 | $14,608,350 |

***Section 31: Juvenile Justice, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| State General Funds | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 | $313,167,897 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 | $322,446,475 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $313,473,088 | $313,473,088 | $312,612,368 | $313,473,088 |
| **State General Funds** | $313,473,088 | $313,473,088 | $312,612,368 | $313,473,088 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 | $8,865,832 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 | $4,488,065 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $322,751,666 | $322,751,666 | $321,890,946 | $322,751,666 |

**Community Service** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| State General Funds | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 | $85,579,989 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 |
| Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| Federal Funds Transfers | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 | $90,580,502 |

**213.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,208 | $1,208 | $1,208 | $1,208 |

**213.100 Community Service** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public, hold youth accountable for their actions, assist youth in becoming law-abiding citizens and transition youth from secure detention, and provide the following alternative detention options: non-secure detention shelters, housebound detention, emergency shelters, a short-term stay in a residential placement, tracking services, wraparound services, electronic monitoring, or detention in an alternative program. Additionally, Community Supervision supervises youth directly in the community according to their risk and need levels, provides transitional and treatment services to those youth either directly or by brokering or making appropriate referrals for services, and provides agency-wide services, including intake, court services, and case management.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 |
| **State General Funds** | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 | $85,581,197 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 | $4,587,767 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 | $210,000 |
| **Foster Care Title IV-E CFDA93.658** | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 | $4,377,767 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 | $55,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **Federal Funds Transfers** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **FF Medical Assistance Program CFDA93.778** | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 | $357,746 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $90,581,710 | $90,581,710 | $90,581,710 | $90,581,710 |

**Departmental Administration (DJJ)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| State General Funds | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |

**214.1** *Develop an electronic monitoring supervision program using innovative 21st century technology on offenders being supervised by the Department of Juvenile Justice. (S:YES)(CC:YES; Develop an electronic monitoring supervision program using innovative 21st century technology on offenders being supervised by the Department of Juvenile Justice. This program should include real-time tracking and case management tools.)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**214.100 Departmental Administration (DJJ)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect and serve the citizens of Georgia by holding youthful offenders accountable for their actions through the delivery of effective services in appropriate settings.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 | $23,454,168 |

**Secure Commitment (YDCs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |
| State General Funds | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 | $79,070,769 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 | $81,185,363 |

**215.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $31,257 | $31,257 | $31,257 | $31,257 |

**215.2** *Increase funds for teacher training and experience.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $94,531 | $94,531 | $94,531 | $94,531 |

**215.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for juvenile correctional officers in secure facilities. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**215.4** *Reduce funds for contracts to reflect unused prior year funds and projected expenditures. (CC:NO)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($451,488) | $0 |

**215.100 Secure Commitment (YDCs)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions, and provide secure care and supervision of youth including academic, recreational, vocational, medical, mental health, counseling, and religious services for those youth committed to the Department's custody, or convicted of an offense under Senate Bill 440.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $79,196,557 | $79,196,557 | $78,745,069 | $79,196,557 |
| **State General Funds** | $79,196,557 | $79,196,557 | $78,745,069 | $79,196,557 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 | $2,114,594 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $81,311,151 | $81,311,151 | $80,859,663 | $81,311,151 |

**Secure Detention (RYDCs)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the Short Term Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 | $125,062,971 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 | $127,226,442 |

**216.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $45,616 | $45,616 | $45,616 | $45,616 |

**216.2** *Increase funds for teacher training and experience.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $132,579 | $132,579 | $132,579 | $132,579 |

**216.3** *Utilize existing funds to implement a 10 percent increase for juvenile correctional officers in secure facilities. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**216.4** *Reduce funds for contracts to reflect unused prior year funds and projected expenditures. (CC:NO)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($409,232) | $0 |

**216.100 Secure Detention (RYDCs)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public and hold youth accountable for their actions and, provide temporary, secure care, and supervision of youth who are charged with crimes or who have been found guilty of crimes and are awaiting disposition of their cases by juvenile courts or awaiting placement in one of the Department's treatment programs or facilities, or sentenced to the Short Term Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $125,241,166 | $125,241,166 | $124,831,934 | $125,241,166 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,241,166 | $125,241,166 | $124,831,934 | $125,241,166 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 | $2,163,471 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $127,404,637 | $127,404,637 | $126,995,405 | $127,404,637 |

***Section 32: Labor, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 |
| State General Funds | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 | $12,751,059 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 |
| State Funds Transfers | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 | $114,238,013 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,751,059 | $12,850,517 | $12,949,975 | $12,949,975 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,751,059 | $12,850,517 | $12,949,975 | $12,949,975 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 | $91,880,554 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 | $3,761,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 | $3,161,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 | $5,845,400 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 | $4,286,182 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $114,238,013 | $114,337,471 | $114,436,929 | $114,436,929 |

**Departmental Administration (DOL)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| State General Funds | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Sales and Services | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| State Funds Transfers | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 |

**217.100 Departmental Administration (DOL)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to work with public and private partners in building a world-class workforce system that contributes to Georgia's economic prosperity.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 | $1,654,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 | $24,003,153 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 | $3,426,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 | $2,826,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 | $901,182 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 | $29,985,118 |

**Departmental Administration (DOL) – Special Project** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**218.1** *Add funds for a chief labor officer to be appointed, subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $99,458 | $198,916 | $198,916 |

**218.100 Departmental Administration (DOL) – Special Project** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund a Chief Labor Officer, to be appointed subject to appropriate legislation, to oversee all unemployment insurance matters and respond to financial audit requests.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $99,458 | $198,916 | $198,916 |
| **State General Funds** | $99,458 | $198,916 | $198,916 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $99,458 | $198,916 | $198,916 |

**Labor Market Information** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |

**219.100 Labor Market Information** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect, analyze, and publish a wide array of information about the state's labor market.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 | $2,663,385 |

| **Unemployment Insurance** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| State General Funds | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Sales and Services | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 |

| **220.100 Unemployment Insurance** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance Georgia's economic strength by collecting unemployment insurance taxes from Georgia's employers and distributing unemployment benefits to eligible claimants.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 | $4,211,553 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 | $25,491,766 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 | $30,038,319 |

| **Workforce Solutions** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| State General Funds | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 |

**221.100 Workforce Solutions** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist employers and job seekers with job matching services and to promote economic growth and development.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 | $6,884,723 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 | $39,722,250 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 | $4,944,218 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 | $3,385,000 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 | $1,559,218 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 | $51,551,191 |

***Section 33: Law, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| State General Funds | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 | $30,485,219 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| Sales and Services | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 | $772,051 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Funds Transfers | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 | $71,172,334 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 |
| **State General Funds** | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 | $30,485,736 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **Sales and Services** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 | $850,151 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $92,909,980 | $92,909,980 | $92,909,980 | $92,909,980 |

**Law, Department of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| State General Funds | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 | $29,108,836 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| Sales and Services | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 | $769,940 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Funds Transfers | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 | $36,317,074 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 | $66,195,850 |

**222.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $517 | $517 | $517 | $517 |

**222.2** *Increase funds to reflect historical revenues from reimbursements for legal services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $78,100 | $78,100 | $78,100 | $78,100 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 | $21,623,687 |
| Total Public Funds: | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 | $21,701,787 |

**222.100 Law, Department of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the attorney and legal advisor for all state agencies, departments, authorities, and the Governor; to provide binding opinions on legal questions concerning the state of Georgia and its agencies; and to prepare all contracts and agreements regarding any matter in which the state of Georgia is involved.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 |
| **State General Funds** | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 | $29,109,353 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **Sales and Services** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 | $848,040 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 | $57,940,761 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,898,154 | $87,898,154 | $87,898,154 | $87,898,154 |

**Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| State General Funds | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 | $3,597,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| Sales and Services | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 | $4,976,484 |

**223.1** *Increase funds to reflect historical revenues from Medicaid fraud investigations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $35,342 | $35,342 | $35,342 | $35,342 |

| **223.100 Medicaid Fraud Control Unit** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to serve as the center for the identification, arrest, and prosecution of providers of health services and patients who defraud the Medicaid Program.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 | $1,376,383 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 | $3,633,332 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 | $2,111 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 | $5,011,826 |

**There is hereby appropriated to the Department of Law the sum of $500,000 of the moneys collected in accordance with O.C.G.A. Title 10, Chapter 1, Article 28. The sum of money is appropriated for use by the Department of Law for consumer protection for all the purposes for which such moneys may be appropriated pursuant to Article 28.**

***Section 34: Natural Resources, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 |
| State General Funds | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 | $125,943,818 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Royalties and Rents | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| Sales and Services | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 | $292,986,446 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $130,649,818 | $130,649,818 | $132,649,818 | $133,569,691 |
| **State General Funds** | $130,649,818 | $130,649,818 | $132,649,818 | $133,569,691 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 | $71,208,557 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 | $95,834,071 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 | $549,364 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 | $54,540 |
| **Sales and Services** | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 | $95,175,938 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $297,692,446 | $297,692,446 | $299,692,446 | $300,612,319 |

**Coastal Resources** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| State General Funds | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| Royalties and Rents | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 |

**224.100 Coastal Resources** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to preserve the natural, environmental, historic, archaeological, and recreational resources of the state's coastal zone by balancing economic development with resource preservation and improvement by assessing and restoring coastal wetlands, by regulating development within the coastal zone, by promulgating and enforcing rules and regulations to protect the coastal wetlands, by monitoring the population status of commercially and recreationally fished species and developing fishery management plans, by providing fishing education, and by constructing and maintaining artificial reefs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 | $2,816,944 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 | $5,096,144 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 | $107,925 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 | $70,760 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 | $37,165 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 | $8,021,013 |

**Departmental Administration (DNR)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| State General Funds | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| Sales and Services | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 |

| **225.100 Departmental Administration (DNR)** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| **State General Funds** | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 | $11,779,003 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **Sales and Services** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 | $39,065 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 | $11,818,068 |

**Environmental Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 |
| State General Funds | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 | $28,390,052 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| Sales and Services | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 | $112,957,786 |

**226.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $337 | $337 | $337 | $337 |

**226.100 Environmental Protection** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the quality of Georgia's air by controlling, monitoring and regulating pollution from large, small, mobile, and area sources (including pollution from motor vehicle emissions) by performing ambient air monitoring, and by participating in the Clean Air Campaign; to protect Georgia's land by permitting, managing, and planning for solid waste facilities, by implementing waste reduction strategies, by administering the Solid Waste Trust Fund and the Underground Storage Tank program, by cleaning up scrap tire piles, and by permitting and regulating surface mining operations; to protect Georgia and its citizens from hazardous materials by investigating and remediating hazardous sites, and by utilizing the Hazardous Waste Trust Fund to manage the state's hazardous sites inventory, to oversee site cleanup and brownfield remediation, to remediate abandoned sites, to respond to environmental emergencies, and to monitor and regulate the hazardous materials industry in Georgia. The purpose of this appropriation is also to ensure the quality and quantity of Georgia's water supplies by managing floodplains, by ensuring the safety of dams, by monitoring, regulating, and certifying water quality, and by regulating the amount of water used.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 | $28,390,389 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 | $29,773,879 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 | $54,793,855 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 | $226,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 | $54,567,502 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $112,958,123 | $112,958,123 | $112,958,123 | $112,958,123 |

**Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding through grant and loan opportunities for land conservation, parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| State General Funds | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 | $16,000,000 |

**227.1** *Increase funds for grants and benefits per HB332 and HR238 (2018 Session) to reflect FY2020 collections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,705,266 | $4,705,266 | $4,705,266 | $4,705,266 |

**227.100 Georgia Outdoor Stewardship Program** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding through grant and loan opportunities for land conservation, parks, trails, and outdoor recreation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 | $20,705,266 |

**Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| State General Funds | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |

**228.100 Hazardous Waste Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund investigations and cleanup of abandoned landfills and other hazardous sites, to meet cost-sharing requirements for Superfund sites identified by the US Environmental Protection Agency, to fund related operations and oversight positions within the Environmental Protection Division, and to reimburse local governments for landfill remediation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 | $8,344,246 |

**Law Enforcement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and*

*visitors of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| State General Funds | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 |

**229.1** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $119,873 |

**229.100 Law Enforcement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce all state and federal laws and departmental regulations relative to protecting Georgia's wildlife, natural, archeological, and cultural resources, DNR properties, boating safety, and litter and waste laws; to teach hunter and boater education classes; and to assist other law enforcement agencies upon request in providing public safety for the citizens and visitors of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,365,004 |
| **State General Funds** | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,245,131 | $23,365,004 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 | $3,001,293 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 | $3,657 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,250,081 | $26,369,954 |

**Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 | $12,824,919 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| Sales and Services | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 | $48,420,739 |

**230.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $397 | $397 | $397 | $397 |

**230.2** *Increase funds for an outdoor recreational facility. (CC:Increase funds for state parks and outdoor recreational areas)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,000,000 | $2,800,000 |

**230.100 Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to manage, operate, market, and maintain the state's golf courses, parks, lodges, conference centers, and historic sites.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,825,316 | $12,825,316 | $14,825,316 | $15,625,316 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,825,316 | $12,825,316 | $14,825,316 | $15,625,316 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 | $3,204,029 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 | $32,391,791 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 | $252,251 |
| **Sales and Services** | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 | $32,139,540 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $48,421,136 | $48,421,136 | $50,421,136 | $51,221,136 |

**Solid Waste Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the scrap tire management activity; to enable emergency, preventative, and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management*

*plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| State General Funds | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |

**231.100 Solid Waste Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the administration of the scrap tire management activity; to enable emergency, preventative, and corrective actions at solid waste disposal facilities; to assist local governments with the development of solid waste management plans; and to promote statewide recycling and waste reduction programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 | $2,817,533 |

**Wildlife Resources** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| State General Funds | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| Royalties and Rents | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| Royalties and Rents Not Itemized | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| Sales and Services | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 |

| **232.100 Wildlife Resources** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to regulate hunting, fishing, and the operation of watercraft in Georgia; to provide hunter and boating education; to protect non-game and endangered wildlife; to promulgate statewide hunting, fishing, trapping, and coastal commercial fishing regulations; to operate the state's archery and shooting ranges; to license hunters and anglers; and to register boats.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 | $19,725,990 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 | $30,133,212 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 | $8,497,778 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 | $50,572 |
| **Royalties and Rents** | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| **Royalties and Rents Not Itemized** | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 | $17,375 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 | $8,429,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 | $58,356,980 |

**Provided, that to the extent State Parks and Historic Sites receipts are realized in excess of the amount of such funds contemplated in this Act, the Office of Planning and Budget is authorized to use up to 50 percent of the excess receipts to supplant State funds and the balance may be amended into the budget of the Parks, Recreation and Historic Sites Division for the most critical needs of the Division. This provision shall not apply to revenues collected from a state park's parking pass implemented by the Department.**

***Section 35: Pardons and Paroles, State Board of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| State General Funds | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |
| **State General Funds** | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 | $16,550,100 |

**Board Administration (SBPP)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| State General Funds | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |

**233.100 Board Administration (SBPP)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for the agency.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 | $2,123,228 |

**Clemency Decisions** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Board in exercising its constitutional authority over executive clemency. This includes setting tentative parole dates for offenders in the correctional system and all aspects of parole status of offenders in the community including warrants, violations, commutations, and revocations. The Board coordinates all interstate compact release matters regarding the acceptance and placement of parolees into and from the State of Georgia and administers the pardon process by reviewing all applications and granting or denying these applications based on specific criteria.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| State General Funds | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |

**234.100 Clemency Decisions** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the Board in exercising its constitutional authority over executive clemency. This includes setting tentative parole dates for offenders in the correctional system and all aspects of parole status of offenders in the community including warrants, violations, commutations, and revocations. The Board coordinates all interstate compact release matters regarding the acceptance and placement of parolees into and from the State of Georgia and administers the pardon process by reviewing all applications and granting or denying these applications based on specific criteria.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 | $13,939,621 |

**Victim Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement, conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, host victims visitors' days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections, community supervision, and pardons and paroles systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| State General Funds | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |

**235.100 Victim Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide notification to victims of changes in offender status or placement, conduct outreach and information gathering from victims during clemency proceedings, host victims visitors' days, and act as a liaison for victims to the state corrections, community supervision, and pardons and paroles systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 | $487,251 |

***Section 36: Properties Commission, State***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**Properties Commission, State** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Funds Transfers | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| State Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

**236.100 Properties Commission, State** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain long-term plans for state buildings and land; to compile an accessible database of state-owned and leased real property with information about utilization, demand management, and space standards; and to negotiate better rates in the leasing market and property acquisitions and dispositions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **State Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 | $2,207,500 |

***Section 37: Public Defender Council, Georgia***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 |
| State General Funds | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 | $58,736,441 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 | $92,144,741 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $59,525,534 | $61,808,171 | $61,161,427 | $61,808,171 |
| **State General Funds** | $59,525,534 | $61,808,171 | $61,161,427 | $61,808,171 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 | $33,340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $92,933,834 | $95,216,471 | $94,569,727 | $95,216,471 |

**Public Defender Council** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, Central Office, and the administration of the Conflict Division.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 |
| State General Funds | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 | $7,835,075 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 | $9,743,375 |

**237.1** *Increase funds for rent to relocate to the Trinity-Washington Building.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $286,131 | $286,131 | $286,131 | $286,131 |

**237.2** *Increase funds to restore personnel reductions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $18,971 | $18,971 | $18,971 |

**237.100 Public Defender Council** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund the Office of the Georgia Capital Defender, Office of the Mental Health Advocate, Central Office, and the administration of the Conflict Division.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,121,206 | $8,140,177 | $8,140,177 | $8,140,177 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,121,206 | $8,140,177 | $8,140,177 | $8,140,177 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 | $68,300 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 | $1,840,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Interest and Investment Income Not Itemized** | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 | $340,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,029,506 | $10,048,477 | $10,048,477 | $10,048,477 |

**Public Defenders** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12; including providing representation to clients in cases where the Capital Defender or a circuit public defender has a conflict of interest.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| State General Funds | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 | $50,901,366 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 | $82,401,366 |

**238.1** *Increase funds for three Assistant Public Defenders to reflect new judgeships in the Cobb, Flint, and Ogeechee Judicial Circuits starting January 1, 2022 per HB786 (2020 Session). (H and S:Increase funds for an assistant public defender to reflect the new judgeship in the Cobb Judicial Circuit starting January 1, 2022, per HB786 (2020 Session))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $125,703 | $41,901 | $41,901 | $41,901 |

**238.2** *Increase funds for a proposed new judicial circuit in Columbia County.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $377,259 | $1,024,003 | $377,259 | $1,024,003 |

**238.3** *Increase funds for an assistant public defender to reflect the new judgeship in the Flint Judicial Circuit starting January 1, 2022, per HB786 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $41,901 | $41,901 | $41,901 |

**238.4** *Increase funds for an assistant public defender to reflect the new judgeship in the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit starting January 1, 2022, per HB786 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $41,901 | $41,901 | $41,901 |

**238.5** *Increase funds for five juvenile assistant public defenders.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $470,500 | $470,500 | $470,500 |

**238.6** *Increase funds for leave payouts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |

**238.7** *Increase funds for personnel for ongoing recruitment and retention of assistant public defenders.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $746,422 | $746,422 | $746,422 |

**238.100 Public Defenders** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assure that adequate and effective legal representation is provided, independently of political considerations or private interests, to indigent persons who are entitled to representation under this chapter; provided that staffing for circuits are based on O.C.G.A. 17-12; including providing representation to clients in cases where the Capital Defender or a circuit public defender has a conflict of interest.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $51,404,328 | $53,667,994 | $53,021,250 | $53,667,994 |
| **State General Funds** | $51,404,328 | $53,667,994 | $53,021,250 | $53,667,994 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 | $31,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $82,904,328 | $85,167,994 | $84,521,250 | $85,167,994 |

***Section 38: Public Health, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 | $284,031,024 |
| State General Funds | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 | $268,881,635 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| Sales and Services | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| State Funds Transfers | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 | $690,140,645 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $284,908,832 | $287,806,818 | $287,723,927 | $287,798,927 |
| **State General Funds** | $269,828,215 | $272,726,201 | $272,643,310 | $272,718,310 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 | $13,717,860 |
| **Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 | $395,951,809 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 | $366,475,845 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 | $16,864,606 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 | $2,206,829 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 | $9,575,836 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 | $370,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 | $8,594,702 |
| **Sales and Services** | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 | $611,134 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 | $581,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $691,018,453 | $693,916,439 | $693,833,548 | $693,908,548 |

**Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 | $18,899,496 |
| State General Funds | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 | $12,042,317 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 | $39,112,277 |

**239.1** *Increase funds to Georgia CORE. (S and CC:Increase funds for Georgia CORE for screening for leading cancers, care coordination and navigation, and prevention education)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $100,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |

**239.2** *Increase funds for the Sickle Cell Foundation of Georgia.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $240,000 | $365,000 | $365,000 |

**239.3** *Increase funds for feminine hygiene products.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |

**239.4** *Increase funds for a nurse peer assistance program to support nurses recovering from substance use, and report to the Chairs of the House and Senate Appropriations Committees regarding outcomes by December 1, 2021.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $75,000 | $150,000 |

**239.100 Adolescent and Adult Health Promotion** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote the health and well-being of Georgians. Activities include preventing teenage pregnancies, tobacco use prevention, cancer screening and prevention, and family planning services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $18,899,496 | $19,439,496 | $19,839,496 | $19,914,496 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,042,317 | $12,582,317 | $12,982,317 | $13,057,317 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 | $6,857,179 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 | $19,467,781 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 | $8,397,424 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 | $516,828 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 | $149,000 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |
| **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Grant CFDA93.558** | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 | $10,404,529 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 | $335,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 | $285,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 | $410,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,112,277 | $39,652,277 | $40,052,277 | $40,127,277 |

**Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 |

**240.100 Adult Essential Health Treatment Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide treatment and services to low-income Georgians with cancer, and Georgians at risk of stroke or heart attacks.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 | $6,613,249 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 | $300,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 | $6,913,249 |

**Departmental Administration (DPH)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 | $24,265,787 |
| State General Funds | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 | $24,133,992 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 | $36,523,643 |

**241.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $653 | $653 | $653 | $653 |

**241.2** *Add funds for a chief medical officer, a deputy commissioner of public health, and a chief data officer to support the agency with COVID-19 pandemic response as well as provide ongoing public health leadership.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $857,986 | $857,986 | $857,986 |

**241.100 Departmental Administration (DPH)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to all departmental programs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,266,440 | $25,124,426 | $25,124,426 | $25,124,426 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,134,645 | $24,992,631 | $24,992,631 | $24,992,631 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 | $131,795 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 | $8,312,856 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 | $7,045,918 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 | $1,266,938 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 | $3,945,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,524,296 | $37,382,282 | $37,382,282 | $37,382,282 |

**Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the*

*capacity of the state's trauma system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 |
| State General Funds | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 | $4,838,266 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| State Funds Transfers | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 | $28,685,715 |

**242.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $849 | $849 | $849 | $849 |

**242.2** *Increase funds to support Grady Memorial Hospital's efforts to continue the coordination of emergency room use in the 13-county metro Atlanta area.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $506,000 | $506,000 | $506,000 | $506,000 |

**242.100 Emergency Preparedness / Trauma System Improvement** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to prepare for natural disasters, bioterrorism, and other emergencies, as well as improving the capacity of the state's trauma system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 | $5,345,115 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 | $23,675,473 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 | $23,125,473 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 | $200,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 | $171,976 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $29,192,564 | $29,192,564 | $29,192,564 | $29,192,564 |

**Epidemiology** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 |
| State General Funds | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 |

**243.1** *Add funds for the ongoing maintenance and operations of the new vaccine management system. (S and CC:YES; Recognize federal funds for maintenance and operations of the new vaccine management system)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,500,000 | $0 | $0 |

**243.100 Epidemiology** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor, investigate, and respond to disease, injury, and other events of public health concern.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,301,213 | $6,801,213 | $5,301,213 | $5,301,213 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,185,576 | $6,685,576 | $5,185,576 | $5,185,576 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 | $115,637 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 | $6,552,593 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,853,806 | $13,353,806 | $11,853,806 | $11,853,806 |

**Immunization** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| State General Funds | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 |

**244.100 Immunization** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide immunization, consultation, training, assessment, vaccines, and technical assistance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 | $2,410,878 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 | $2,061,486 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 | $4,649,702 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 | $9,122,066 |

**Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 |
| State General Funds | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 | $24,318,342 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 | $47,396,162 |

**245.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,931 | $3,931 | $3,931 | $3,931 |

**245.2** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) from 67.03% to 66.85%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,963 | $30,963 | $30,963 | $30,963 |

| **245.100 Infant and Child Essential Health Treatment Services** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to avoid unnecessary health problems in later life by providing comprehensive health services to infants and children.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 | $24,353,236 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 | $22,992,820 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 | $14,255,140 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 | $8,605,171 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 | $132,509 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 | $85,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $47,431,056 | $47,431,056 | $47,431,056 | $47,431,056 |

| **Infant and Child Health Promotion** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| State General Funds | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 |
| Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 |

**246.1** *Increase funds for newborn screening of Krabbe disease.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,017,109 | $1,017,109 |

**246.2** *Recognize $13,267,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Supplemental Nutrition-Women, Infants & Children CFDA 10.557. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

| **246.100 Infant and Child Health Promotion** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide education and services to promote health and nutrition for infants and children.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $14,859,827 | $14,859,827 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,842,718 | $13,842,718 | $14,859,827 | $14,859,827 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 | $263,619,396 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 | $256,226,789 |
| **Maternal & Child Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.994** | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 | $7,392,607 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $277,462,114 | $277,462,114 | $278,479,223 | $278,479,223 |

**Infectious Disease Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 |
| State General Funds | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 | $31,990,712 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 | $79,918,373 |

**247.1** *Increase funds to accurately reflect the reduction of FY2021 vacant positions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $144,026 | $144,026 | $144,026 | $144,026 |

**247.2** *Increase funds for the second year of a three-year pilot for pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) for individuals at risk of HIV pursuant to passage of HB290 (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $85,650 | $85,650 | $85,650 | $85,650 |

**247.100 Infectious Disease Control** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure quality prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted diseases, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 |
| **State General Funds** | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 | $32,220,388 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 | $47,927,661 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $80,148,049 | $80,148,049 | $80,148,049 | $80,148,049 |

**Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| State General Funds | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 | $6,143,074 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 |
| Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991 | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| Sales and Services | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 | $7,215,271 |

**248.1** *Increase funds for body art licensure pursuant to the passage of SB214 (2019 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $173,600 | $173,600 | $173,600 | $173,600 |

**248.100 Inspections and Environmental Hazard Control** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to detect and prevent environmental hazards, as well as providing inspection and enforcement of health regulations for food service establishments, sewage management facilities, and swimming pools.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 | $6,316,674 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 | $511,063 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 | $352,681 |
| **Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant CFDA93.991** | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 | $158,382 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **Sales and Services** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 | $561,134 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,388,871 | $7,388,871 | $7,388,871 | $7,388,871 |

**Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| State General Funds | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

**249.100 Public Health Formula Grants to Counties** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide general grant-in-aid to county boards of health delivering local public health services.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 | $125,293,299 |

**Vital Records** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| State General Funds | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 | $4,275,566 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 | $4,806,246 |

**250.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $908 | $908 | $908 | $908 |

**250.100 Vital Records** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to register, enter, archive and provide to the public in a timely manner vital records and associated documents.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 | $4,276,474 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 | $530,680 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,807,154 | $4,807,154 | $4,807,154 | $4,807,154 |

**Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 | $1,431,529 |

**251.1** *Reduce funds to reflect FY2020 collections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund | ($68,772) | ($68,772) | ($68,772) | ($68,772) |

**251.100 Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide disbursements from the Trust Fund to offset the costs of care and rehabilitative services to citizens of the state who have survived brain or spinal cord injuries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| **Brain & Spinal Injury Trust Fund** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 | $1,362,757 |

**Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| State General Funds | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |

**252.100 Georgia Trauma Care Network Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish, maintain, and administer a trauma center network, to coordinate the best use of existing trauma facilities and to direct patients to the best available facility for treatment of traumatic injury and participate in the*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *accountability mechanism for the entire Georgia trauma system, primarily overseeing the flow of funds for system improvement.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| **State General Funds** | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 | $14,406,895 |

***Section 39: Public Safety, Department of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 |
| State General Funds | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 | $181,484,489 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| Sales and Services | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| State Funds Transfers | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 | $242,291,292 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $184,662,943 | $184,469,533 | $187,979,391 | $186,271,040 |
| **State General Funds** | $184,662,943 | $184,469,533 | $187,979,391 | $186,271,040 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 | $33,927,849 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 | $26,358,168 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 | $4,513,879 |
| **Sales and Services** | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 | $21,224,289 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 | $520,786 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $245,469,746 | $245,276,336 | $248,786,194 | $247,077,843 |

**Aviation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |
| State General Funds | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 | $4,008,353 |

**253.1** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,523 | $9,076 | $13,046 |

**253.2** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (CC:NO)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $22,680 | $0 | |

**253.100 Aviation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide aerial support for search and rescue missions and search and apprehension missions in criminal pursuits within the State of Georgia; to provide transport flights to conduct state business, for emergency medical transport, and to support local and federal agencies in public safety efforts with aerial surveillance and observation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,008,353 | $4,014,876 | $4,040,109 | $4,021,399 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,008,353 | $4,014,876 | $4,040,109 | $4,021,399 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,008,353 | $4,014,876 | $4,040,109 | $4,021,399 |

**Capitol Police Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| Sales and Services | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |

**254.1** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel. (S and CC:YES; Utilize existing funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $38,379 | $0 | $0 |

**254.2** *Utilize existing funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (S:YES)(CC:NO)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | |

**254.100 Capitol Police Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect life and property in the Capitol Square area, enforce traffic regulations around the Capitol, monitor entrances of state buildings, screen packages and personal items of individuals entering state facilities, and provide general security for elected officials, government employees, and visitors to the Capitol.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $38,379 | $0 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $38,379 | $0 | $0 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,405,077 | $8,443,456 | $8,405,077 | $8,405,077 |

**Departmental Administration (DPS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department and administratively attached agencies.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 |
| State General Funds | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| Sales and Services | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 |

**255.1** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (CC:NO)*

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|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $30,780 | $0 |

**255.100 Departmental Administration (DPS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support for all programs of the department and administratively attached agencies.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,676,566 | $8,645,786 |
| **State General Funds** | $8,645,786 | $8,645,786 | $8,676,566 | $8,645,786 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 | $3,510 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,649,296 | $8,649,296 | $8,680,076 | $8,649,296 |

**Field Offices and Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team, the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 |
| State General Funds | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 | $128,160,036 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 |
| Sales and Services | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| State Funds Transfers | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 | $131,097,870 |

**256.1** *Increase funds for one 75-person trooper school.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,176,833 | $1,567,575 | $3,176,833 | $1,567,575 |

**256.2** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $390,732 | $582,441 | $796,788 |

**256.3** *Utilize existing funds ($1,011,300) for one-time facility repairs and maintenance for post buildings statewide. (H:YES)(S:NO)(CC:NO)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**256.4** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (CC:NO)*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,227,150 | $0 |

**256.100 Field Offices and Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide enforcement for traffic and criminal laws through the Department of Public Safety's Uniform Division, and support a variety of specialized teams and offices, which include the Motorcycle Unit, Criminal Interdiction Unit, the Crisis Negotiations Team, the Special Projects Adjutant Office, Headquarters Adjutant Office, Special Investigations Office, the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Unit, and the Training Unit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $131,336,869 | $130,118,343 | $133,146,460 | $130,524,399 |
| **State General Funds** | $131,336,869 | $130,118,343 | $133,146,460 | $130,524,399 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 | $1,888,148 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 | $673,900 |
| **Sales and Services** | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 | $53,900 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **Sanctions, Fines, and Penalties Not Itemized** | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 | $620,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 | $375,786 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $134,274,703 | $133,056,177 | $136,084,294 | $133,462,233 |

**Motor Carrier Compliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 |
| State General Funds | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 | $15,339,295 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| Sales and Services | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 | $37,761,366 |

**257.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $740 | $740 | $740 | $740 |

**257.2** *Increase funds to create two new job classes to retain experienced sworn personnel.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $97,240 | $135,683 | $167,343 |

**257.3** *Increase funds for one-time funds for facility repairs and maintenance for weigh stations and communication towers.*

*(S:NO)(CC:NO)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $708,000 | $0 | $0 |

**257.4** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (CC:NO)*

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|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $128,790 | $0 | |

**257.100 Motor Carrier Compliance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide inspection, regulation, and enforcement for size, weight, and safety standards as well as traffic and criminal laws for commercial motor carriers, limousines, non-consensual tow trucks, household goods movers, all buses, and large passenger vehicles as well as providing High Occupancy Vehicle and High Occupancy Toll lane use restriction enforcement.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,340,035 | $16,145,275 | $15,604,508 | $15,507,378 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,340,035 | $16,145,275 | $15,604,508 | $15,507,378 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 | $11,289,344 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 | $11,132,727 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 | $370,923 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 | $10,761,804 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $37,762,106 | $38,567,346 | $38,026,579 | $37,929,449 |

**Office of Public Safety Officer Support** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide peer counselors and critical incident support services to requesting local and state public entities that employ public safety officers.*

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| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |
| State General Funds | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 | $1,109,427 |

**258.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $450 | $450 | $450 | $450 |

**258.2** *Increase funds for education incentive payments to be established by the Board of Public Safety by January 1, 2022, and which shall include a list of applicable degrees that are eligible for the incentive to be submitted to the Chairs of the House Appropriations Public Safety Subcommittee and the Senate Appropriations Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee. (CC:NO)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,110 | $0 |

**258.3** *Reduce funds for two clinician positions to recognize the use of two contract clinicians. (CC:Reduce funds)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($145,367) | ($145,367) |

**258.100 Office of Public Safety Officer Support** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide peer counselors and critical incident support services to requesting local and state public entities that employ public safety officers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,109,877 | $1,109,877 | $989,620 | $964,510 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,109,877 | $1,109,877 | $989,620 | $964,510 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,109,877 | $1,109,877 | $989,620 | $964,510 |

**Firefighter Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |
| State General Funds | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 | $1,332,512 |

**259.1** *Increase funds for virtual testing resources for firefighter certification and training.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |

**259.100 Firefighter Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide professionally trained, competent, and ethical firefighters with the proper equipment and facilities to ensure a fire-safe environment for Georgia citizens, and establish professional standards for fire service training including consulting, testing, and certification of Georgia firefighters.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,332,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $1,332,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,332,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 | $1,482,512 |

**Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |
| State General Funds | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 | $3,870,669 |

**260.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $431 | $431 | $431 | $431 |

**260.2** *Increase funds for 20 new computers and software updates.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $18,000 | $18,000 | $18,000 |

**260.3** *Increase funds for personnel for three auditor positions, two investigator positions, one curriculum development position, and one cyber security technician position and operations to strengthen the oversight and investigative mission of the Agency. (CC:Increase funds for two auditor positions, one investigator position, one curriculum development position, and one cyber security technician position and operations to strengthen the oversight and investigative mission of the agency)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $733,666 | $527,306 |

**260.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $55,000 | $55,000 |

**260.100 Peace Officer Standards and Training Council, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to set standards for the law enforcement community; ensure adequate training at the highest level for all of Georgia's law enforcement officers and public safety professionals; and, certify individuals when all requirements are met. Investigate officers and public safety professionals when an allegation of unethical and/or illegal conduct is made, and sanction these individuals by disciplining officers and public safety professionals when necessary.*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,871,100 | $3,889,100 | $4,677,766 | $4,471,406 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $3,871,100 | $3,889,100 | $4,677,766 | $4,471,406 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,871,100 | $3,889,100 | $4,677,766 | $4,471,406 |

**Public Safety Training Center, Georgia** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 |
| State General Funds | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| Sales and Services | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 |

**261.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $247 | $247 |

**261.2** *Increase funds for the School Resource Officer program.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $191,525 | $191,525 |

**261.3** *Increase funds for recruitment and retention of Georgia Fire Academy instructors.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $49,875 | $49,875 |

**261.4** *Increase funds to restore one vacant position and for one additional instructor position to provide training for volunteer firefighters.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $199,318 | $199,318 |

**261.5** *Reduce funds for contracts. (CC:NO)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($150,000) | $0 |

**261.6** *Add one-time funds to construct a de-escalation and proper use of force training facility.*

State General Funds $1,003,800

**261.7** *Increase funds for a deputy director position.*

State General Funds $178,000

**261.100 Public Safety Training Center, Georgia** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop, deliver, and facilitate training that results in professional and competent public safety services for the people of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,884,528 | $17,216,328 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,593,563 | $15,593,563 | $15,884,528 | $17,216,328 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 | $1,061,179 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 | $5,635,042 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 | $4,142,956 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 | $1,492,086 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,289,784 | $22,289,784 | $22,580,749 | $23,912,549 |

**Highway Safety, Office of** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 |
| State General Funds | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 | $3,424,848 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| Sales and Services | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 | $23,766,938 |

**262.1** *Increase funds for information technology enhancements for the grant system and remote-in software. (S and CC:Restore funds for operations)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $6,974 | $52,474 | $12,474 |

**262.100 Highway Safety, Office of** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to educate the public on highway safety issues, and facilitate the implementation of programs to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities on Georgia roadways.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,424,848 | $3,431,822 | $3,477,322 | $3,437,322 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,424,848 | $3,431,822 | $3,477,322 | $3,437,322 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 | $19,689,178 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **Sales and Services** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 | $507,912 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 | $145,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $23,766,938 | $23,773,912 | $23,819,412 | $23,779,412 |

***Section 40: Public Service Commission***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 |
| State General Funds | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 | $9,493,797 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 | $10,836,897 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,493,797 | $9,543,797 | $9,543,797 | $9,543,797 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,493,797 | $9,543,797 | $9,543,797 | $9,543,797 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 | $1,343,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,836,897 | $10,886,897 | $10,886,897 | $10,886,897 |

**Commission Administration (PSC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 |
| State General Funds | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 | $1,574,819 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 | $1,658,319 |

**263.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for legal fees.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**263.100 Commission Administration (PSC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist the Commissioners and staff in achieving the agency's goals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,574,819 | $1,624,819 | $1,624,819 | $1,624,819 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,574,819 | $1,624,819 | $1,624,819 | $1,624,819 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 | $83,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,658,319 | $1,708,319 | $1,708,319 | $1,708,319 |

**Facility Protection** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| State General Funds | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 |

| **264.100 Facility Protection** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce state and federal regulations pertaining to buried utility facility infrastructure and to promote safety through training and inspections.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 | $1,280,126 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 | $1,231,100 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 | $2,511,226 |

| **Utilities Regulation** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| State General Funds | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 |

| **265.100 Utilities Regulation** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to monitor the rates and service standards of electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies, approve supply plans for electric and natural gas companies, monitor utility system and telecommunications network planning, arbitrate complaints among competitors, provide consumer protection and education, and certify competitive natural gas and telecommunications providers.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 | $6,638,852 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 | $28,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 | $6,667,352 |

***Section 41: Regents, University System of Georgia***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 |
| State General Funds | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 | $2,299,998,820 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| Sales and Services | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 | $8,231,870,817 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,431,404,157 | $2,448,250,714 | $2,452,701,892 | $2,457,473,476 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,431,404,157 | $2,448,250,714 | $2,452,701,892 | $2,457,473,476 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 | $5,914,401,149 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 | $2,690,227,657 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 | $2,580,233,448 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 | $386,628,992 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 | $2,837,504,500 |
| **Record Center Storage Fees** | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 | $535,607,355 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 | $17,470,848 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 | $14,241,063 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,363,276,154 | $8,380,122,711 | $8,384,573,889 | $8,389,345,473 |

**Agricultural Experiment Station** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 |
| State General Funds | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 | $42,409,663 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 | $87,592,318 |

**266.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $128,888 | $128,888 | $128,888 | $128,888 |

**266.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($32,484) | ($32,484) | ($32,484) | ($32,484) |

**266.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($118,443) | ($118,443) | ($118,443) | ($118,443) |

**266.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,851,620 | $2,000,000 | $2,851,620 |

| **266.100 Agricultural Experiment Station** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve production, processing, new product development, food safety, storage, and marketing to increase profitability and global competiveness of Georgia's agribusiness.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $42,387,624 | $45,239,244 | $44,387,624 | $45,239,244 |
| **State General Funds** | $42,387,624 | $45,239,244 | $44,387,624 | $45,239,244 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 | $39,069,877 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 | $27,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 | $10,069,877 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 | $6,112,778 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $87,570,279 | $90,421,899 | $89,570,279 | $90,421,899 |

**Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories Contract** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, disease research, and educational outreach for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| Sales and Services | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**267.100 Athens and Tifton Veterinary Laboratories Contract** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide diagnostic services, disease research, and educational outreach for veterinarians and animal owners to ensure the safety of Georgia's food supply and the health of Georgia's production, equine, and companion animals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 | $3,140,215 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 | $345,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 | $2,795,215 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 | $3,229,785 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**Cooperative Extension Service** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 |
| State General Funds | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 | $39,361,391 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| Sales and Services | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| Agency Funds Transfers | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 | $73,989,676 |

**268.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $156,882 | $156,882 | $156,882 | $156,882 |

**268.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($49,540) | ($49,540) | ($49,540) | ($49,540) |

**268.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($60,657) | ($60,657) | ($60,657) | ($60,657) |

**268.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $2,652,325 | $2,000,000 | $2,652,325 |

**268.100 Cooperative Extension Service** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide training, educational programs, and outreach to Georgians in agricultural, horticultural, food, and family and consumer sciences, and to manage the 4-H youth program for the state.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,408,076 | $42,060,401 | $41,408,076 | $42,060,401 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,408,076 | $42,060,401 | $41,408,076 | $42,060,401 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 | $26,500,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 | $250,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 | $16,250,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Agency Funds Transfers** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **Agency Fund Transfers Not Itemized** | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 | $8,128,285 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $74,036,361 | $76,688,686 | $76,036,361 | $76,688,686 |

**Enterprise Innovation Institute** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 |
| State General Funds | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 | $9,459,608 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| Sales and Services | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 | $24,459,608 |

**269.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $14,942 | $14,942 | $14,942 | $14,942 |

**269.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance ($4,150) and retiree health benefits ($1,617).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($5,767) | ($5,767) | ($5,767) | ($5,767) |

**269.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($24,136) | ($24,136) | ($24,136) | ($24,136) |

**269.4** *Provide that funding and responsibility for Invest Georgia shall remain with the Board of Regents. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**269.5** *Increase funds for the Partnership for Inclusive Innovation (PI2) to fund grants and leverage private dollars.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |

**269.6** *Increase funds for the Advanced Technology Development Center (ATDC) services for start-ups and establish an additional satellite location.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $500,000 | $500,000 |

**269.100 Enterprise Innovation Institute** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to advise Georgia manufacturers, entrepreneurs, and government officials on best business practices and technology-driven economic development, and to provide the state share to federal incentive and assistance programs for entrepreneurs and innovative businesses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,444,647 | $9,444,647 | $11,444,647 | $11,444,647 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,444,647 | $9,444,647 | $11,444,647 | $11,444,647 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 | $15,000,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 | $10,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,444,647 | $24,444,647 | $26,444,647 | $26,444,647 |

**Forestry Cooperative Extension** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 |
| State General Funds | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 | $912,598 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| Sales and Services | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 | $1,613,586 |

**270.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,633 | $2,633 | $2,633 | $2,633 |

**270.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,111) | ($1,111) | ($1,111) | ($1,111) |

**270.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($11,902) | ($11,902) | ($11,902) | ($11,902) |

**270.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $64,122 | $64,122 | $64,122 |

**270.100 Forestry Cooperative Extension** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for faculty to support instruction and outreach about conservation and sustainable management of forests and other natural resources.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $902,218 | $966,340 | $966,340 | $966,340 |
| **State General Funds** | $902,218 | $966,340 | $966,340 | $966,340 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 | $700,988 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 | $475,988 |
| **Sales and Services** | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,603,206 | $1,667,328 | $1,667,328 | $1,667,328 |

**Forestry Research** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 |
| State General Funds | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 | $2,666,683 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| Sales and Services | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 | $14,145,926 |

**271.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $9,891 | $9,891 | $9,891 | $9,891 |

**271.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($2,881) | ($2,881) | ($2,881) | ($2,881) |

**271.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($9,089) | ($9,089) | ($9,089) | ($9,089) |

**271.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $198,527 | $198,527 | $198,527 |

**271.100 Forestry Research** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct research about economically and environmentally sound forest resources management and to assist non-industrial forest landowners and natural resources professionals in complying with state and federal regulations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,664,604 | $2,863,131 | $2,863,131 | $2,863,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,664,604 | $2,863,131 | $2,863,131 | $2,863,131 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 | $11,479,243 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 | $9,000,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 | $850,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 | $1,629,243 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $14,143,847 | $14,342,374 | $14,342,374 | $14,342,374 |

**Georgia Archives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| State General Funds | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 | $4,304,139 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| Sales and Services | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 |
| Record Center Storage Fees | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 | $5,272,051 |

**272.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,356 | $6,356 | $6,356 | $6,356 |

**272.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($586) | ($586) | ($586) | ($586) |

**272.100 Georgia Archives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to maintain the state's archives; document and interpret the history of the Georgia State Capitol building; and assist State Agencies with adequately documenting their activities, administering their records management programs, scheduling their records, and transferring their non-current records to the State Records Center.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 | $4,309,909 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 | $967,912 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 | $93,085 |
| **Sales and Services** | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 | $874,827 |
| **Record Center Storage Fees** | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 | $801,101 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 | $73,726 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,277,821 | $5,277,821 | $5,277,821 | $5,277,821 |

**Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance cybersecurity technology for private and public industries through unique education, training, research, and practical applications.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 |
| State General Funds | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 | $5,346,572 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| Sales and Services | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 | $6,119,554 |

**273.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,441 | $6,441 | $6,441 | $6,441 |

**273.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,507) | ($1,507) | ($1,507) | ($1,507) |

**273.3** *Reduce funds for one-time funding for the Cybersecurity Maturity Model Certification (CMMC) program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($75,000) | ($75,000) | ($75,000) |

**273.4** *Increase funds for a rural coding program in partnership with the Department of Education.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $945,000 | $945,000 |

**273.100 Georgia Cyber Innovation and Training Center** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enhance cybersecurity technology for private and public industries through unique education, training, research, and practical applications.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,351,506 | $5,276,506 | $6,221,506 | $6,221,506 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,351,506 | $5,276,506 | $6,221,506 | $6,221,506 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **Sales and Services** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 | $772,982 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,124,488 | $6,049,488 | $6,994,488 | $6,994,488 |

**Georgia Research Alliance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand research and commercialization capacity in public and private universities in Georgia to launch new companies and create jobs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| State General Funds | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 | $4,569,571 |

**274.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,434 | $1,434 | $1,434 | $1,434 |

**274.2** *Increase funds for an eminent scholar for sickle cell research. (S and CC:Increase funds for one-time funding for an eminent scholar for sickle cell research)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $500,000 | $500,000 | $500,000 |

**274.3** *Increase funds for GRA Venture Fund for grants and start-up loans. (CC:Increase funds for GRA Venture program for grants and start-up loans)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $700,000 | $540,000 |

**274.4** *Increase funds to recruit Academy of Eminent Scholars into research fields with a focus on rural Georgia and historically black colleges and universities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $500,000 | $500,000 |

**274.100 Georgia Research Alliance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to expand research and commercialization capacity in public and private universities in Georgia to launch new companies and create jobs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,571,005 | $5,071,005 | $6,271,005 | $6,111,005 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,571,005 | $5,071,005 | $6,271,005 | $6,111,005 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,571,005 | $5,071,005 | $6,271,005 | $6,111,005 |

**Georgia Tech Research Institute** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 |
| State General Funds | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 | $5,490,643 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| Sales and Services | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 | $645,151,650 |

**275.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $586 | $586 | $586 | $586 |

**275.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance ($1,903) and retiree health benefits ($47,569).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($49,472) | ($49,472) | ($49,472) | ($49,472) |

**275.3** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $359,041 | $359,041 | $359,041 |

**275.100 Georgia Tech Research Institute** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding to laboratories and research centers affiliated with the Georgia Institute of Technology whose scientific, engineering, industrial, or policy research promotes economic development, health, and safety in Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,441,757 | $5,800,798 | $5,800,798 | $5,800,798 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,441,757 | $5,800,798 | $5,800,798 | $5,800,798 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 | $639,661,007 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 | $405,508,335 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 | $225,553,337 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 | $8,599,335 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $645,102,764 | $645,461,805 | $645,461,805 | $645,461,805 |

**Marine Institute** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 |
| State General Funds | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 | $900,618 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 | $1,386,899 |

**276.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,226 | $3,226 | $3,226 | $3,226 |

**276.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($733) | ($733) | ($733) | ($733) |

**276.3** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $71,707 | $71,707 | $71,707 |

**276.100 Marine Institute** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support research on coastal processes involving the unique ecosystems of the Georgia coastline and to provide access and facilities for graduate and undergraduate classes to conduct field research on the Georgia coast.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $903,111 | $974,818 | $974,818 | $974,818 |
| **State General Funds** | $903,111 | $974,818 | $974,818 | $974,818 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 | $486,281 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 | $367,648 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 | $93,633 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,389,392 | $1,461,099 | $1,461,099 | $1,461,099 |

**Marine Resources Extension Center** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 |
| State General Funds | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 | $1,434,270 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| Sales and Services | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 | $2,974,270 |

**277.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $4,568 | $4,568 | $4,568 | $4,568 |

**277.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,059) | ($1,059) | ($1,059) | ($1,059) |

**277.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($6,809) | ($6,809) | ($6,809) | ($6,809) |

**277.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $83,486 | $83,486 | $83,486 |

| **277.100 Marine Resources Extension Center** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to fund outreach, education, and research to enhance coastal environmental and economic sustainability.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,430,970 | $1,514,456 | $1,514,456 | $1,514,456 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,430,970 | $1,514,456 | $1,514,456 | $1,514,456 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 | $1,540,000 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 | $90,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 | $650,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,970,970 | $3,054,456 | $3,054,456 | $3,054,456 |

| **Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to support graduate medical education at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and provide patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| State General Funds | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 | $28,974,714 |
| **278.1** *Increase funds for operations.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | $1,627,793 | $1,627,793 | $1,627,793 |
| **278.2** *Increase funds to pursue a partnership with Clark Atlanta University for prostate cancer research.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **278.3** *Provide matching funds for endowment gift for Medical College of Georgia 3+ program.* | | | | |
| State General Funds | | | | $5,200,000 |

| **278.100 Medical College of Georgia Hospital and Clinics** | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support graduate medical education at the Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University and provide patient care, including ambulatory, trauma, cancer, neonatal intensive, and emergency and express care.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,702,507 | $35,902,507 |
| **State General Funds** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,702,507 | $35,902,507 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,974,714 | $30,602,507 | $30,702,507 | $35,902,507 |

**Public Libraries** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 |
| State General Funds | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 | $38,905,805 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| Sales and Services | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 | $44,317,109 |

**279.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $150,335 | $150,335 | $149,347 | $149,347 |

**279.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($979) | ($979) | ($979) | ($979) |

**279.3** *Increase funds for the Public Libraries formula based on an increase in the state population.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $345,800 | $345,800 | $47,146 | $47,146 |

**279.4** *Increase funds for materials grants by five cents from $0.35 to $0.40 per capita.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $559,757 | $547,161 | $547,161 |

**279.5** *Recognize $4,333,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Institute for Museum and Library Services Grants CFDA 45.310. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**279.100 Public Libraries** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to award grants from the Public Library Fund, promote literacy, and provide library services that facilitate access to information for all Georgians regardless of geographic location or special needs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,400,961 | $39,960,718 | $39,648,480 | $39,648,480 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,400,961 | $39,960,718 | $39,648,480 | $39,648,480 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 | $5,411,304 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $44,812,265 | $45,372,022 | $45,059,784 | $45,059,784 |

**Public Service / Special Funding Initiatives** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided by formula.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |
| State General Funds | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 | $21,751,143 |

**280.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $37,766 | $37,766 | $37,766 | $37,766 |

**280.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($11,431) | ($11,431) | ($11,431) | ($11,431) |

**280.3** *Increase funds for operations for the Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $53,733 | $53,733 | $53,733 |

**280.4** *Increase funds for Middle Georgia State University aviation career path program. (CC:Increase funds to finalize multi-year implementation plan to establish Middle Georgia State University as the state's flagship aviation career path program)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $2,500,000 | $250,000 |

**280.100 Public Service / Special Funding Initiatives** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund leadership, service, and education initiatives that require funding beyond what is provided by formula.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,777,478 | $21,831,211 | $24,331,211 | $22,081,211 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,777,478 | $21,831,211 | $24,331,211 | $22,081,211 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,777,478 | $21,831,211 | $24,331,211 | $22,081,211 |

**Regents Central Office** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| State General Funds | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 | $10,821,119 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Sales and Services | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 | $11,171,119 |

**281.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,590 | $11,590 | $11,590 | $11,590 |

**281.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,965) | ($1,965) | ($1,965) | ($1,965) |

**281.100 Regents Central Office** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to institutions of the University System of Georgia and to fund membership in the Southern Regional Education Board.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 | $10,830,744 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 | $350,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,180,744 | $11,180,744 | $11,180,744 | $11,180,744 |

**Skidaway Institute of Oceanography** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic*

*environments.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| State General Funds | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 | $2,953,952 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| Sales and Services | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 | $7,050,059 |

**282.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,963 | $3,963 | $3,963 | $3,963 |

**282.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($870) | ($870) | ($870) | ($870) |

**282.100 Skidaway Institute of Oceanography** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund research and educational programs regarding marine and ocean science and aquatic environments.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 | $2,957,045 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 | $4,096,107 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 | $2,750,620 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 | $545,487 |
| **Sales and Services** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 | $800,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,053,152 | $7,053,152 | $7,053,152 | $7,053,152 |

**Teaching** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 |
| State General Funds | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 | $2,054,132,976 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 |
| University System of Georgia Research Funds | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| Sales and Services | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 | $7,197,318,209 |

**283.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,454,929 | $6,454,929 | $6,454,929 | $6,454,929 |

**283.2** *Increase funds for formula earnings for the 2021-2022 school year to reflect a 0.8% increase in credit hour enrollment ($57,030,983) and a 0.6% increase in square footage ($1,875,267).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $58,906,250 | $58,906,250 | $58,906,250 | $58,906,250 |

**283.3** *Increase funds for prior-year formula earnings for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect a 1.18% increase in credit hour enrollment ($68,387,021) and a 0.5% increase in square footage ($1,746,489) not funded in the FY2021 budget.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 | $70,133,510 |

**283.4** *Increase funds to adjust the debt service payback amount for a general obligation debt-funded project at Savannah State University.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $617,328 | $617,328 | $617,328 | $617,328 |

**283.5** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance (($2,174,668)) and increase funds for retiree health benefits ($1,254,517).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($920,151) | ($920,151) | ($920,151) | ($920,151) |

**283.6** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) | ($4,508,095) |

**283.7** *Increase funds for year two of a three-year phase-in for increased medical education funding.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $7,776,655 | $7,776,655 | $7,776,655 |

**283.8** *Recognize $1,209,358,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425F in both the University System and the Technical College System. (S:YES)(CC:YES; Recognize $949,097,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425F for the University System)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**283.100 Teaching** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funds to the Board of Regents for annual allocations to University System of Georgia institutions for student instruction and to establish and operate other initiatives that promote, support, or extend student learning.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,184,816,747 | $2,192,593,402 | $2,192,593,402 | $2,192,593,402 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,184,816,747 | $2,192,593,402 | $2,192,593,402 | $2,192,593,402 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 | $5,143,185,233 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 | $2,223,886,981 |
| **University System of Georgia Research Funds** | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 | $2,113,892,772 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 | $109,994,209 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements** | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| **Rebates, Refunds, and Reimbursements Not Itemized** | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 | $155,815,168 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 | $2,763,483,084 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 | $462,387,040 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 | $2,301,096,044 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,328,001,980 | $7,335,778,635 | $7,335,778,635 | $7,335,778,635 |

**Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |
| State General Funds | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 | $4,065,841 |

**284.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $13,958 | $13,958 | $13,958 | $13,958 |

**284.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($3,131) | ($3,131) | ($3,131) | ($3,131) |

**284.3** *Eliminate funds for the accrued liability payment to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) for Optional Retirement Plan members who are former TRS members per HB292 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,417) | ($1,417) | ($1,417) | ($1,417) |

**284.4** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $162,000 | $162,000 | $162,000 |

**284.100 Veterinary Medicine Experiment Station** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate and conduct research at the University of Georgia on animal disease problems of present and potential concern to Georgia's livestock and poultry industries and to provide training and education in disease research, surveillance, and intervention.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,075,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,075,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,075,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 | $4,237,251 |

**Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| State General Funds | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 | $481,991 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 | $22,481,991 |

**285.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,240 | $2,240 | $2,240 | $2,240 |

**285.2** *Reduce funds for the employer share of health insurance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($426) | ($426) | ($426) | ($426) |

**285.100 Veterinary Medicine Teaching Hospital** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide clinical instruction for veterinary medicine students, support research that enhances the health and welfare of production and companion animals in Georgia, and address the shortage of veterinarians in Georgia and the nation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $483,805 | $483,805 | $483,805 | $483,805 |
| **State General Funds** | $483,805 | $483,805 | $483,805 | $483,805 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 | $22,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $22,483,805 | $22,483,805 | $22,483,805 | $22,483,805 |

**Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| State General Funds | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 |

**286.98** *Change the name of the Georgia Commission on the Holocaust program to the Payments to Georgia Commission on the*

*Holocaust program. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**286.100 Payments to Georgia Commission on the Holocaust** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to teach the lessons of the Holocaust to present and future generations of Georgians in order to create an awareness of the enormity of the crimes of prejudice and inhumanity.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| **State General Funds** | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 | $304,560 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 | $40,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 | $344,560 |

**Payments to Georgia Military College Junior Military College** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and pooled expenses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| State General Funds | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 | $3,487,865 |

**287.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $26,159 | $26,159 | $26,159 | $26,159 |

**287.100 Payments to Georgia Military College Junior Military College** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for Georgia Military College's Junior Military College and pooled expenses.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 | $3,514,024 |

**Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades three through twelve at Georgia Military College's Preparatory School.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |
| State General Funds | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 | $3,507,888 |

**288.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $8,968 | $18,796 | $18,796 | $18,796 |

**288.2** *Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($165,667)) and increase funds for training and experience ($128,355). (H:Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($161,953)) and increase funds for training and experience ($75,604))(S:Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($161,953)) and increase funds for training and experience ($75,604) and address any changes to enrollment in the Amended FY2022 budget)(CC:Reduce funds for formula funds based on enrollment decline (($161,953)) and increase funds for training and experience ($75,604))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($37,312) | ($86,349) | ($86,349) | ($86,349) |

**288.3** *Increase funds to offset the austerity reduction for K-12 Education.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $217,244 | $217,244 | $217,244 | $217,244 |

**288.100 Payments to Georgia Military College Preparatory School** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide quality basic education funding for grades three through twelve at Georgia Military College's Preparatory School.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,696,788 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,696,788 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,696,788 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 | $3,657,579 |

**Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| State General Funds | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 | $13,755,210 |

**289.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,403 | $1,403 | $1,403 | $1,403 |

**289.2** *Reduce funds to reflect realignment of focus on K-12 educational programming during COVID-19 pandemic. (CC:NO)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | ($477,639) | $0 |

**289.100 Payments to Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to create, produce, and distribute high quality programs and services that educate, inform, and entertain audiences, and enrich the quality of their lives.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,756,613 | $13,756,613 | $13,278,974 | $13,756,613 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,756,613 | $13,756,613 | $13,278,974 | $13,756,613 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,756,613 | $13,756,613 | $13,278,974 | $13,756,613 |

***Section 42: Revenue, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 | $171,355,399 |
| State General Funds | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 | $170,921,616 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| Sales and Services | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 | $174,661,129 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $196,566,834 | $197,481,909 | $197,396,779 | $197,396,779 |
| **State General Funds** | $196,133,051 | $197,048,126 | $196,962,996 | $196,962,996 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 | $1,058,059 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 | $687,912 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 | $2,247,671 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $199,872,564 | $200,787,639 | $200,702,509 | $200,702,509 |

**Departmental Administration (DOR)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| State General Funds | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |

**290.100 Departmental Administration (DOR)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer and enforce the tax laws of the State of Georgia and provide general support services to the operating programs of the Department of Revenue.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 | $12,600,723 |

**Forestland Protection Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for forestland conservation use property and qualified timberland property to counties, municipalities, and school districts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |
| State General Funds | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 | $14,072,351 |

**291.1** *Increase funds for Forestland Protection Act grant reimbursements to meet projected needs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 | $25,000,000 |

**291.100 Forestland Protection Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide reimbursement for forestland conservation use property and qualified timberland property to counties, municipalities, and school districts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |
| **State General Funds** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 | $39,072,351 |

**Industry Regulation** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 | $7,359,676 |
| State General Funds | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 | $6,925,893 |
| Tobacco Settlement Funds | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| Sales and Services | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 | $8,215,710 |

**292.1** *Increase funds for one advanced auditor and associated expenses, and three contractors to provide regulation of the distribution and sale of vaping products pursuant to SB375 (2020 Session). (H:Increase funds for six tax examiners, three auditors, four criminal investigators, and three call center contractors to regulate the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB375, 2020 Session))(S and CC:Increase funds for six tax examiners, three auditors, three criminal investigators, and three call center contractors to regulate the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB375, 2020 Session))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $210,775 | $963,938 | $878,808 | $878,808 |

**292.100 Industry Regulation** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide regulation of the distribution, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages and tobacco products.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,570,451 | $8,323,614 | $8,238,484 | $8,238,484 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,136,668 | $7,889,831 | $7,804,701 | $7,804,701 |
| **Tobacco Settlement Funds** | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 | $433,783 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **Prevention & Treatment of Substance Abuse Grant CFDA93.959** | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 | $370,147 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **Sales and Services** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 | $485,887 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,426,485 | $9,179,648 | $9,094,518 | $9,094,518 |

**Local Government Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| State General Funds | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| Sales and Services | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 |

**293.100 Local Government Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to assist local tax officials with the administration of state tax laws and administer the unclaimed property unit.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 | $3,758,131 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 | $420,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 | $4,178,131 |

**Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| State General Funds | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

**294.100 Local Tax Officials Retirement and FICA** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide state retirement benefits and employer share of FICA to local tax officials.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| **State General Funds** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 | $9,033,157 |

**Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| State General Funds | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

**295.100 Motor Vehicle Registration and Titling** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to establish motor vehicle ownership by maintaining title and registration records and validate rebuilt vehicles for road-worthiness for new title issuance.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| **State General Funds** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 | $36,963,547 |

**Office of Special Investigations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving department efforts; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| State General Funds | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 |

| **296.100 Office of Special Investigations** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to investigate fraudulent taxpayer and criminal activities involving department efforts; and conduct checkpoints in areas where reports indicate the use of dyed fuels in on-road vehicles.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 | $5,103,033 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 | $416,081 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 | $5,519,114 |

| **Tax Compliance** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| State General Funds | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 | $54,328,736 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| Sales and Services | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 | $55,670,520 |

**297.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $323 | $323 | $323 | $323 |

| **297.100 Tax Compliance** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to audit tax accounts, ensure compliance, and collect on delinquent accounts.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 |
| **State General Funds** | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 | $54,329,059 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 | $1,341,784 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $55,670,843 | $55,670,843 | $55,670,843 | $55,670,843 |

| **Tax Policy** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| State General Funds | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 | $4,129,499 |

**298.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $337 | $337 | $337 | $337 |

**298.2** *Increase funds for one attorney and one legal secretary to regulate the distribution and sale of vaping products (SB375, 2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $161,912 | $161,912 | $161,912 |

**298.100 Tax Policy** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to conduct all administrative appeals of tax assessments; draft regulations for taxes collected by the department; support the State Board of Equalization; and draft letter rulings and provide research and analysis related to all tax law and policy inquiries.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,129,836 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 |
| **State General Funds** | $4,129,836 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,129,836 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 | $4,291,748 |

**Taxpayer Services** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are processed in accordance with the law; that all returns are reviewed and taxpayer information is recorded accurately; to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration functions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| State General Funds | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 |

**299.100 Taxpayer Services** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure that all tax payments are processed in accordance with the law; that all returns are reviewed and taxpayer information is recorded accurately; to provide assistance to customer inquiries about the administration of individual income tax, sales and use tax, withholding tax, corporate tax, motor fuel and motor carrier taxes, and all registration functions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| **State General Funds** | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 | $24,006,546 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 | $271,831 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 | $24,278,377 |

***Section 43: Secretary of State***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 |
| State General Funds | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 | $22,740,011 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| Sales and Services | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 | $28,075,363 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $22,740,700 | $23,558,342 | $25,013,027 | $25,013,027 |
| **State General Funds** | $22,740,700 | $23,558,342 | $25,013,027 | $25,013,027 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 | $4,785,352 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $28,076,052 | $28,893,694 | $30,348,379 | $30,348,379 |

**Corporations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| Sales and Services | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |

**300.100 Corporations** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to accept and review filings made pursuant to statutes; to issue certifications of records on file; and to provide general information to the public on all filed entities.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 | $4,204,852 |

**Elections** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| State General Funds | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 | $5,427,472 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| Sales and Services | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 | $6,027,472 |

**301.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $689 | $689 | $689 | $689 |

**301.2** *Increase funds to implement overt, covert, and forensic ballot security protocols as outlined in SB62 (2021 Session). (CC:Increase funds to implement overt, covert, and forensic ballot security protocols)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,500,000 | $1,500,000 |

**301.100 Elections** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer all duties imposed upon the Secretary of State by providing all required filing and public information services, performing all certification and commissioning duties required by law, and assisting candidates, local governments, and citizens in interpreting and complying with all election, voter registration, and financial disclosure laws.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $5,428,161 | $5,428,161 | $6,928,161 | $6,928,161 |
| **State General Funds** | $5,428,161 | $5,428,161 | $6,928,161 | $6,928,161 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 | $550,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,028,161 | $6,028,161 | $7,528,161 | $7,528,161 |

**Investigations** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the laws and regulations related to professional licenses, elections, and securities; to investigate complaints; and to conduct inspections of applicants and existing license holders.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| State General Funds | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |

**302.100 Investigations** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to enforce the laws and regulations related to professional licenses, elections, and securities; to*

*investigate complaints; and to conduct inspections of applicants and existing license holders.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 | $3,115,242 |

**Office Administration (SOS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| State General Funds | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| Sales and Services | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 |

**303.100 Office Administration (SOS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative support to the Office of Secretary of State and its attached agencies.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 | $3,006,664 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **Sales and Services** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 | $5,500 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 | $3,012,164 |

**Professional Licensing Boards** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 |
| State General Funds | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 | $7,561,551 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| Sales and Services | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 | $7,961,551 |

**304.1** *Increase funds for two analysts and temporary workers to issue temporary permits to practice nursing for the sole purpose of administering the COVID-19 vaccine pursuant to Executive Order 01.22.21.07.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |

**304.100 Professional Licensing Boards** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to protect the public health and welfare by supporting all operations of Boards which license professions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,561,551 | $7,711,551 | $7,711,551 | $7,711,551 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,561,551 | $7,711,551 | $7,711,551 | $7,711,551 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 | $400,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,961,551 | $8,111,551 | $8,111,551 | $8,111,551 |

**Securities** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| State General Funds | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 |

**305.100 Securities** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Georgia Securities Act, the Georgia Charitable Solicitations Act, and the Georgia Cemetery Act. Functions under each act include registration, examinations, investigation, and administrative enforcement actions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| **State General Funds** | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 | $706,711 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 | $25,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 | $731,711 |

**Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide access to low THC oil for registered Georgia patients by regulating the production, transport, and sale of low THC oil; to develop a network of low THC oil; and to study the use, efficacy, and best practices of low THC oil use in Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| State General Funds | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 | $225,000 |

**306.1** *Increase funds for one attorney, one POST-certified investigator, three licensing technicians, IT contracts, and other expenses. (S and CC:Increase funds for one attorney, one POST-certified investigator, two licensing technicians, IT contracts, and other expenses)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | $667,642 | $622,327 | $622,327 |

**306.100 Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide access to low THC oil for registered Georgia patients by regulating the production, transport, and sale of low THC oil; to develop a network of low THC oil; and to study the use, efficacy, and best practices of low THC oil use in Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $225,000 | $892,642 | $847,327 | $847,327 |
| **State General Funds** | $225,000 | $892,642 | $847,327 | $847,327 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $225,000 | $892,642 | $847,327 | $847,327 |

**Real Estate Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal Act.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 |

**307.100 Real Estate Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the license law for real estate brokers and salespersons, and provide administrative support to the Georgia Real Estate Appraisers Board in their administration of the Real Estate Appraisal Act.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| **State General Funds** | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 | $2,697,371 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 | $100,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 | $2,797,371 |

***Section 44: Student Finance Commission and Authority, Georgia***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 | $1,048,640,964 |
| State General Funds | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 | $125,973,664 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 | $922,667,300 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Sales and Services | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 | $1,058,669,127 |

| | Section Total - Final | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,064,389,717 | $1,055,716,949 | $1,054,984,449 | $1,055,716,949 |
| **State General Funds** | $125,958,454 | $119,115,684 | $118,383,184 | $119,115,684 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $938,431,263 | $936,601,265 | $936,601,265 | $936,601,265 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $9,282,854 | $9,282,854 | $9,831,383 | $9,282,854 |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | | | $548,529 | |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | | | $548,529 | |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 | $8,004,593 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,074,417,880 | $1,065,745,112 | $1,065,561,141 | $1,065,745,112 |

**Commission Administration (GSFC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 | $9,118,054 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| Sales and Services | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 | $9,867,956 |

**308.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $3,579 | $3,579 | $3,579 | $3,579 |

**308.100 Commission Administration (GSFC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide scholarships that reward students with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at eligible Georgia public and private colleges and universities, and public technical colleges.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 | $9,121,633 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 | $145,309 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 | $4,593 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 | $600,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $9,871,535 | $9,871,535 | $9,871,535 | $9,871,535 |

**Dual Enrollment** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |
| State General Funds | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 | $89,836,976 |

**309.1** *Reduce funds for updated projections.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($7,035,270) | ($7,035,270) | ($7,035,270) |

**309.100 Dual Enrollment** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to allow students to pursue postsecondary study at approved public and private postsecondary institutions, while receiving dual high school and college credit for courses successfully completed.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $89,836,976 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 |
| **State General Funds** | $89,836,976 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $89,836,976 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 | $82,801,706 |

**Engineer Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus) and retain those students as engineers in the State.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |
| State General Funds | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 | $954,450 |

**310.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need. (S:YES; Utilize existing funds to meet the projected need)(CC:Increase funds to meet the projected need)*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $192,500 | $0 | $192,500 |

**310.100 Engineer Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide forgivable loans to Georgia residents who are engineering students at Mercer University (Macon campus) and retain those students as engineers in the State.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 | $1,146,950 |
| **State General Funds** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 | $1,146,950 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $954,450 | $1,146,950 | $954,450 | $1,146,950 |

**Georgia Military College Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| State General Funds | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |

**311.100 Georgia Military College Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend Georgia Military College, thereby strengthening Georgia's National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 | $1,082,916 |

**HERO Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| State General Funds | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

**312.100 HERO Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to members of the Georgia National Guard and U.S. Military Reservists who served in combat zones and the spouses and children of such members.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 | $630,000 |

**HOPE GED** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this program is to encourage Georgia's General Educational Development (GED) recipients to pursue education beyond the high school level at an eligible postsecondary institution located in Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |

**313.100 HOPE GED** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this program is to encourage Georgia's General Educational Development (GED) recipients to pursue education beyond the high school level at an eligible postsecondary institution located in Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 | $421,667 |

**HOPE Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 | $66,441,720 |

**314.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for HOPE Grants. (S and CC:Increase funds to meet the projected need and address any additional needs in the Amended FY2022 budget)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $7,259,713 | $5,429,715 | $5,429,715 | $5,429,715 |

**314.100 HOPE Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide grants to students seeking a diploma or certificate at a public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $73,701,433 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $73,701,433 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $73,701,433 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 | $71,871,435 |

**HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 | $68,258,147 |

**315.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for the HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $444,864 | $444,864 | $444,864 | $444,864 |

**315.2** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for Zell Miller Scholarship students attending private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $166,809 | $166,809 | $166,809 | $166,809 |

**315.100 HOPE Scholarships - Private Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible private postsecondary institution.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 | $68,869,820 |

**HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 | $752,427,712 |

**316.1** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for the HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $2,333,025 | $2,333,025 | $2,333,025 | $2,333,025 |

**316.2** *Increase funds to meet the projected need for Zell Miller Scholarship students attending public postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lottery Proceeds | $5,555,973 | $5,555,973 | $5,555,973 | $5,555,973 |

**316.100 HOPE Scholarships - Public Schools** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide merit scholarships to students seeking an associate or baccalaureate degree at an eligible public postsecondary institution.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 | $760,316,710 |

**Low Interest Loans** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college or technical college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| Lottery Proceeds | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 |

**317.100 Low Interest Loans** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to implement a low-interest loan program to assist with the affordability of a college or technical college education, encourage timely persistence to the achievement of postsecondary credentials, and to incentivize loan recipients to work in public service. The loans are forgivable for recipients who work in certain critical need occupations. The purpose of this appropriation is also to provide loans for students eligible under O.C.G.A. 20-3-400.2(e.1).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| **Lottery Proceeds** | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 | $26,000,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 | $8,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 | $34,000,000 |

**North Georgia Military Scholarship Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend the University of North Georgia, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| State General Funds | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

**318.100 North Georgia Military Scholarship Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide outstanding students with a full scholarship to attend the University of North Georgia, thereby strengthening Georgia's Army National Guard with their membership.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 | $3,037,740 |

**North Georgia ROTC Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend the University of North Georgia and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| State General Funds | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |

**319.100 North Georgia ROTC Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide Georgia residents with non-repayable financial assistance to attend the University of North Georgia and to participate in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 | $1,113,750 |

**Public Safety Memorial Grant** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public or private postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| State General Funds | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 | $540,000 |

**320.1** *Utilize existing donation funds for program expenditures. (CC:NO)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($540,000) | $0 |
| Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized | $548,529 | $0 |
| Total Public Funds: | $8,529 | $0 |

**320.100 Public Safety Memorial Grant** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide educational grant assistance to the children of Georgia law enforcement officers, fire fighters, EMTs, correctional officers, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty, to attend a public or private postsecondary institution in the State of Georgia.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $0 | $540,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $0 | $540,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | | | $548,529 | |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures** | | | $548,529 | |
| **Contributions, Donations, and Forfeitures Not Itemized** | | | $548,529 | |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $540,000 | $540,000 | $548,529 | $540,000 |

**REACH Georgia Scholarship** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| State General Funds | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**321.100 REACH Georgia Scholarship** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide needs-based scholarships to selected students participating in the REACH Georgia mentorship and scholarship program, which encourages and supports academically promising middle and high school students in their educational pursuits.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 | $6,370,000 |

**Service Cancelable Loans** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide service cancelable loans as authorized in statute including programs for large animal veterinarians and Georgia National Guard members.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| State General Funds | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |

**322.100 Service Cancelable Loans** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide service cancelable loans as authorized in statute including programs for large animal veterinarians and Georgia National Guard members.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 | $945,000 |

**Tuition Equalization Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| State General Funds | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 |

**323.100 Tuition Equalization Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote the private segment of higher education in Georgia by providing non-repayable grant aid to Georgia residents who attend eligible private postsecondary institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| **State General Funds** | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 | $20,557,067 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **Reserved Fund Balances** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Reserved Fund Balances Not Itemized** | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 | $1,278,261 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 | $21,835,328 |

**Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| State General Funds | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 | $905,765 |

**324.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $689 | $689 | $689 | $689 |

**324.2** *Reduce funds for rent to reflect transition to a telework model.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($15,899) | ($15,899) | ($15,899) | ($15,899) |

**324.3** *Reflect $115,000 in other funds for operations for the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) Coordinator position. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**324.100 Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize private postsecondary schools in Georgia; provide transcripts for students who attended schools that closed; and resolve complaints.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 |
| **State General Funds** | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 | $890,555 |

***Section 45: Teachers Retirement System***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| State General Funds | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Funds Transfers | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| Retirement Payments | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 | $43,747,901 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,712,180 | $43,712,180 | $43,712,180 | $43,712,180 |

**Local/Floor COLA** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| State General Funds | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 | $190,721 |

**325.1** *Reduce funds to reflect the declining population of teachers who qualify for benefits.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($35,721) | ($35,721) | ($35,721) | ($35,721) |

**325.100 Local/Floor COLA** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide retirees from local retirement systems a minimum allowance upon retirement (Floor) and a post-retirement benefit adjustment (COLA) whenever such adjustment is granted to teachers who retired under TRS.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **State General Funds** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 | $155,000 |

**System Administration (TRS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| State Funds Transfers | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| Retirement Payments | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

**326.100 System Administration (TRS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to administer the Teachers Retirement System of Georgia, including paying retiree benefits, investing retirement funds, accounting for the status and contributions of active and inactive members, counseling members, and processing refunds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **Retirement Payments** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 | $43,557,180 |

**It is the intent of the General Assembly that the employer contribution rate for the Teachers Retirement System shall not exceed 19.81% for State Fiscal Year 2022.**

***Section 46: Technical College System of Georgia***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 |
| State General Funds | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 | $333,724,550 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| Sales and Services | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| State Funds Transfers | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 | $940,929,658 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $344,086,940 | $343,936,940 | $345,436,940 | $343,936,940 |
| **State General Funds** | $344,086,940 | $343,936,940 | $345,436,940 | $343,936,940 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 | $199,314,039 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 | $403,921,447 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 | $48,941,776 |
| **Sales and Services** | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 | $354,979,671 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 | $75,621,052 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 | $3,969,622 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $951,292,048 | $951,142,048 | $952,642,048 | $951,142,048 |

**Adult Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of GED preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| State General Funds | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 | $15,156,173 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| State Funds Transfers | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 | $43,349,573 |

**327.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $31,712 | $31,712 | $31,712 | $31,712 |

**327.99** ***CC****: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

***Senate****: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

***House****: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

***Governor****: The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**327.100 Adult Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop Georgia's workforce by providing adult learners in Georgia with basic reading, writing, computation, speaking, listening, and technology skills; to provide secondary instruction to adults without a high school diploma; and to provide oversight of high school equivalency preparation, testing, and the processing of diplomas and transcripts.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 |
| **State General Funds** | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 | $15,187,885 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 | $24,440,037 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 | $3,745,342 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 | $1,434,222 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 | $2,311,120 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 | $8,021 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $43,381,285 | $43,381,285 | $43,381,285 | $43,381,285 |

**Departmental Administration (TCSG)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| State General Funds | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 | $7,425,738 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| Sales and Services | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 | $7,430,265 |

**328.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,411 | $6,411 | $6,411 | $6,411 |

**328.100 Departmental Administration (TCSG)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide statewide administrative services to support the state workforce development efforts undertaken by the department through its associated programs and institutions.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 | $7,432,149 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 | $4,527 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $7,436,676 | $7,436,676 | $7,436,676 | $7,436,676 |

| **Economic Development and Customized Services** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide customized services for existing businesses in the state.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| State General Funds | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 | $3,045,056 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| Sales and Services | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 | $30,614,796 |

**329.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,141 | $3,141 | $3,141 | $3,141 |

| **329.100 Economic Development and Customized Services** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide customized services for existing businesses in the state.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 |
| **State General Funds** | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 | $3,048,197 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 | $4,050,287 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **Sales and Services** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 | $21,939,631 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 | $1,579,822 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $30,617,937 | $30,617,937 | $30,617,937 | $30,617,937 |

**Governor's Office of Workforce Development** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| Sales and Services | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| State Funds Transfers | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 |

**330.100 Governor's Office of Workforce Development** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve the job training and marketability of Georgia's workforce.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 | $122,680,500 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **Sales and Services** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 | $22,832 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 | $450,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 | $123,153,332 |

**Quick Start** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 | $10,261,510 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| Sales and Services | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 | $10,265,757 |

**331.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $18,607 | $18,607 | $18,607 | $18,607 |

**331.100 Quick Start** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to promote job creation and retention by developing and delivering customized workforce training for Georgia businesses during start-up, expansion, or when they make capital investments in new technology, processes, or product lines in order to remain competitive in the global marketplace.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 |
| **State General Funds** | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 | $10,280,117 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **Sales and Services** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 | $4,247 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $10,284,364 | $10,284,364 | $10,284,364 | $10,284,364 |

**Technical Education** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 |
| State General Funds | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 | $297,836,073 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| Sales and Services | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 |
| Tuition and Fees for Higher Education | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| State Funds Transfers | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| Agency to Agency Contracts | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 | $726,115,935 |

**332.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $704,156 | $704,156 | $704,156 | $704,156 |

**332.2** *Increase funds for formula earnings for the 2021-2022 school year to reflect a 1.6% increase in credit hour enrollment ($4,286,542) and a 3.5% increase in square footage ($1,798,130).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,084,672 | $6,084,672 | $6,084,672 | $6,084,672 |

**332.3** *Increase funds for prior-year formula earnings for the 2020-2021 school year to reflect a 1.5% increase in credit hour enrollment ($3,706,709) and a 0.3% decrease in square footage (($193,018)) not funded in the original FY2021 budget.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 | $3,513,691 |

**332.4** *Eliminate funds for the Rural Technical Worker Pilot Program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | ($150,000) | ($150,000) | ($150,000) |

**332.5** *Increase funds for the Technical College System of Georgia High School Diploma program pursuant to SB204 (2021 Session). (CC:Provide funds for the Technical College System of Georgia High School Diploma program in Amended FY2022 budget pursuant to final passage of SB204 (2021 Session))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $1,500,000 | $0 |

**332.6** *Recognize $1,209,358,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425F in both the University System and the Technical College System. (S:YES)(CC:YES: Recognize $260,261,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund CFDA 84.425F in the Technical College System)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $0 | $0 |

**332.100 Technical Education** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for workforce development through certificate, diploma, and degree programs in technical education and continuing education programs for adult learners, and to encourage both youth and adult learners to acquire*

*postsecondary education or training to increase their competitiveness in the workplace.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $308,138,592 | $307,988,592 | $309,488,592 | $307,988,592 |
| **State General Funds** | $308,138,592 | $307,988,592 | $309,488,592 | $307,988,592 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 | $48,143,215 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 | $378,204,868 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 | $47,507,554 |
| **Sales and Services** | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 | $330,697,314 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 | $51,338,695 |
| **Tuition and Fees for Higher Education** | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 | $279,358,619 |
| **TOTAL INTRA-STATE GOVERNMENT TRANSFERS** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **State Funds Transfers** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **Agency to Agency Contracts** | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 | $1,931,779 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $736,418,454 | $736,268,454 | $737,768,454 | $736,268,454 |

***Section 47: Transportation, Department of***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 | $1,730,676,529 |
| State General Funds | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 | $97,355,584 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 | $1,633,320,945 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| Sales and Services | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 | $3,436,428,140 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,944,402,069 | $1,952,090,517 | $1,952,165,517 | $1,954,165,517 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **State General Funds** | $110,180,029 | $117,868,477 | $112,943,477 | $119,943,477 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $1,834,222,040 | $1,834,222,040 | $1,839,222,040 | $1,834,222,040 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 | $1,607,707,398 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 | $93,011,369 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 | $1,514,696,029 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 | $98,044,213 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 | $39,513,111 |
| **Sales and Services** | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 | $58,531,102 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $3,650,153,680 | $3,657,842,128 | $3,657,917,128 | $3,659,917,128 |

**Capital Construction Projects** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 | $739,944,680 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| Sales and Services | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 | $1,657,697,809 |

**333.1** *Increase funds for construction projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $99,434,198 | $157,634,733 | $162,134,733 | $157,134,733 |

**333.2** *Utilize existing funds ($10,000,000) to improve freight efficiency and track safety by addressing various infrastructure issues. (G:YES)(H and S:YES; Utilize existing state funds ($6,000,000) and federal funds ($4,000,000) to improve freight efficiency and truck*

*safety by addressing various infrastructure issues)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**333.3** *Utilize existing funds ($10,000,000) for broadband and rural development initiatives to enhance broadband access in underserved areas and promote safety and innovation on rural roadways. (G:YES)(H and S:YES; Utilize existing state funds ($6,000,000) and federal funds ($4,000,000) for broadband and rural development initiatives to enhance broadband access in underserved areas and promote safety and innovation on rural roadways)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**333.4** *Utilize existing funds ($500,000) for road safety improvements. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**333.100 Capital Construction Projects** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay road construction and enhancement projects on local and state road systems.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $839,378,878 | $897,579,413 | $902,079,413 | $897,079,413 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $839,378,878 | $897,579,413 | $902,079,413 | $897,079,413 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 | $862,452,699 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 | $55,300,430 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 | $38,737,112 |
| **Sales and Services** | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 | $16,563,318 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,757,132,007 | $1,815,332,542 | $1,819,832,542 | $1,814,832,542 |

**Capital Maintenance Projects** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 | $81,947,536 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| Sales and Services | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 | $363,898,110 |

**334.1** *Increase funds for additional resurfacing. (H and S:Reduce funds and recognize $67,129,790 of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $45,382,254 | ($21,747,536) | ($21,747,536) | ($21,747,536) |

**334.100 Capital Maintenance Projects** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay for maintenance projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $127,329,790 | $60,200,000 | $60,200,000 | $60,200,000 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $127,329,790 | $60,200,000 | $60,200,000 | $60,200,000 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 | $281,600,000 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **Sales and Services** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 | $350,574 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $409,280,364 | $342,150,574 | $342,150,574 | $342,150,574 |

**Program Delivery Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 | $99,502,720 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| Sales and Services | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 | $154,244,329 |

**335.1** *Increase funds for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $5,500,000 | $5,500,000 | $5,500,000 | $5,500,000 |

**335.98** *Change the name of the Construction Administration program to the Program Delivery Administration program to more accurately align with program purpose. (H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**335.100 Program Delivery Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to improve and expand the state's transportation infrastructure by planning for and selecting road and bridge projects, acquiring rights-of-way, completing engineering and project impact analyses, procuring and monitoring construction contracts, and certifying completed projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 | $105,002,720 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 | $53,642,990 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **Sales and Services** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 | $1,098,619 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $159,744,329 | $159,744,329 | $159,744,329 | $159,744,329 |

**Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 |

| **336.100 Data Collection, Compliance and Reporting** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to collect and disseminate crash, accident, road, and traffic data in accordance with state and federal law in order to provide current and accurate information for planning and public awareness needs.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 | $2,831,687 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 | $9,043,897 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 | $11,875,584 |

| **Departmental Administration (DOT)** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 | $68,793,125 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| Sales and Services | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 | $80,031,918 |

| **337.1** *Increase funds for operations.* | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 | $3,500,000 |

| **337.100 Departmental Administration (DOT)** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to plan, construct, maintain, and improve the state's roads and bridges; provide planning and financial support for other modes of transportation such as mass transit, airports, railroads and waterways.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 | $72,293,125 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 | $10,839,823 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **Sales and Services** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 | $398,970 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $83,531,918 | $83,531,918 | $83,531,918 | $83,531,918 |

**Intermodal** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 |
| State General Funds | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 | $21,981,122 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| Sales and Services | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 | $115,624,723 |

**338.1** *Increase funds to recognize additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) for Athens-Clarke County Transit ($1,000,000) and other transit projects ($638,448). (S:Increase funds to recognize additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) for transit projects)(CC:Increase funds to recognize additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) for Athens-Clarke County Transit ($1,000,000) and other transit projects ($638,448))*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,638,448 | $638,448 | $1,638,448 |

**338.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding from additional revenue from HB105 (2020 Session) to Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority for the rehabilitation of the Bankhead Station to support a regional economic project.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $6,000,000 | $0 | $6,000,000 |

**338.3** *Increase funds for security improvements for state-owned rail line facilities.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $50,000 | $50,000 | $50,000 |

**338.4** *Increase funds for one-time funding for contract with consultant to assist in development of freight and logistics plan in conjunction with the Georgia Commission on Freight and Logistics.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |

**338.5** *Increase funds for Airport Aid.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $1,000,000 | $1,000,000 |

**338.6** *Increase funds for state railroad clearing.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $75,000 | $75,000 |

**338.7** *Recognize Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA) funds available for Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority ($33,524,951) and Athens-Clarke County ($366,722). (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**338.8** *Recognize $1,558,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Federal Transit Grants for Rural Areas CFDA 20.509. (S:YES)(CC:YES)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**338.100 Intermodal** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to support the planning, development and maintenance of Georgia's Airports, Rail, Transit and Ports and Waterways to facilitate a complete and seamless statewide transportation system.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,981,122 | $29,669,570 | $24,744,570 | $31,744,570 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,981,122 | $29,669,570 | $24,744,570 | $31,744,570 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 | $92,861,369 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 | $782,232 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 | $775,999 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 | $6,233 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $115,624,723 | $123,313,171 | $118,388,171 | $125,388,171 |

**Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing*

*projects through the state-funded Construction-Local Road Assistance program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 | $174,383,936 |

**339.1** *Increase funds for local maintenance and improvement grants to reflect 10% of projected motor fuel revenues.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $21,619,760 | $21,619,760 | $21,619,760 | $21,619,760 |

**339.100 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grants** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide funding for capital outlay grants to local governments for road and bridge resurfacing projects through the state-funded Construction-Local Road Assistance program.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 | $196,003,696 |

**Local Road Assistance Administration** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| Sales and Services | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 |

**340.100 Local Road Assistance Administration** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide technical and financial assistance to local governments for construction, maintenance, and resurfacing of local roads and bridges.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 | $4,346,461 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 | $51,655,917 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 | $6,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 | $62,002,378 |

**Planning** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and financing of transportation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 |

**341.1** *Increase funds for one-time funding for a strategy development initiative for regional transportation planning.*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $500,000 | $500,000 |

**341.100 Planning** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to develop the state transportation improvement program and the statewide strategic transportation plan, and coordinate transportation policies, planning, and programs related to design, construction, maintenance, operations, and financing of transportation.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,857,098 | $2,857,098 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $2,357,098 | $2,357,098 | $2,857,098 | $2,857,098 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 | $22,772,795 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $25,129,893 | $25,129,893 | $25,629,893 | $25,629,893 |

**Routine Maintenance** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 | $395,742,701 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| Sales and Services | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 | $415,898,971 |

**342.1** *Increase funds for maintenance service agreements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 | $35,150,000 |

**342.100 Routine Maintenance** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and adequately maintained state transportation system by inspecting roads and bridges, cataloguing road and bridge conditions and maintenance needs, and providing routine maintenance for state road and bridges. The purpose of this appropriation is also to maintain landscaping on road easements and rights-of-way through planting, litter control, vegetation removal, and grants to local governments, to provide for emergency operations on state routes, and to maintain state rest areas and welcome centers.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 | $430,892,701 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 | $11,577,366 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 | $8,578,904 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 | $451,048,971 |

**Traffic Management and Control** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| Sales and Services | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 |

**343.100 Traffic Management and Control** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to ensure a safe and efficient transportation system statewide by conducting traffic engineering studies for traffic safety planning, permitting for activity on or adjacent to state roads, providing motorist assistance and traffic information through the Highway Emergency Response Operators (HERO) program and Intelligent Transportation System, and conducting inspections, repairs, and installations of traffic signals.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 | $50,022,611 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 | $76,260,542 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 | $150,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 | $76,110,542 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **Sales and Services** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 | $25,534,484 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 | $151,817,637 |

**Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**344.1** *Recognize additional revenue ($7,000,000) from HB105 (2020 Session) for transit purposes to replace HB170 (2015 Session) fee revenues to be allocated for other eligible expenditures in transportation. (S:YES)(CC:NO)*

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 |

**344.2** *Recognize $307,399,260 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) funds for Federal Urbanized Transit Grants for regional priorities CFDA 20.507. (CC:YES)*

| | |
|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 |

**344.98** *Transfer funds and the Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority program from the Department of Community Affairs to the Department of Transportation as an attached agency pursuant to HB511 (2020 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

**344.100 Payments to Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide administrative funds for the Atlanta-region Transit Link (ATL) Authority.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 | $12,824,445 |

**Payments to the State Road and Tollway Authority** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments and other finance instruments and for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 | $88,822,852 |
| State General Funds | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 | $13,448,390 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 | $223,822,852 |

**345.1** *Reduce funds to reflect a reduction in debt service requirements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($38,485,117) | ($38,485,117) | ($38,485,117) | ($38,485,117) |

**345.2** *Increase funds for one-time funding to establish the Financing Strategy for Tolling Resilience (FSTR) Guaranteed Revenue Bond (GRB) Debt Service Reserve Fund to strategically restructure debt obligations to leverage favorable interest rates and provide flexibility for future projects. (S and CC:Increase funds for one-time funding to establish the Financing Strategy for Tolling Resilience (FSTR) Guaranteed Revenue Bond (GRB) Debt Service Reserve Fund to strategically restructure debt obligations to leverage favorable interest rates and provide flexibility for future projects authorized under legal parameters of Section 47 of this Act)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $38,800,000 | $38,800,000 | $38,800,000 | $38,800,000 |

**345.3** *Reduce funds and replace motor fuel funds for operations of the Northwest Corridor and I-75 South new managed lanes and I-85 land extension with guaranteed revenue bond funds leveraged through the FSTR initiative.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) | ($10,000,000) |

**345.4** *Increase funds for the Georgia Transportation Infrastructure Bank (GTIB).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $3,140,322 | $3,140,322 | $3,140,322 |

**345.5** *Increase funds to meet Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) bond debt requirements.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | $5,788,933 | $5,788,933 | $5,788,933 |

**345.100 Payments to the State Road and Tollway Authority** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to fund debt service payments and other finance instruments and for operations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $79,137,735 | $88,066,990 | $88,066,990 | $88,066,990 |
| **State General Funds** | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 | $75,374,462 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $3,763,273 | $12,692,528 | $12,692,528 | $12,692,528 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| **Federal Highway Admin.-Planning & Construction CFDA20.205** | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 | $135,000,000 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $214,137,735 | $223,066,990 | $223,066,990 | $223,066,990 |

**It is the intent of this General Assembly that the following provisions apply:**

**a.) In order to meet the requirements for projects on the Interstate System, the Office of Planning and Budget is hereby authorized and directed to give advanced budgetary authorization for letting and execution of Interstate Highway Contracts not to exceed the amount of Motor Fuel Tax Revenues actually paid into the Office of the State Treasurer, attached agency of the Department of Administrative Services.**
**b.) Programs financed by Motor Fuel Tax Funds may be adjusted for additional appropriation or balances brought forward from previous years with prior approval by the Office of Planning and Budget.**
**c.) The Fiscal Officers of the State are hereby directed as of July 1st of each fiscal year to determine the collection of Motor Fuel Tax in the immediately preceding year less refunds, rebates and collection costs and enter this amount as being the appropriation payable in lieu of the Motor Fuel Tax Funds appropriated in this Bill, in the event such collections, less refunds, rebates and collection costs, exceed such Motor Fuel Tax Appropriation.**
**d.) Functions financed with General Fund appropriations shall be accounted for separately and shall be in addition to appropriations of Motor Fuel Tax revenues required under Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI, Subsection (b) of the State Constitution.**
**e.) Bus rental income may be retained to operate, maintain and upgrade department-owned buses.**
**f.) From State Motor Fuel Funds, $38,800,000 is specifically appropriated for payment into the "State of Georgia Guaranteed Revenue Debt Common Reserve Fund". The purpose of this appropriation is to authorize the guarantee by the State of the issuance of revenue obligations of the State Road and Tollway Authority for the construction and improvements to roads and bridges including related planning, engineering and land acquisition expenses, and for the defeasance of existing outstanding debt of the State Road and Tollway Authority, through the issuance of not more than $567,000,000 in principal amount of Guaranteed Revenue Debt in which the amount of the highest annual debt service shall not exceed the amount of this appropriation. The General Assembly has determined that the obligation will be self-liquidating over the life of the issue.**

***Section 48: Veterans Service, Department of***

| | Section Total - Continuation | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 |
| State General Funds | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 | $23,053,522 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Sales and Services | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 | $50,479,259 |
| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 | $22,953,475 |
| **State General Funds** | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 | $21,953,475 | $22,953,475 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 | $24,210,246 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $49,379,212 | $49,379,212 | $49,379,212 | $50,379,212 |

**Departmental Administration (DVS)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| State General Funds | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |

**346.100 Departmental Administration (DVS)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to coordinate, manage, and supervise all aspects of department operations to include financial, public information, personnel, accounting, purchasing, supply, mail, records management, and information technology.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 | $1,849,338 |

**Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| State General Funds | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 | $709,857 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 | $1,037,753 |

**347.1** *Increase funds for one grounds maintenance technician at the Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Milledgeville.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $42,131 | $42,131 | $42,131 | $42,131 |

**347.2** *Provide funds to create a veterans cemetery in Augusta, Richmond County pursuant to HR77 (2021 Session).*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | | $1,000,000 |

**347.100 Georgia Veterans Memorial Cemetery** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide for the interment of eligible Georgia Veterans who served faithfully and honorably in the military service of our country.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $751,988 | $751,988 | $751,988 | $1,751,988 |
| **State General Funds** | $751,988 | $751,988 | $751,988 | $1,751,988 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 | $327,896 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,079,884 | $1,079,884 | $1,079,884 | $2,079,884 |

**Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 |
| State General Funds | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 | $13,174,578 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| Sales and Services | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 | $39,518,493 |

**348.1** *Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of the Teachers Retirement System from 19.06% to 19.81%.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $39,869 | $39,869 | $39,869 | $39,869 |

**348.2** *Eliminate funds for one-time funding for renovations.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,182,047) | ($1,182,047) | ($1,182,047) | ($1,182,047) |

**348.100 Georgia War Veterans Nursing Homes** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide skilled nursing care to aged and infirmed Georgia war veterans.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 |
| **State General Funds** | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 | $12,032,400 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 | $23,128,424 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 | $3,215,491 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Intergovernmental Transfers Not Itemized** | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 | $574,863 |
| **Sales and Services** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 | $2,640,628 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $38,376,315 | $38,376,315 | $38,376,315 | $38,376,315 |

**Veterans Benefits** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| State General Funds | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 |

| **349.100 Veterans Benefits** | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to serve Georgia's veterans, their dependents, and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans' benefits by informing the veterans and their families about veterans' benefits, and directly assisting and advising them in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.* | | | | |
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| **State General Funds** | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 | $7,319,749 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 | $753,926 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 | $8,073,675 |

***Section 49: Workers' Compensation, State Board of***

| | **Section Total - Continuation** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| State General Funds | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 | $21,018,416 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| Sales and Services | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 | $21,392,248 |

| | **Section Total - Final** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 |
| **State General Funds** | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 | $19,106,231 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **Sales and Services** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 | $373,832 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $19,480,063 | $19,480,063 | $19,480,063 | $19,480,063 |

| **Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| *The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.* | | | | |
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| State General Funds | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sales and Services | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 |

**350.100 Administer the Workers' Compensation Laws** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide exclusive remedy for resolution of disputes in the Georgia Workers' Compensation law.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| **State General Funds** | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 | $13,037,011 |
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **Sales and Services** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 | $308,353 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 | $13,345,364 |

**Board Administration (SBWC)** **Continuation Budget**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| State General Funds | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 | $7,981,405 |
| TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| Sales and Services | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| Sales and Services Not Itemized | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 | $8,046,884 |

**351.1** *Eliminate funds to eliminate the payment to the Office of State Treasurer.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($1,912,185) | ($1,912,185) | ($1,912,185) | ($1,912,185) |

**351.100 Board Administration (SBWC)** **Appropriation (HB 81)**

*The purpose of this appropriation is to provide superior access to the Georgia Workers' Compensation program for injured workers and employers in a manner that is sensitive, responsive, and effective.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 |
| **State General Funds** | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 | $6,069,220 |

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **Sales and Services** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **Sales and Services Not Itemized** | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 | $65,479 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $6,134,699 | $6,134,699 | $6,134,699 | $6,134,699 |

***Section 50: State of Georgia General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund***

**Section Total - Continuation**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 | $1,336,111,366 |
| State General Funds | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 | $1,225,592,953 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 | $1,354,085,925 |

**Section Total - Final**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,208,308,263 | $1,195,735,509 | $1,200,744,253 | $1,193,825,076 |
| **State General Funds** | $1,082,493,346 | $1,069,920,592 | $1,079,929,336 | $1,068,010,159 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $125,814,917 | $125,814,917 | $120,814,917 | $125,814,917 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,226,282,822 | $1,213,710,068 | $1,218,718,812 | $1,211,799,635 |

**General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - Issued** **Continuation Budget**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 | $1,216,034,806 |
| State General Funds | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 | $1,105,516,393 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 | $110,518,413 |
| TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| Federal Funds Not Itemized | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 | $1,234,009,365 |

**352.1** *Transfer funds from GO Bonds New program to GO Bonds Issued program to reflect the issuance of new bonds.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |

**352.2** *Reduce funds for debt service to reflect savings associated with favorable rates received in recent bond sales.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($227,941,449) | ($227,941,449) | ($227,941,449) | ($227,941,449) |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($4,769,747) | ($4,769,747) | ($4,769,747) | ($4,769,747) |
| Total Public Funds: | ($232,711,196) | ($232,711,196) | ($232,711,196) | ($232,711,196) |

**352.3** *Increase funds for debt service. (H and S:Reduce funds for debt service to reflect prepayment in the Amended FY2021 budget (HB80, 2021 Session))*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $11,479,860 | ($6,530,550) | ($5,993,975) | ($12,268,550) |

**352.4** *Replace funds for road and bridge projects.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $19,489,506 | $19,489,506 | $19,489,506 | $19,489,506 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | ($19,489,506) | ($19,489,506) | ($19,489,506) | ($19,489,506) |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.5** *Replace funds for debt service on bridge bonds and transfer savings to the OneGeorgia Authority to establish the Rural Communities Innovation Fund.*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | ($30,995,757) | ($30,995,757) | ($30,995,757) | ($30,995,757) |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $30,995,757 | $30,995,757 | $30,995,757 | $30,995,757 |
| Total Public Funds: | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.6** *Redirect $3,495,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2020 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB31, Bond #355.101) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.7** *Redirect $160,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2020 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth (HB31, Bond #355.103) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.8** *Redirect $775,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2019 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB684, Bond #2) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.9** *Redirect $2,220,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2018 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth (HB44, Bond #348.103) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.10** *Redirect $350,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2018 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB44, Bond #348.102) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.11** *Redirect $560,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2016 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB76, Bond #355.101) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.12** *Redirect $300,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2015 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth (HB744, Bond #3) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.13** *Redirect $255,000 in 20-year unissued bonds from FY2015 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB744, Bond #2) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.14** *Redirect $220,000 in 20-year issued bonds from FY2017 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB751, Bond #1) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.15** *Redirect $12,500 in 20-year issued bonds from FY2017 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance (HB751, Bond #2) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.16** *Redirect $4,217,500 in 20-year issued bonds from FY2015 for the State Board of Education for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school districts through the Capital Outlay Program - Regular (HB744, Bond #1) to be used for the FY2022 Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (G:YES)(H:YES)(S:YES)*

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| State General Funds | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**352.17** *Replace funds. (CC:NO)*

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | | | $5,000,000 | $0 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | | | ($5,000,000) | $0 |
| Total Public Funds: | | | $0 | $0 |

| **352.100 General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - Issued** | | | | **Appropriation (HB 81)** |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $1,114,880,030 | $1,096,869,620 | $1,097,406,195 | $1,091,131,620 |
| **State General Funds** | $997,625,113 | $979,614,703 | $985,151,278 | $973,876,703 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $117,254,917 | $117,254,917 | $112,254,917 | $117,254,917 |
| **TOTAL FEDERAL FUNDS** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **Federal Funds Not Itemized** | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 | $17,974,559 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $1,132,854,589 | $1,114,844,179 | $1,115,380,754 | $1,109,106,179 |

| **General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - New** | | | **Continuation Budget** | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| TOTAL STATE FUNDS | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| State General Funds | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |
| TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 | $120,076,560 |

## Total Debt Service

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *5 year at 5.07%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $25,050,207 | $28,063,035 | $28,036,424 | $26,971,984 |
| *10 year at 5.52%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $2,656,000 | $265,600 | $265,600 | $265,600 |
| *20 year at 5.77%* | | | | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $37,879,284 | $40,792,252 | $41,642,688 | $41,607,164 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $46,439,284 | $49,352,252 | $50,202,688 | $50,167,164 |
| *20 year at 6.5%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $19,282,742 | $21,185,002 | $24,833,346 | $25,288,708 |
| *Total Amount* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $84,868,233 | $90,305,889 | $94,778,058 | $94,133,456 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $93,428,233 | $98,865,889 | $103,338,058 | $102,693,456 |

## Total Principal Amount

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| *5 year at 5.07%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $108,255,000 | $121,275,000 | $121,160,000 | $116,560,000 |
| *10 year at 5.52%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $20,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 | $2,000,000 |
| *20 year at 5.77%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $442,515,000 | $476,545,000 | $486,480,000 | $486,065,000 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $542,515,000 | $576,545,000 | $586,480,000 | $586,065,000 |
| *20 year at 6.5%* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $212,365,000 | $233,315,000 | $273,495,000 | $278,510,000 |
| *Total Amount* | | | | |
| State General Funds | $783,135,000 | $833,135,000 | $883,135,000 | $883,135,000 |
| State Motor Fuel Funds | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 | $100,000,000 |
| Total Public Funds: | $883,135,000 | $933,135,000 | $983,135,000 | $983,135,000 |

**353.1** *Transfer funds from GO Bonds New program to GO Bonds Issued program to reflect the issuance of new bonds.*

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| State General Funds | ($120,076,560) | ($120,076,560) | ($120,076,560) | ($120,076,560) |

| 353.100 General Obligation Debt Sinking Fund - New | | | | Appropriation (HB 81) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **TOTAL STATE FUNDS** | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| **State General Funds** | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| **State Motor Fuel Funds** | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |
| **TOTAL PUBLIC FUNDS** | $0 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.101 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $106,235,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide. (H and S:Provide $106,125,000 in 20-year bonds for the Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide)(CC:Provide $106,235,000 in 20-year bonds for the Capital Outlay Program - Regular for local school construction, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $9,093,716 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $106,235,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $9,123,248 | $9,084,300 | $9,084,300 | $9,093,716 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.102 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $9,270,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program - Regular Advance for local school construction, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $793,512 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $9,270,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $793,512 | $793,512 | $793,512 | $793,512 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.103 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $9,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund the Capital Outlay Program - Low Wealth for local school construction, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $770,400 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $9,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $770,400 | $770,400 | $770,400 | $770,400 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.104 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $0 in principal for 10 years at 5.52%: Purchase school buses, statewide. (H and S:NO; Reflect funding of $40,154,400 to purchase 520 new school buses in Amended FY2021 budget (HB80, 2021 Session))

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $2,656,000 | $0 | $0 | $0 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.105 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $10,165,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase career, technical, and agricultural education equipment, statewide. (H and S:Provide $10,165,000 in 5-year bonds to purchase career and technical education equipment, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $2,352,181 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $10,165,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,840,435 | $2,352,181 | $2,352,181 | $2,352,181 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.106 BOND:** State Schools: $3,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund major repairs and renovations for state schools, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $256,800 | $256,800 | $256,800 | $256,800 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.107 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $2,260,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase agricultural education equipment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $522,964 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,260,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $522,964 | $522,964 | $522,964 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.108 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for construction industry certification programs, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $115,700 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $115,700 | $115,700 | $115,700 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.109 BOND:** DOE Locations Statewide: $5,770,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund renovation and addition to Mobley Hall at the Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Covington, Newton County. [Taxable Bond] (S and CC:Provide $5,770,000 in 20-year bonds for renovation and addition to Mobley Hall at the Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Covington, Newton County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $523,916 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Education by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,770,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $261,958 | $523,916 | $523,916 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.110 BOND:** K - 12 Schools: $2,000,000 in principal for 10 years at 5.52%: Fund incentive to purchase alternative fuel school buses and study the future feasibility of a fully electric school bus fleet.

**From State General Funds, $265,600 is specifically appropriated for the State Board of Education (Department of Education) for the purpose of financing educational facilities for county and independent school systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of one hundred and twenty months.**

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| State General Funds | $265,600 | $265,600 | $265,600 |

**Education, Department of**

**353.111 BOND:** DOE Locations Statewide: $0 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund renovation of Cabin 6 and Cabin 10 at the Camp John Hope Georgia FFA/FCCLA Center, Fort Valley, Macon County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:NO)

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| State General Funds | | $81,720 | $0 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.201 BOND:** Regents: $55,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major repairs and renovations, statewide. (S and CC:Provide $55,000,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major repairs and renovations, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $4,708,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $55,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $5,992,000 | $5,992,000 | $4,708,000 | $4,708,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.202 BOND:** University of Georgia: $5,700,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Interdisciplinary STEM Research Building II, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,318,980 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,318,980 | $1,318,980 | $1,318,980 | $1,318,980 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.203 BOND:** University of North Georgia: $3,200,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Mike Cottrell College of Business, University of North Georgia, Dahlonega, Lumpkin County.

**From State General Funds, $740,480 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $740,480 | $740,480 | $740,480 | $740,480 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.204 BOND:** Fort Valley State University: $12,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for Academic Renovation and Campus Infrastructure, Fort Valley State University, Fort Valley, Peach County.

**From State General Funds, $1,044,320 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities**

**for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,044,320 | $1,044,320 | $1,044,320 | $1,044,320 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.205 BOND:** Valdosta State University: $12,400,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Performing Arts Center, Valdosta State University, Valdosta, Lowndes County.

**From State General Funds, $1,061,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,061,440 | $1,061,440 | $1,061,440 | $1,061,440 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.206 BOND:** University of Georgia: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design, construction, and equipment for the Multidisciplinary Greenhouse Complex, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $454,000 | $454,000 | $454,000 | $454,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.207 BOND:** Kennesaw State University: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction, and equipment for the Crawford Lab (Building E) renovation, Kennesaw State University, Marietta, Cobb County.

**From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or**

**facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $428,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.208 BOND:** Georgia Southern University: $36,700,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Bulloch County. (H:Provide $32,230,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of the Jack and Ruth Ann Hill Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Bulloch County)(S and CC:Provide $36,700,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of the Jack and Ruth Ann Hill Convocation Center, Georgia Southern University, Statesboro, Bulloch County)

**From State General Funds, $3,141,520 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $36,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,046,888 | $2,758,888 | $3,141,520 | $3,141,520 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.209 BOND:** University of Georgia: $1,700,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for the renovation and modernization of Science Hill, Phase I (Building 1001), University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $393,380 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $393,380 | $393,380 | $393,380 | $393,380 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.210 BOND:** University of Georgia: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design and construction for Science Hill Modernization - Infrastructure Upgrades, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $454,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than**

**$5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| State General Funds | $454,000 | $454,000 | $454,000 | $454,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.211 BOND:** Atlanta Metropolitan State College: $3,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for energy efficiency and infrastructure upgrades, Atlanta Metropolitan State College, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $273,920 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $273,920 | $273,920 | $273,920 | $273,920 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.212 BOND:** Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College: $11,800,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for Ag Facilities enhancement, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Tifton, Tift County.

**From State General Funds, $1,010,080 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $11,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,010,080 | $1,010,080 | $1,010,080 | $1,010,080 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.213 BOND:** University of Georgia: $21,700,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction for Poultry Science Complex Phase I, University of Georgia, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,970,360 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $21,700,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,970,360 | $1,970,360 | $1,970,360 | $1,970,360 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.214 BOND:** University of West Georgia: $26,300,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Humanities Building renovations and infrastructure, University of West Georgia, Carrollton, Carroll County.

**From State General Funds, $2,251,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $26,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,251,280 | $2,251,280 | $2,251,280 | $2,251,280 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.215 BOND:** Georgia Highlands College: $2,400,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for Floyd Campus HVAC Infrastructure, Georgia Highlands College, Rome, Floyd County.

**From State General Funds, $205,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,400,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $205,440 | $205,440 | $205,440 | $205,440 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.216 BOND:** Savannah State University: $4,050,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction, and equipment for Campuswide HVAC and Access Control Infrastructure, Savannah State University, Savannah, Chatham County. (H and S:Provide $4,050,000 in 20-year bonds to design, construct, and equip campus-wide HVAC and access control infrastructure, Savannah State University, Savannah, Chatham County)

**From State General Funds, $346,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,050,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $235,400 | $346,680 | $346,680 | $346,680 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.217 BOND:** Albany State University: $7,600,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for the Nursing and Health Science Simulation Lab Facility, Albany State University, Albany, Dougherty County.

**From State General Funds, $650,560 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $7,600,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $650,560 | $650,560 | $650,560 | $650,560 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.218 BOND:** Georgia Research Alliance: $5,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment and fund GRA research and development infrastructure, Georgia Research Alliance, multiple locations. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,157,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,157,000 | $1,157,000 | $1,157,000 | $1,157,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.219 BOND:** Georgia Military College: $250,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of the Parham Hall expansion, Georgia Military College, Milledgeville, Baldwin County.

**From State General Funds, $21,400 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Trustees of the Georgia Military College by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $250,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $21,400 | $21,400 | $21,400 | $21,400 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.220 BOND:** Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission: $750,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Purchase generators for the field transmission towers, Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $68,100 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $68,100 | $68,100 | $68,100 | $68,100 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.221 BOND:** Georgia State University: $6,200,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Convocation Center, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:Provide $6,200,000 in 5-year bonds to purchase equipment for the Convocation Center, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Fulton County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $1,434,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $717,340 | $717,340 | $1,434,680 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.222 BOND:** Georgia State University: $0 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of construction of the Research Tower - Research Center, Georgia State University, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:NO)

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| State General Funds | $682,630 | $682,630 | $0 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.223 BOND:** Georgia Gwinnett College: $3,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of Gateway Building and Infrastructure, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County. (S and CC:Provide $3,500,000 in 5-year bonds for design of Gateway Building and Infrastructure, Georgia Gwinnett College, Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County)

**From State General Funds, $809,900 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $404,950 | $809,900 | $809,900 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.224 BOND:** Augusta University: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund Christenberry Field House renovations, Augusta University, Augusta, Richmond County. (S and CC:Provide $5,000,000 in 20-year bonds for Christenberry Field House renovations, Augusta University, Augusta, Richmond County)

**From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $214,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.225 BOND:** Dalton State College: $8,300,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of the Bandy Gymnasium renovations, Dalton State College, Dalton, Whitfield County. (S and CC:Provide $8,300,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of the Bandy Gymnasium renovations, Dalton State College, Dalton, Whitfield County)

**From State General Funds, $710,480 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $8,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $355,240 | $710,480 | $710,480 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.226 BOND:** College of Coastal Georgia: $3,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund planning, design and construction for the Andrews Center renovation, College of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick, Glynn County. (CC:Fund $3,000,000 in 20-year bonds for planning, design and construction for the Andrews Center renovation, College of Coastal Georgia, Brunswick, Glynn County)

**From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $128,400 | $128,400 | $256,800 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.227 BOND:** Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission: $450,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund remote work cyber security upgrades and enhancements, Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $104,130 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $450,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $104,130 | $104,130 | $104,130 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.228 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $1,860,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for major repair and renovations, Georgia Public Library Service, statewide. (S:Provide $2,000,000 in 20-year bonds for design and construction for major repair and renovations, Georgia Public Library Service, statewide)(CC:Provide $1,860,000 in 20-year bonds for design and construction for major repair and renovations, Georgia Public Library Service, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $159,216 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,860,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $85,600 | $171,200 | $159,216 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.229 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $210,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Centralhatchee Public Library expansion, Centralhatchee, Heard County.

**From State General Funds, $17,976 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $210,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $17,976 | $17,976 | $17,976 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.230 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $1,730,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Braselton Branch Library addition, Braselton, Jackson County.

**From State General Funds, $148,088 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,730,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $148,088 | $148,088 | $148,088 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.231 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $3,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Vidalia Toombs County Library addition, Vidalia, Toombs County. (S and CC:Provide $3,000,000 in 20-years bonds for design, construction and equipment for the consolidation of and the addition to the Vidalia Toombs County Library and the Ladson Genealogical Library, Vidalia, Toombs County)

**From State General Funds, $256,800 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $3,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $85,600 | $256,800 | $256,800 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.232 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $2,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the South Columbus Public Library addition, Columbus, Muscogee County. (CC:Provide $2,000,000 in 20-year bonds for design, construction and equipment for the South Columbus Public Library addition, Columbus, Muscogee County)

**From State General Funds, $171,200 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $2,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $85,600 | $85,600 | $171,200 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.233 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $900,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund renovation of Thomas County Public Library, Thomasville, Thomas County.

**From State General Funds, $77,040 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System**

**of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $77,040 | $77,040 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.234 BOND:** Georgia Public Library System: $1,900,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for expansion of the Gritters Library, Cobb County Library System, Marietta, Cobb County.

**From State General Funds, $162,640 is specifically appropriated for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia for the purpose of financing public library facilities for counties, municipalities, and boards of trustees of public libraries or boards of trustees of public library systems, through the issuance of not more than $1,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $162,640 | $162,640 |

**University System of Georgia, Board of Regents**

**353.235 BOND:** University of North Georgia: $1,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of the Cumming Academic Building Addition Cumming Campus, University of North Georgia, Cumming, Forsyth County.

**From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $231,400 | $231,400 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.251 BOND:** Technical College Multi-Projects: $23,900,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund facility major repairs and renovations, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $2,170,120 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $23,900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in**

**excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,170,120 | $2,170,120 | $2,170,120 | $2,170,120 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.252 BOND:** Technical College Multi-Projects: $10,300,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for refresh, statewide. [Taxable Bond] (H and S:Provide $10,300,000 in 5-year bonds for equipment refresh, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $2,383,420 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,314,000 | $2,383,420 | $2,383,420 | $2,383,420 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.253 BOND:** Gwinnett Technical College: $6,200,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for Building 100 renovation and addition, Gwinnett Technical College, Lawrenceville, Gwinnett County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,434,680 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $6,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,434,680 | $1,434,680 | $1,434,680 | $1,434,680 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.254 BOND:** Chattahoochee Technical College: $26,800,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction for the Aviation Training Academy, Chattahoochee Technical College, Dallas, Paulding County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $2,433,440 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $26,800,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,433,440 | $2,433,440 | $2,433,440 | $2,433,440 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.255 BOND:** Athens Technical College: $13,085,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction for Industrial Systems Technology Building, Athens Technical College, Athens, Clarke County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,188,118 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $13,085,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,188,118 | $1,188,118 | $1,188,118 | $1,188,118 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.256 BOND:** Albany Technical College: $770,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for Diesel Equipment and Auto Collision Demonstration Center, Albany Technical College, Albany, Dougherty County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $178,178 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $770,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $178,178 | $178,178 | $178,178 | $178,178 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.257 BOND:** Savannah Technical College: $3,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design and construction for the Culinary Institute renovation, Savannah Technical College, Savannah, Chatham County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $317,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $317,800 | $317,800 | $317,800 | $317,800 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.258 BOND:** North Georgia Technical College: $5,620,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design, construction and equipment for the Dr. Mark A. Ivester Center for Living and Learning, North Georgia Technical College, Clarkesville, Habersham County. [Taxable Bond] (S and

CC:Provide $5,620,000 in 20-year bonds for design, construction and equipment for the Dr. Mark A. Ivester Center for Living and Learning, North Georgia Technical College, Clarkesville, Habersham County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $510,296 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,620,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $255,148 | $510,296 | $510,296 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.259 BOND:** Southern Regional Technical College: $2,270,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of the Technical and Industrial Education Building, Southern Regional Technical College, Moultrie, Colquitt County. [Taxable Bond] (S and CC:Provide $2,270,000 in 5-year bonds for design of the Technical and Industrial Education Building, Southern Regional Technical College, Moultrie, Colquitt County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $525,278 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,270,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $262,639 | $525,278 | $525,278 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.260 BOND:** Technical College Multi-Projects: $9,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of College and Career Academies, statewide. [Taxable Bond] (S and CC:Provide $9,000,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of College and Career Academies, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $817,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $9,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $408,600 | $817,200 | $817,200 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.261 BOND:** Georgia Piedmont Technical College: $5,770,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Lithonia, DeKalb County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:Provide $5,770,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Georgia Piedmont Technical College, Lithonia, DeKalb County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $523,916 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,770,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $261,958 | $523,916 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.262 BOND:** Atlanta Technical College: $3,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Atlanta Technical College, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:Provide $3,200,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Atlanta Technical College, Atlanta, Fulton County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $290,560 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $145,280 | $290,560 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.263 BOND:** Wiregrass Georgia Technical College: $2,530,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Wiregrass Technical College, Douglas, Coffee County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:Provide $2,530,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of commercial truck driving facility and diesel and technology program at Wiregrass Technical College, Douglas, Coffee County [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $229,724 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Technical College System of Georgia by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,530,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $99,880 | $229,724 |

**Technical College System of Georgia**

**353.264 BOND:** Coastal Pines Technical College: $0 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of the new construction at Coastal Pines Technical College, Brunswick, Glynn County. [Taxable Bond] (CC:NO)

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| State General Funds | $404,950 | $0 |

**Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of**

**353.301 BOND:** DBHDD Multi-projects: $2,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major improvements and renovations, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $214,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $214,000 | $214,000 | $214,000 | $214,000 |

**Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, Department of**

**353.302 BOND:** DBHDD Multi-projects: $2,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund facility repairs and sustainment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $578,500 | $578,500 | $578,500 | $578,500 |

**Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency**

**353.331 BOND:** Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency Multi-Projects: $4,305,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund facility repair and sustainment, statewide. (H and S:Provide $4,305,000 in 20-year bonds for facility repairs and sustainment, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $390,894 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,305,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $368,508 | $390,894 | $390,894 | $390,894 |

**Public Health, Department of**

**353.341 BOND:** Public Health Multi-Projects: $435,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund improvements and renovations to public health district office buildings and labs, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $100,659 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Health by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $435,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $100,659 | $100,659 | $100,659 |

**Veterans Service, Department of**

**353.351 BOND:** Georgia War Veterans Nursing Home, Milledgeville: $2,035,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase new furniture, fixtures, and equipment, Milledgeville, Baldwin County.

**From State General Funds, $470,899 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Veterans Service by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,035,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $470,899 | $470,899 | $470,899 | $470,899 |

**Corrections, Department of**

**353.371 BOND:** GDC multi-projects: $15,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund emergency repairs, sustainment, and equipment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $3,471,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $15,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $3,471,000 | $3,471,000 | $3,471,000 | $3,471,000 |

**Corrections, Department of**

**353.372 BOND:** GDC multi-projects: $15,625,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund security and systems improvements, various, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $3,615,625 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement,**

**or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $15,625,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $3,615,625 | $3,615,625 | $3,615,625 | $3,615,625 |

**Corrections, Department of**

**353.373 BOND:** GDC multi-projects: $14,965,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund major repair, renovations, and improvements, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $1,281,004 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Corrections by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $14,965,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,281,004 | $1,281,004 | $1,281,004 | $1,281,004 |

**Defense, Department of**

**353.391 BOND:** Defense Multi-projects: $12,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund site improvements and renovations to six Readiness Centers, statewide. (H and S:Provide $12,000,000 in 20-year bonds for site improvements and renovations to Readiness Centers in Tifton, Tift County; Thomasville, Thomas County; Glennville, Tattnall County; Canton, Cherokee County; Elberton, Elbert County; and Hinesville, Liberty County)

**From State General Funds, $1,027,200 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 |

**Defense, Department of**

**353.392 BOND:** National Guard Armories: $4,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facilities maintenance and repairs, match federal funds, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $342,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Defense by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $4,000,000 in principal**

**amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $342,400 | $342,400 | $342,400 | $342,400 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.401 BOND:** Coastal Regional Crime Lab: $750,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase CT scan equipment for medical examiner's office, Pooler, Chatham County.

**From State General Funds, $173,550 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $750,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $173,550 | $173,550 | $173,550 | $173,550 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.402 BOND:** GBI Multi-Projects: $550,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for Region One Calhoun Investigative Office and Special Operations Garage, Calhoun, Gordon County.

**From State General Funds, $127,270 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $550,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $127,270 | $127,270 | $127,270 | $127,270 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.403 BOND:** GBI Multi-Projects: $1,300,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major repairs and renovations, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $111,280 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,300,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $111,280 | $111,280 | $111,280 | $111,280 |

**Investigation, Georgia Bureau of**

**353.404 BOND:** GBI Multi-Projects: $1,345,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment for the Division of Forensic Sciences Laboratories, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $311,233 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,345,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $311,233 | $311,233 | $311,233 | $311,233 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.411 BOND:** DJJ Multi-Projects: $0 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund facility repairs and sustainment at various locations, statewide. (H:NO)(S:Fund facility repairs and sustainment at various locations, statewide)(CC:NO)

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| State General Funds | $694,200 | $0 | $694,200 | $0 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.412 BOND:** Muscogee Youth Development Campus: $13,725,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for the Muscogee Youth Development Campus (YDC) 56 bed housing unit, Columbus, Muscogee County.

**From State General Funds, $1,174,860 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $13,725,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,174,860 | $1,174,860 | $1,174,860 | $1,174,860 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.413 BOND:** Augusta State Youth Development Campus: $900,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design of academic building at the Augusta Youth Development Campus, Augusta, Richmond County.

**From State General Funds, $208,260 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $900,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty**

**months.**

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| State General Funds | $208,260 | $208,260 | $208,260 | $208,260 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.414 BOND:** Augusta State Youth Development Campus: $11,725,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund design and construction for the Augusta Youth Development Campus 56 bed housing unit, Augusta, Richmond County.

**From State General Funds, $1,003,660 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $11,725,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,003,660 | $1,003,660 | $1,003,660 | $1,003,660 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.415 BOND:** Judge Thomas Jefferson Loftiss II Regional Youth Detention Center: $5,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for site improvements of the Loftiss Regional Youth Detention Center (RYDC) due to DBHDD closure, Thomasville, Thomas County.

**From State General Funds, $428,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $5,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $428,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 | $428,000 |

**Juvenile Justice, Department of**

**353.416 BOND:** DJJ Multi-Projects: $1,160,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase weapon and contraband detection equipment for nine facilities, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $268,424 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Juvenile Justice by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,160,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $268,424 | $268,424 | $268,424 | $268,424 |

**Public Safety, Department of**

**353.431 BOND:** DPS Headquarters: $56,410,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction for new headquarters building and demolition of current building, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $4,828,696 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $56,410,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $4,828,696 | $4,828,696 | $4,828,696 | $4,828,696 |

**Public Safety, Department of**

**353.432 BOND:** DPS Multi-Projects: $775,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase equipment to upgrade helicopter systems, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $179,335 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $775,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $179,335 | $179,335 | $179,335 | $179,335 |

**Public Safety, Department of**

**353.433 BOND:** Patrol Posts Various: $655,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of three new communication towers, various, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $56,068 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Public Safety by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $655,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $56,068 | $56,068 | $56,068 | $56,068 |

**Building Authority, Georgia**

**353.501 BOND:** GBA multi-projects: $2,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund design for renovation of the existing Judicial Building, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $578,500 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities**

**for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $578,500 | $578,500 | $578,500 | $578,500 |

**Building Authority, Georgia**

**353.502 BOND:** GBA multi-projects: $1,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund renovations of Old Judicial Building and State Capitol, Atlanta, Fulton County.

**From State General Funds, $128,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Building Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | | | $128,400 | $128,400 |

**Driver Services, Department of**

**353.511 BOND:** Department of Driver Services - Multi-Projects: $580,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund installation of security cameras and generators, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $134,212 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $580,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $134,212 | $134,212 | $134,212 | $134,212 |

**Driver Services, Department of**

**353.512 BOND:** Department of Driver Services - Multi-Projects: $0 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction and equipment for a new Commercial Driver License (CDL) testing pad and carousel, Hazlehurst, Jeff Davis County. (CC:NO)

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| State General Funds | | | $102,720 | $0 |

**Driver Services, Department of**

**353.513 BOND:** Department of Driver Services - Multi-Projects: $1,200,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund construction of a new Customer Service Center, Rome, Floyd County. (CC:Provide $1,200,000 in 20-year bonds for construction of a new Customer Service Center, Rome, Floyd

County)

**From State General Funds, $102,720 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Driver Services by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,200,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $51,360 | $102,720 |

**Financing and Investment Commission, Georgia State**

**353.521 BOND:** GSFIC-Multi-Projects: $10,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund construction for repairs and renovations of state-owned facilities, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $2,314,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia State Financing and Investment Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $10,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $2,314,000 | $2,314,000 | $2,314,000 | $2,314,000 |

**General Assembly, Georgia**

**353.531 BOND:** Georgia General Assembly Joint Offices: $1,500,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund upgrade to the Legislative Management System. (S and CC:Provide $1,500,000 in 5-years bonds for upgrade to the Legislative Management System)

**From State General Funds, $347,100 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia General Assembly by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $173,550 | $347,100 | $347,100 |

**Environmental Finance Authority, Georgia**

**353.581 BOND:** Local Government Infrastructure: $12,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund Federal State Revolving Fund Match, Clean Water and Drinking Water Loan Programs, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $1,027,200 is specifically appropriated for the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority for the purpose of financing loans to counties, municipal corporations, political subdivisions, local**

**authorities, and other local government entities for water or sewerage facilities or systems or for regional or multijurisdictional solid waste recycling or solid waste facilities or systems, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 | $1,027,200 |

**Agriculture, Department of**

**353.591 BOND:** Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority: $630,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund equipment, and facility major improvements and renovations, Perry, Houston County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $57,204 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Agriculture for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia Agricultural Exposition Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $630,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $57,204 | $57,204 | $57,204 | $57,204 |

**Agriculture, Department of**

**353.592 BOND:** State Farmers' Markets: $1,000,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Fund facility repairs and sustainment for farmers' markets, statewide. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $231,400 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Agriculture by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | | $231,400 | $231,400 | $231,400 |

**Forestry Commission, State**

**353.601 BOND:** Forestry Equipment: $690,000 in principal for 5 years at 5.07%: Purchase replacement fire fighting equipment, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $159,666 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $690,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of sixty months.**

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| State General Funds | $159,666 | $159,666 | $159,666 | $159,666 |

**Forestry Commission, State**

**353.602 BOND:** Forestry Buildings: $950,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund planning, design, construction, and equipment for Pierce unit, Patterson, Pierce County.

**From State General Funds, $81,320 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the State Forestry Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $950,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $81,320 | $81,320 | $81,320 | $81,320 |

**Natural Resources, Department of**

**353.611 BOND:** DNR multi-projects: $14,830,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund facility major improvements and renovations, statewide. (H:Provide $12,400,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major improvements and renovations, statewide)(S:Provide $17,115,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major improvements and renovations, statewide)(CC:Provide $14,830,000 in 20-year bonds for facility major improvements and renovations, statewide)

**From State General Funds, $1,269,448 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Natural Resources by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $14,830,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $684,800 | $1,061,440 | $1,465,044 | $1,269,448 |

**Natural Resources, Department of**

**353.612 BOND:** Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority: $21,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund Lake Lanier Islands Conference Center, Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, statewide. [Taxable Bond] (H:Provide $9,500,000 in 5-year bonds for Lake Lanier Islands Conference Center, Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, statewide [Taxable Bond])(S and CC:Provide $21,000,000 in 20-year bonds for Lake Lanier Islands Conference Center, Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority, statewide [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $1,906,800 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Lake Lanier Islands Development Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $21,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,388,400 | $2,198,300 | $1,906,800 | $1,906,800 |

**Soil and Water Conservation Commission, State**

**353.621 BOND:** Soil & Water Conservation Watershed: $1,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund rehabilitation and maintenance, statewide.

**From State General Funds, $85,600 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Soil and Water Conservation Commission by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $1,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $85,600 | $85,600 | $85,600 | $85,600 |

**Economic Development, Department of**

**353.631 BOND:** Savannah Convention Center: $90,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund expansion of the State Convention Center, Savannah, Chatham County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $8,172,000 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Savannah-Georgia Convention Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $90,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $8,172,000 | $8,172,000 | $8,172,000 | $8,172,000 |

**Economic Development, Department of**

**353.632 BOND:** Georgia World Congress Center: $12,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund Georgia World Congress Center roof repairs, Atlanta, Fulton County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $1,089,600 is specifically appropriated for the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Georgia World Congress Center Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $1,089,600 | $1,089,600 | $1,089,600 | $1,089,600 |

**Stone Mountain Memorial Association**

**353.641 BOND:** Stone Mountain Memorial Association: $3,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund construction of Campground Phase 2

Renovation at Stone Mountain Park, Stone Mountain, DeKalb County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $317,800 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Stone Mountain Memorial Association by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $3,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $317,800 | $317,800 | $317,800 | |

**Jekyll Island-State Park Authority**

**353.651 BOND:** Jekyll Island: $2,950,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund design and construction of campground expansion, Jekyll Island, Glynn County. [Taxable Bond]

**From State General Funds, $267,860 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Jekyll Island-State Park Authority by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $2,950,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $267,860 | $267,860 | $267,860 | |

**Transportation, Department of**

**353.671 BOND:** Roads and Bridges: $100,000,000 in principal for 20 years at 5.77%: Fund repair, replacement, and renovation of bridges, statewide. (H and S:Provide $100,000,000 in 20-year bonds for repair, replacement, and renovation of road and bridges, statewide)

**From State Motor Fuel Funds, $8,560,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $100,000,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State Motor Fuel Funds | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 | $8,560,000 |

**Transportation, Department of**

**353.672 BOND:** Rail Lines: $12,500,000 in principal for 20 years at 6.5%: Fund upgrade of shortline railroads to Class II rail. [Taxable Bond] (H:Provide $10,000,000 in 20-year bonds to upgrade state-owned shortline railroads to Class II standards to help reduce truck traffic on state highways. Fund $2,950,000 for Georgia Southwestern Railroad to upgrade track and bridges between Cuthbert and Lynn and $7,050,000 for Heart of Georgia

Railroad to upgrade bridges and track between Preston and Vidalia, as referenced in the Department of Transportation priority list [Taxable Bond])(S and CC:Provide $12,500,000 in 20-year bonds to upgrade state-owned shortline railroads to Class II standards to help reduce truck traffic on state highways. Fund $2,950,000 for Georgia Southwestern Railroad to upgrade track and bridges between Cuthbert and Lynn, $7,050,000 for Heart of Georgia Railroad to upgrade bridges and track between Preston and Vidalia, and $2,500,000 for Chattooga and Chickamauga Railway to upgrade bridges and track between Lyerly and Rossville, as referenced in the Department of Transportation priority list [Taxable Bond])

**From State General Funds, $1,135,000 is specifically appropriated for the purpose of financing projects and facilities for the Department of Transportation by means of the acquisition, construction, development, extension, enlargement, or improvement of land, waters, property, highways, buildings, structures, equipment or facilities, both real and personal, necessary or useful in connection therewith, through the issuance of not more than $12,500,000 in principal amount of General Obligation Debt, the instruments of which shall have maturities not in excess of two hundred and forty months.**

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| State General Funds | $908,000 | $908,000 | $1,135,000 | $1,135,000 |

***Section 51: General Obligation Bonds Repealed, Revised, or Reinstated***
**Reserved.**

***Section 52: Salary Adjustments***
**Reserved.**

***Section 53: Refunds***
**In addition to all other appropriations, there is hereby appropriated, as needed, a specific sum of money equal to each refund authorized by law, which is required to make refunds of taxes and other monies collected in error, farmer gasoline tax refunds, and any other refunds specifically authorized by law.**

***Section 54: Leases***
**In accordance with the requirements of Article IX, Section III, Paragraph I(a) of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, as amended, there is hereby appropriated payable to each department, agency, or institution of the State sums sufficient to satisfy the payments required to be made in each year under existing lease contracts between any department, agency, or institution of the State and any authority created and activated at the time of the effective date of the aforesaid constitutional provision, as amended, or appropriated for the State Fiscal Year addressed within this Act. If for any reason any of the sums herein provided under any other provision of this Act are insufficient to make the required payments in full, then there shall be taken from other funds appropriated to the department, agency, or institution involved an amount sufficient to satisfy such deficiency in full, and the lease payment shall constitute a first charge on all such appropriations.**

***Section 55: Budgetary Control and Interpretation***

**The appropriations in this Act consist of the amount stated in the right-most column, for each line at the lowest level of detail for the fund source categories, "Total State Funds" and "Total Federal Funds," under a caption beginning with a program or special project number that has a 100 or a higher number after the decimal and a program or special project name. In each case, such appropriation is associated with the immediately preceding program or special project name, number, and statement of program or special project purpose. The program or special project purpose is stated immediately below the program or special project name. For authorizations for general obligation debt in Section 50, the indented, bold-faced paragraphs following each Bond number are the lowest level of detail and constitute appropriations in accordance with Article VII, Section IV, Paragraph III(a)(1) of the Georgia Constitution. The caption above the Bond number, the light-faced text immediately following the Bond number before the bold-faced text, and the light-faced after the boldfaced text are information only.**

**Similarly, text in a group of lines that has a number less than 100 after the decimal (01 through 99) is not part of a statement of purpose but constitutes information as to how the appropriation was derived. Amounts in the columns other than the right-most column are for informational purposes only. The summary and lowest level of detail for the fund source categories "Total Agency Funds" and "Total IntraState Governmental Transfers," are for informational purposes only. The blocks of text and numerals immediately following the section header and beginning with the phrases, "Section Total - Continuation" and "Section Totals - Final" are for informational purposes only. Sections 51, 52, 53, and 54 contain, constitute, or amend appropriations.**

***Section 56: Flex***

**Notwithstanding any other statement of purpose, the purpose of each appropriation of federal funds or other funds shall be the stated purpose or any other lawful purpose consistent with the fund source and the general law powers of the budget unit.**

**In the preceding sentence, "Federal Funds" means any federal funding source, whether specifically identified or not specifically identified; "Other Funds" means all other fund sources except State Funds or Federal Funds, including without limitation Intra-State Government Transfers. This paragraph shall not permit an agency to include within its flex the appropriations for an agency attached to it for administrative purposes.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "Medicaid: Low-Income Medicaid," "Medicaid: Aged, Blind, and Disabled," and "PeachCare" programs of the Department of Community Health, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State**

**fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "Capital Construction Projects," "Capital Maintenance Projects," and "Local Road Assistance Administration" programs of the Department of Transportation, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the three programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

**For purposes of the appropriations for the "HOPE GED," "HOPE Grant," "HOPE Scholarships – Private Schools," and "HOPE Scholarships – Public Schools" programs of the Georgia Student Finance Commission, the appropriation of a particular State fund source for each program shall be the amount stated, and each such program shall also be authorized up to an additional amount of 10 percent (10%) of the amount stated. However, if the additional authority is used, the appropriation of the same State fund source for the other programs to that agency shall be reduced in the same amount, such that the stated total in program appropriations from that State fund source for the four programs shall not be exceeded. However, the additional amount shall be from a State fund source which is lawfully available for the program to which it is added.**

***Part II: Effective Date***
**This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.**

***Part III: Repeal Conflicting Laws***
**All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.**

Senator Tillery of the 19th moved that the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on HB 81.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 52, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate adopted the Conference Committee Report on HB 81.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 553. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Reeves of the 34th, Efstration of the 104th, Burchett of the 176th, Smith of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 13 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to administrative procedure, so as to provide for participation in hearings by electronic communications; to provide for electronic filing of documents; to provide for electronic service; to provide for the electronic availability or transfer of the record; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws;

and for other purposes.

The House adheres to its position in insisting on its substitute and has appointed a Committee of Conference to confer with a like committee on the part of the Senate on the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Speaker has appointed on the part of the House, Representatives Gravley of the 67th, Watson of the 172nd, and Smyre of the 135th.

Senator Albers of the 56th asked unanimous consent that HB 445, having been placed on the Table on March 31, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 445, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 445. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Bazemore of the 63rd, Boddie of the 62nd, Dollar of the 45th, Thomas of the 65th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Jordan of the 6th.

The Senate Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations offered the following substitute to HB 445:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

An Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), is amended by designating the existing text of Section 1.11 as subsection (a) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(b) In addition to the territory described in subsection (a) of this section, the corporate limits of the City of South Fulton shall also include all of the unincorporated territory of Fulton County on the effective date of this Act south of the centerline of the right of way of State Route 402, also known as Interstate 20."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 445, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 290. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Rich of the 97th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of hospitals and related institutions, so as to prohibit hospitals and nursing homes from instituting any policy during a declared public health emergency that limits patients' abilities to be visited by designated family members or friends as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or nursing home; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide for limited liability; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House amendment to the Senate substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following amendment:

*Amend the Senate substitute to HB 290 (LC 33 8818S) by striking lines 1 through 42 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

To amend Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and construction of hospitals and other health care facilities, so as to prohibit hospitals and long-term care facilities from instituting any policy that limits patients' or residents' abilities to be visited by a legal representative as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a hospital or long-term care facility; to require the institution of policies by hospitals and long-term care facilities; to prohibit long-term care facilities from instituting any policy that limits residents' abilities to be visited by essential caregivers as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit to operate a long-term care facility; to provide for visitor policies; to provide for definitions; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to authorize the resident to change essential caregivers; to authorize temporary suspension or termination of access of a legal representative or essential caregiver; to provide for civil action; to provide for statutory construction; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation and

construction of hospitals and other health care facilities, is amended by adding a new article to read as follows:

"ARTICLE 16

31-7-430.

This article shall be known and may be cited as the 'Patient and Resident Representation Act.'

31-7-431.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Essential caregiver' means an individual age 18 years old or older who is a support person or caregiver designated by a patient or resident to assist with such patient or resident's activities and support their health, health care, long-term care, and overall well-being.

(2) 'Legal representative' means an individual 21 years old or older designated by a patient or resident to assist in exercising such patient or resident's fundamental right to make informed decisions regarding care, be informed of his or her health status, be involved in care planning and treatment, request or refuse treatment, access medical or personal information, financial matters, or act on behalf of such patient or resident. Unless otherwise designated by the patient or resident, such legal representative shall be the person authorized and empowered to act on behalf of the patient or resident pursuant to Code Section 31-9-2.

(3) 'Long-term care facility' means a skilled nursing home, intermediate care home, personal care home, assisted living community, community living arrangement, or inpatient hospice facility.

(4) 'Visitor' means an individual authorized by a patient or resident to have access to in-person visitation in a hospital or long-term care facility.

31-7-432.

(a) On and after July 1, 2021, each hospital and long-term care facility shall institute distinct and independent policies relating to:

(1) Legal representatives;

(2) Essential caregivers; and

(3) Visitors.

(b) Such policies shall:

(1) Be posted prominently on such hospital or long-term care facility's website and be made immediately available in printed form on the premises upon request; and

(2) Require that an individual or group of individuals be designated by the hospital or long-term care facility to provide information or receive formal complaints regarding policies or decisions relating to legal representatives, essential caregivers, and visitors as provided for in this article. The names and contact information for such designated individual or group of individuals shall be published on the hospital or long-term care facility's website and shall include, but shall not be limited to, the physical address,

email address, and direct phone number to which questions or complaints may be directed as provided in this article.

31-7-433.

(a) On and after July 1, 2021, as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit under this chapter to operate, a hospital or long-term care facility shall not institute any policy that limits any patient or resident's ability to have access to in-person contact with the legal representative of such patient or resident for less than one hour per day during any period of hospitalization, treatment, or residence that lasts for a period exceeding 12 hours, whether or not the patient or resident is competent.

(b) Notwithstanding Code Section 38-3-51, it shall be the policy of this state regarding the patient's exercise of rights under 42 C.F.R. 482.13(b)(2) that the fundamental right of patients or residents to make informed decisions regarding care, be informed of his or her health status, be involved in care planning and treatment, request or refuse treatment, access medical or personal information, manage financial matters, or have a legal representative act on behalf of such patient or resident depends upon the patient or resident having access to in-person contact with their legal representative in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section; furthermore, such access to in-person contact with his or her legal representative is deemed equally essential to the provision of health care as access to the services of medical professionals, staff, or agents of the hospital or long-term care facility; provided, however, that on an individual case-by-case basis, for patients in operating rooms, transplant wards, burn units, or requiring physical isolation for violent emergency psychiatric or the patient's own exceptional immunocompromised conditions, the patient's attending physician may, upon medical necessity, restrict or postpone a patient's access to in-person contact with their legal representative for the duration of the medical necessity, and the standing orders of a hospital or acute care unit shall not satisfy this exception.

(c) Hospitals and long-term care facilities shall not be prevented from imposing reasonable safety requirements specific to each clinical or residential setting to effectuate the in-person contact of legal representatives with patients or residents required pursuant to this Code section; provided, however, that a hospital or long-term care facility may temporarily suspend or terminate the access of a legal representative:

(1) For failure to comply with reasonable safety requirements; or

(2) To any patient or resident who is under the custody of a law enforcement agency or a correctional institution.

General safety requirements imposed by a hospital or long-term care facility pursuant to this Code section shall be posted on the hospital or long-term care facility's website and be made available upon request in printed form.

(d) Reasonable costs of complying with the safety requirements of subsection (c) of this Code section may be borne by the legal representative.

(e) The Governor shall not be authorized to waive or otherwise limit the provisions of this Code section pursuant to Code Section 38-3-51.

(f) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to establish that a legal representative

is an employee or agent of the hospital or long-term care facility.
(g) Any patient or resident may bring a civil action in court for only injunctive relief for the failure of a hospital, long-term care facility, or governmental entity to comply with the provisions of this Code section.

31-7-434.
(a) On and after July 1, 2021, as a condition precedent to obtaining or maintaining a permit under this chapter to operate, a long-term care facility shall not institute any policy that limits any resident's ability to have in-person contact with an essential caregiver during any period of treatment or residence that lasts for a period exceeding 24 hours, whether or not the resident is competent, subject to the limitations set forth by the Governor in any emergency declaration issued pursuant to Code Section 38-3-51.
(b) Long-term care facilities shall not be prevented from imposing reasonable safety requirements specific to each residential setting to effectuate the in-person contact of any essential caregivers with residents in the long-term care facility as required pursuant to this Code section; provided, however, that a long-term care facility may temporarily suspend or terminate the access of an essential caregiver:
(1) For failure to comply with reasonable safety requirements; or
(2) To any resident who is under the custody of a law enforcement agency or a correctional institution.
Any such safety requirements shall provide that at least a total of two such legal representatives or essential caregivers are authorized to have in-person contact with such resident for no less than a single period of two hours per day.
(c) General safety requirements imposed by a long-term care facility pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section shall be posted on the long-term care facility's website and be made available upon request in printed form.
(d) Reasonable costs of complying with the safety requirements of subsection (b) of this Code section may be borne by the essential caregiver.
(e) The resident shall have discretion to designate and change his or her list of essential caregivers in accordance with reasonable guidelines established by the department.
(f) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to establish that an essential caregiver is an employee or agent of the long-term care facility.
(g) Any resident may bring a civil action in court for only injunctive relief for the failure of a long-term care facility or governmental entity to comply with the provisions of this Code section.

31-7-435.
(a) On and after July 1, 2021, hospitals and long-term care facilities shall institute visitor policies, appropriate to their clinical and residential settings, that are no more restrictive to visitation than the minimum standards promulgated by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
(b) Hospitals and long-term care facilities shall not be prevented from imposing reasonable safety requirements relating to the in-person contact of visitors with patients

or residents. Such general safety requirements shall be posted on the hospital or long-term care facility's website and be made available upon request in printed form.
(c) Reasonable costs of complying with the safety requirements of subsection (b) of this Code section may be borne by the visitor.
31-7-436.
(a) The department shall establish rules and regulations narrowly tailored to implement the provisions of this article.
(b) The department shall be authorized to take civil, disciplinary, or administrative action against any hospital or long-term care facility for noncompliance with this article.
(c) Nothing in this article shall be construed to limit any right of a patient or resident recognized under any provision of state or federal law or regulation.
(d) The provisions of this article shall be construed to comply with the requirements of the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to obtain funding for patients, residents, hospitals, or long-term care facilities."

**SECTION 2.**
All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senators Watson of the 1st and Kirkpatrick of the 32nd filed the following amendment #1:

*Amend the House amendment (AM 33 1976) to the Senate substitute to HB 290 (LC 33 8818S) by adding after* "burn units," *on line 80 the following:*
psychiatric hospitals or units,

*By striking* "or" *at the end of line 91, by replacing the period at the end of line 93 with* "; or"*, and by adding between lines 93 and 94 the following:*
(3) Who is under reasonable suspicion of criminal activity.

*By striking* "or" *at the end of line 118, by replacing the period at the end of line 120 with* "; or"*, and by adding between lines 120 and 121 the following:*
(3) Who is under reasonable suspicion of criminal activity.

Senator Watson of the 1st filed the following amendment #1A:

Amend House Amendment to Senate Substitute to HB 290 by striking the words “or units” on line 3 of Amendment #1 and replacing them with “or wards”

Senator Burke of the 11th filed the following amendment #2:

Amend the House Amendment to Senate Substitute to HB 290 (LC 33 8818S) by striking lines 1-16 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

To amend Chapter 7 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the regulation and construction of hospitals and other health care facilities, so as to provide for visitor policies; to provide for definitions; to provide for reasonable safety precautions; to provide statutory construction; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide for enforcement; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Strike lines 19 - lines 135

Senator Watson of the 1st moved that the Senate agree to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 290 as amended by the following amendment:

Senator Watson of the 1st offered the following amendment #3:

*Amend the House amendment (AM 33 1976) to the Senate substitute to HB 290 (LC 33 8818S) by adding after* "burn units," *on line 80 the following:*

psychiatric hospitals or units,

*By striking* "or" *at the end of line 91, by replacing the period at the end of line 93 with* "; or"*, and by adding between lines 93 and 94 the following:*

(3) Who is under reasonable suspicion of criminal activity.

*By striking* "or" *at the end of line 118, by replacing the period at the end of line 120 with* "; or"*, and by adding between lines 120 and 121 the following:*

(3) Who is under reasonable suspicion of criminal activity.

*By deleting lines 152 and 153.*

Senator Burke of the 11th moved that HB 290 be placed on the Table.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |

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| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 42, nays 10; the motion prevailed, and HB 290 was placed on the Table.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that the Senate insist on its substitute to HB 409.

The consent was granted, and the Senate insisted on its substitute to HB 409.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that HB 97, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 97, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 97. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd, Fleming of the 121st, Scoggins of the 14th, Oliver of the 82nd, Wilson of the 80th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 9 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to jurisdiction, power, and duties, so as to require and to provide for an oath for certain clerks of the probate court;

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

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 46, nays 0.

HB 97, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Mullis of the 53rd asked unanimous consent that HB 392, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 392, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 392. By Representatives Ridley of the 6th, Powell of the 32nd, Erwin of the 28th, Scoggins of the 14th and Washburn of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide that licenses for retail

sale packages of alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises shall be subject to regulation as to distances from schools as determined by the local governing authority; to provide definitions; to provide an exception; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Mullis of the 53rd.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 392:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to change certain provisions related to the sale of alcoholic beverages; to allow for local control as to the distance requirements for the sale of wine and malt beverages for consumption off the premises from school grounds, but not to change provisions related to distances from school buildings; to provide an exception; to change a definition; to clarify that certain quantity limitations apply to package sales of certain alcoholic beverages; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, is amended by revising Code Section 3-3-21, relating to sales of alcoholic beverages near churches, school buildings, or other sites, as follows:

"3-3-21.

(a)(1) No person knowingly and intentionally may sell or offer to sell:

(A) Any distilled spirits in or within 100 yards of any church building or within 200 yards of any school building, educational building, school grounds, or college campus;

(B) Any wine or malt beverages within 100 yards of any school building, school grounds, or college campus. This subparagraph shall not apply at any location for which a license has been issued prior to July 1, 1981, nor to the renewal of such license. Nor shall this subparagraph apply at any location for which a new license is applied for if the sale of wine and beer was lawful at such location at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding such application. Nothing in this subparagraph shall prohibit a grocery store licensed for the retail sale of only wine and malt beverages for consumption off the premises from selling wine or malt beverages within 100 yards of any school building, ~~school grounds,~~ or college campus, where so permitted by resolution or ordinance of the county or

municipality. As used in this subparagraph, the term 'grocery store' means a retail establishment which has a total retail floor space of at least 10,000 square feet of which at least 85 percent is reserved for the sale of food and other nonalcoholic items, conducts all of its sales inside the building containing its retail floor space, and meets such other criteria as may be required by the local governing authority of the county or municipality; or

(C) Any distilled spirits, wine, or malt beverages within 100 yards of an alcoholic treatment center owned and operated by this state or any county or municipal government therein. This paragraph shall not apply to any business having a license in effect on July 1, 1981.

(2) As used in this subsection, the term 'school building' or 'educational building' shall apply only to state, county, city, or church school buildings and to such buildings at such other schools in which are taught subjects commonly taught in the common schools and colleges of this state and which are public schools or private schools as defined in subsection (b) of Code Section 20-2-690.

(b) Nothing contained in this Code section shall prohibit the licensing of the sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages by:

(1) Hotels of 50 rooms or more which have been in continuous operation for a period of at least five years preceding July 1, 1981;

(2) Bona fide private clubs, owning their own homes, subject to licensing under Chapter 7 of this title;

(3) Licensees for the retail sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises only who shall be subject to regulation as to distances from churches, schools, and college campuses by counties and municipalities; ~~and~~

(4) Licensees for retail sale packages of alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises who shall be subject to regulation as to distances from college campuses by counties and municipalities; provided, however, that such distances may be less restrictive than those provided in this Code section but shall not be more restrictive; and provided, further, that if such licensees are not regulated as to distances from college campuses by a county or municipality, then the distances set forth in this Code section shall govern such licensees; and

(5) Licensees for retail sale packages of wine and malt beverages for consumption off the premises who shall be subject to regulation as to distances from school grounds by counties and municipalities; provided, however, that if such licensees are not regulated as to distances from school grounds, then the distances set forth in this Code section shall govern such licensees.

For purposes of this subsection, the term 'college campus' shall include, but shall not be limited to, all buildings and grounds of any public or private technical school, vocational school, college, university, or other institution of postsecondary education.

(c) For purposes of this Code section, distances shall be measured by the most direct route of travel on the ground.

(d) Reserved.

(e)(1) As used in this subsection, the term 'housing authority property' means any

property containing 300 housing units or fewer owned or operated by a housing authority created by Article 1 of Chapter 3 of Title 8, the 'Housing Authorities Law.'

(2) No person knowingly and intentionally may sell any alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises within 100 yards of any housing authority property. This subsection shall not apply at any location for which a license has been issued prior to July 1, 2000, nor to the renewal of such license. Nor shall this subsection apply at any location for which a new license is applied for if the sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises was lawful at such location at any time during the 12 months immediately preceding such application."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (2) of Code Section 3-9-10, relating to definitions related to sales of alcoholic beverages by hotels and motels, as follows:

"(2) 'In-room service' means:

(A) The delivery of alcoholic beverages ~~in unbroken packages~~ by an employee of the hotel to a registered guest's room or to a registered guest at any other location in the same building as the hotel when such alcoholic beverages have been ordered by the guest and when the guest shall be billed for the cost of such alcoholic beverages at the time of delivery and when the sale of such alcoholic beverages is completed at the time of delivery; and

(B) The provision of a cabinet or other facility located in a hotel's guest room which contains alcoholic beverages and which is provided upon written request of the guest and which is accessible by lock and key only to the guest and for which the sale of the alcoholic beverages contained therein is deemed to be final at the time requested except for a credit which may be given to the guest for any unused portion."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (d) of Code Section 3-9-11, relating to licenses for in-room service, as follows:

"(d) Distilled spirits sold <u>by the package</u> pursuant to this article shall not be sold in packages containing less than 50 milliliters each."

**SECTION 4.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 39, nays 8.

HB 392, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator McNeill of the 3rd asked unanimous consent that HB 258, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 258, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 258. By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Momtahan of the 17th, Camp of the 131st, Burchett of the 176th, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, so as to provide a response to State v. Williams, 2020 Ga. LEXIS 85 (February 10, 2020); to provide that, when a victim is under the age of 16, consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution for sodomy, aggravated sodomy, child molestation, aggravated child

molestation, sexual battery, and aggravated sexual battery; to make conforming changes; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator McNeill of the 3rd.

Senators Strickland of the 17th, Jackson of the 41st and McNeill of the 3rd offered the following amendment #1:

Amend HB 258 (LC 28 0256S) by inserting between “Code Section” and the period on lines 14 and 20 the following:

; provided, however, that if at the time of the offense the alleged victim is at least 13 but less than 16 years of age and the accused is 18 years of age or younger and no more than 48 months older than the alleged victim, this subsection shall not be applicable.

On the adoption of the amendment, there were no objections, and the Strickland amendment #1 was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to as amended.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

HB 258, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed as amended.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/21

Due to business outside the Senate Chamber, I missed the vote on HB 258. Had I been present, I would have voted yes.

/s/ Payne of the 54th

Senator Gooch of the 51st asked unanimous consent that HB 477, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 477, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 477. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Smith of the 70th, Rhodes of the 120th and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-7-29.12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for qualified donation of real property, carryover of credit, appraisals, transfer of credit, and penalty, so as to extend the sunset date for applications for the tax credit for qualified donations of real property; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Gooch of the 51st.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 477:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 48-7-29.12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for qualified donation of real property, carryover of credit, appraisals, transfer of credit, and penalty, so as to revise the period for applications for the tax credit for qualified donations of real property; to provide for an aggregate cap; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 48-7-29.12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for qualified donation of real property, carryover of credit, appraisals, transfer of credit, and penalty, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (d) as follows:

"(3)(A) Beginning on January 1, 2016, and ending on December 31, 2021, the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this Code section shall not exceed $30 million per calendar year. For the period beginning on January 1, 2022, and ending on December 31, 2026, the aggregate amount of tax credits allowed under this Code section shall not exceed $4 million per calendar year. The Department of Natural Resources shall accept no new applications for the tax credits allowed under this Code section after December 31, ~~2021~~ 2026.

(B) Prior to any renewal of the exemption for donations of real property beyond the date authorized by subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, the Department of Natural Resources shall provide a report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee on the activity of the program occurring during the preceding years. The report shall include, but not be limited to:

(i) The number of applications and the total number of acres donated;

(ii) The value of the qualified donations accepted into the program and which two of the five conservation purposes contained in paragraph (2) of subsection (a) of this Code section were the basis for the qualification of the property;

(iii) The aggregate amount of income tax credits granted pursuant to this Code section; and

(iv) A listing of the direct and indirect benefits to the state due to the donation of land for conservation purposes."

**SECTION 2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

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| Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 47, nays 0.

HB 477, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that HB 548, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 548, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 548. By Representatives Dempsey of the 13th, Reeves of the 34th, Wade of the 9th, Oliver of the 82nd and Dubnik of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 49-5-41 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to persons and agencies permitted access to records, so as to provide for reasonable access to records concerning reports of child abuse to the Administrative Office of the Courts; to provide for agreements with the Division of Family and Children Services to ensure confidentiality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Hatchett of the 50th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 48, nays 0.

HB 548, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 201. By Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the administration of revenue and taxation, so as to require financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; to provide for conditions, limitations, and prohibitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 201:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to require financial institutions to provide certain information related to delinquent taxpayers to the Department of Revenue under certain conditions; to provide for conditions, limitations, and prohibitions; to provide for reporting; to provide for violations and penalties; to provide for definitions; to provide for certain counties contracting with municipalities for services to be performed by county tax commissioners; to provide for duties, responsibilities, and compensation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-2-63.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Account' means:

(A) With respect to a depository institution as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section 1813(c), a deposit account;

(B) With respect to any federal or state credit union as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section 1752, a deposit account; and

(C) With respect to a benefit association, safe deposit company, money market mutual fund, brokerage firm, trust company, or similar entity authorized to do business in the State of Georgia, any account.

(2) 'Delinquent taxpayer' means a person owing an unpaid tax liability for which appeals from assessments of taxes pursuant to Title 48 or other applicable laws have expired or been exhausted, and for which an execution has been recorded by the department, unless such execution is released, withdrawn, or expired.

(3) 'Financial institution' means:

(A) A depository institution as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section 1813(c);

(B) Any federal or state credit union as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section 1752; or

(C) Any benefit association, safe deposit company, money market mutual fund, brokerage firm, trust company, or similar entity authorized to do business in the State of Georgia.

(b) The department may request not more than four times a year from a financial institution information provided in subsection (c) of this Code section for delinquent taxpayers for whom the department has filed an execution in accordance with Chapter 3 of this title.

(c) Financial institutions doing business in this state shall, within 30 days after a

financial institution receives a request for information under subsection (b) of this Code section, submit a report to the department in an industry standard, machine-readable, electronic format to be prescribed by the department. Each such report shall identify any accounts that the financial institution holds with respect to the delinquent taxpayers identified in the request. The financial institution, to the maximum extent possible, shall provide the name, record address, social security number or other taxpayer identification number, account balance, and other electronically available account identifying information for each delinquent taxpayer who maintains an account at the financial institution as identified to such financial institution by the department by name and social security number or other taxpayer identification number in an industry standard, machine-readable, electronic format. The department may pay a reasonable fee to financial institutions for conducting the searches required by this Code section in an amount that does not exceed the actual costs incurred by the financial institution or $100.00, whichever is less.

(d) The department is authorized to enter into agreements with financial institutions to develop and operate an automated data exchange to accomplish the provisions of subsection (c) of this Code section.

(e) The department is authorized to designate a third-party agent to administer and operate the data exchange between the department and financial institutions provided for in subsection (d) of this Code section. Any data exchanged shall be protected as if it were confidential tax information and shall not be disclosed except as specifically authorized under this Code section. It shall be unlawful for any person to divulge confidential tax information in violation of this Code section and any such person shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the same penalties that would apply to an employee of the department convicted of divulging confidential tax information.

(f)(1) The department may impose a fine on any financial institution that fails to submit a report required pursuant to this Code section in the amount of $1,000.00, provided that:

(A) The department notifies the financial institution of its failure to submit a report by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested;

(B) Such financial institution fails to submit such report within 15 business days after the mailing of the notification provided for in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; and

(C) Such financial institution fails to present cause for such failure to the department that the department determines to be reasonable cause for such failure.

(2) The department may impose a fine on a financial institution in the amount of $1,000.00 if the department determines that a financial institution willfully provided false information with respect to any cause that such financial institution presents to the department for its failure to submit a report.

(g) The department may use the information received pursuant to this Code section only for the purpose of enforcing the collection of taxes and fees administered by the department. The department shall determine whether to levy upon accounts identified pursuant to this Code section and shall follow the levy process set forth in Code Section

48-2-55, subject to the rights and remedies of delinquent taxpayers provided for under Code Section 48-2-59 or other provisions of law, and the rights and remedies of financial institutions provided in Code Section 48-2-55 or other provisions of law.

(h) To the extent possible and in compliance with state and federal law, the department shall administer this Code section in the same manner as prescribed in Article 1 of Chapter 11 of Title 19 to avoid duplication and reduce the burden on financial institutions.

(i) Notwithstanding Code Section 7-1-360 or other provisions of law, a financial institution furnishing a report to the department or the department's designated agent under this Code section is prohibited from disclosing to any person, including the delinquent taxpayer, any information that has been received from or furnished to the department or the department's designated agent under this Code section. However, a financial institution may disclose to its depositors or account holders that the department has the authority to request certain identifying information on certain depositors or account holders pursuant to this Code section.

(j) A financial institution that complies with a request from the department by submitting a report to the department or the department's designated agent in accordance with this Code section shall not be liable to any person for:

(1) Disclosing information to the department or the department's designated agent under this Code section;

(2) Encumbering or surrendering any assets held by the financial institution in response to a notice of lien or levy issued by the department;

(3) Any error on the part of the department in connection with a notice of lien or levy issued by the department upon accounts identified pursuant to this Code section, including costs or fees charged to such accounts as a result of such error; or

(4) Other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of this Code section.

(k) Any financial records obtained pursuant to this Code section may be disclosed only for the purpose of, and to the extent necessary for, administration and enforcement of the tax laws of this state.

(l) The department may adopt rules establishing the procedures and requirements for conducting data matches with financial institutions pursuant to this Code section.

(m) The commissioner may institute civil proceedings to enforce this Code section."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 48-5-359.1, relating to contracts with the county tax commissioner to assess and collect municipal taxes and prepare the tax digest, by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

"(3)(A) This paragraph shall apply to any county which contains 14 or more municipalities, in whole or in part, within such county, and paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection shall not apply to such counties.

(B) Any county and any municipality wholly or partially located within such county may contract for the county tax commissioner to prepare the tax digest for such

municipality; to assess and collect municipal taxes in the same manner as county taxes; and, for the purpose of collecting such municipal taxes, to invoke any remedy permitted for collection of municipal taxes. Such contracts shall not be subject to the approval of any county tax commissioner. Any contract authorized by this subparagraph between the county governing authority and a municipality shall specify an amount to be paid by the municipality to the county which amount will substantially approximate the cost to the county of providing the service to the municipality, as well as the cost to the county of providing compensation to its tax commissioner, if any, with respect to providing such service. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, including paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection, the tax commissioner of any such county shall conduct such additional duties and responsibilities, and shall be authorized to accept, receive, and retain compensation to be determined and paid by the county for such additional duties and responsibilities in addition to that compensation provided by law to be paid to the tax commissioner by the county. Nothing in this subparagraph shall require a county to compensate the county tax commissioner for such additional duties and responsibilities."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 201.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |

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| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 47, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 201.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 466. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Williams of the 145th, Ridley of the 6th, Corbett of the 174th, Petrea of the 166th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 and Chapter 13 of Title 43 of the O.C.G.A., relating to drivers' licenses and driver training schools, respectively, so as to reduce the number of required hours in the intervention component of DUI Alcohol or Drug Use Risk Reduction Programs; to allow licensed driver training schools to conduct on-the-road testing; to provide for driving training requirements; to provide for waiver of certain fees; to provide for standards for examination of applicants by a driver training school; to provide for issuance of a license to driving school instructors to teach certain courses and perform driver's examinations; to provide for definitions and conforming changes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 567. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd, Jones of the 47th, Anulewicz of the 42nd, Dempsey of the 13th and Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to control of hazardous conditions, preventable diseases, and metabolic disorders, so as to revise provisions relating to newborn screening for various disorders; to create the Newborn Screening and Genetics Advisory Committee to review and make recommendations to the department when a new disorder is added to the federal Recommended Uniform Screening Panel; to provide for requests for appropriations to cover new disorders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 611. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, LaRiccia of the 169th, Stephens of the 164th, Werkheiser of the 157th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to small business assistance, so as to change the definition of small business; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 619. By Representative Houston of the 170th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 2 of Article 3 of Chapter 3 of Title 12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the heritage trust program, so as to authorize the sale of Patrick's Fishing Paradise to a private entity; to provide for a procedure for same; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 631. By Representatives Cheokas of the 138th, Newton of the 123rd, Kelley of the 16th, Lumsden of the 12th, Stephens of the 164th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 35-3-33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Crime Information Center, so as to provide for the development and operation of a system to voluntarily collect and disseminate information relating to conditions that may impede an individual's ability to communicate with law enforcement or emergency responders; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 676. By Representatives Houston of the 170th, Dickey of the 140th, England of the 116th, Gilliard of the 162nd, Williams of the 148th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 2 of the O.C.G.A., relating to agriculture, so as to create the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority; to amend Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Attorney General, so as to provide for the inclusion of the Georgia Farmers' Market and Produce Terminal Development Authority as a state authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 714. By Representative Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 8 of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to provisional and final

remedies and special proceedings, so as to revise and provide for new requirements under the Georgia Civil Practice Act for settlement offers and arrangements for tort claims for personal injury, bodily injury, and death; to amend Chapter 7 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to kinds of insurance, limits of risks, and reinsurance, so as to revise the liability of an insurer upon refusal to pay an insured for any loss pursuant to uninsured motorist coverage under motor vehicle liability policies; to revise a penalty; to provide for related matters; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 32. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Nix of the 69th, Hawkins of the 27th, Greene of the 151st, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 488. By Representatives Scoggins of the 14th, Kelley of the 16th, Leverett of the 33rd, Lumsden of the 12th, Gambill of the 15th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to courts, so as to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for the calculation of future increases in the minimum compensation for chief magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for other magistrates; to provide for an increase in the minimum compensation for clerks of magistrate courts; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House amendment to the Senate amendment was as follows:

The House offers the following amendment:

*Amend the Senate floor amendment 1 to HB 488 (LC 41 2931) by striking the language contained within such amendment in its entirety.*

Senator Payne of the 54th moved that the Senate agree to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to HB 488.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| C Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | C Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | C Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 48, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to HB 488.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 218. By Senators Walker III of the 20th, Dugan of the 30th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Miller of the 49th, Kennedy of the 18th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of office, so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 218:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding prosecuting attorneys, so as to create the Prosecuting Attorneys Oversight Commission; to provide for definitions; to provide for the powers, composition, appointment, and confirmation of such commission; to provide for commission members' terms, vacancies, and removals; to provide for procedures and confidentiality; to amend Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of office, so as to provide for the suspension of compensation for certain public officers who are suspended because of indictment for a felony; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding prosecuting attorneys, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"15-18-32.

(a) Pursuant to Article VI, Section VIII, Paragraph II of the Constitution of Georgia in reference to district attorneys and Article 3 of this chapter in reference to solicitors-general of state courts, there is hereby created the Prosecuting Attorneys Oversight Commission, which shall have the power to discipline, remove, and cause involuntary retirement of appointed or elected district attorneys or solicitors-general in accordance with such Paragraph. As used in this Code section, the term 'commission' means the Prosecuting Attorneys Oversight Commission.

(b) The commission shall consist of eight members.

(c)(1) The commission shall be divided into a five-member investigative panel and a three-member hearing panel.

(2) The investigative panel shall be responsible for:

(A) The investigative, prosecutorial, and administrative functions of the commission;

(B) Investigation of alleged conduct constituting grounds for discipline under subsection (h) of this Code section;

(C) The selection of an individual to serve as the director of the commission who shall be an active status member of the State Bar of Georgia and who shall not engage in the practice of law, other than to represent the commission; and

(D) Authorization of employment of such additional staff as the commission deems necessary to carry out the powers assigned to the commission.

(3) The hearing panel shall be responsible for:

(A) Adjudicating formal charges filed by the investigative panel;

(B) Issuing disciplinary and incapacity orders;

(C) Issuing formal advisory opinions on its own initiative or on the recommendation of the investigative panel regarding the grounds for discipline set forth under subsection (h) of this Code section; and

(D) Issuing standards on its own initiative or on the recommendation of the investigative panel. Any such standards shall elaborate, define, or provide context for the grounds for discipline as set forth in subsection (h) of this Code section.

(d)(1) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Attorney' means a lawyer who has been an active status member of the State Bar of Georgia for at least ten years and is a registered voter in this state.

(B) 'Citizen' means an individual who is neither an attorney nor a judge and who is a registered voter in this state.

(C) 'Judge' means an elected or appointed public official who presides over a court of record.

(2) The Prosecuting Attorneys' Council may recommend to the respective appointing authorities a list of the names of individuals for consideration to serve as attorney commission members.

(3)(A) The five members of the commission's investigative panel shall be appointed as follows:

(i) One attorney with prosecutorial experience shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve a term of four years; provided, however, that the initial appointment shall be for three years, and thereafter, successors to such member shall serve terms of four years;

(ii) One attorney with prosecutorial experience shall be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and shall serve a term of four years; provided, however, that the initial appointment shall be for two years, and thereafter, successors to such member shall serve terms of four years;

(iii) Two practicing attorneys shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives and each shall serve terms of four years; provided, however, that the initial appointment of one attorney member as designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be for four years and the initial appointment of the other attorney member as designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall be for one year, and thereafter, successors to such members shall serve terms of four years; and

(iv) One attorney with prosecutorial experience shall be appointed by the Senate Committee on Assignments and shall serve a term of four years; provided, however, that the initial appointment shall be for three years, and thereafter, successors to such member shall serve terms of four years.

(B) The investigative panel members shall annually elect a chairperson and vice

chairperson for such panel.

(4) The three members of the commission's hearing panel shall be appointed as follows:

(A) One citizen member shall be appointed by the Governor for a term of four years and his or her successors shall serve terms of four years;

(B) One district attorney shall be elected by vote of the Senate and shall be presiding officer of the hearing panel and shall serve a term of four years; provided, however, that the initial appointment shall be for one year, and thereafter, successors to such member shall serve terms of four years; and

(C) One former judge of the superior court or Court of Appeals or former Justice who shall have at least ten years of service as a judge or Justice shall be elected by vote of the House of Representatives and shall serve a term of four years; provided, however, that the initial appointment shall be for three years, and thereafter, successors to such member shall serve terms of four years.

(5) All members' initial terms shall begin on April 1, 2022; provided, however, that the initial term of a member under this paragraph shall not be construed as counting toward the limit of two full terms of service as provided for under paragraph (6) of this subsection.

(6) A commission member shall be eligible to serve so long as he or she retains his or her status as an attorney, citizen, or district attorney, but a vacancy shall be created by operation of law when he or she no longer has the designation for which he or she was appointed. Any vacancy for a member shall be filled by the appointing authority, and such appointee shall serve the balance of the vacating member's unexpired term; provided, however, that, if the appointing authority fails to fill a vacancy within 60 days of being notified of such vacancy by the commission, the Governor shall appoint a replacement member from the same category of member. Any member of the commission shall serve no more than two full terms.

(e) Members and staff of the hearing panel shall not engage in any ex parte communications regarding a disciplinary or incapacity matter of a district attorney or solicitor-general, including with members and staff of the investigative panel.

(f)(1) Each member of the commission shall be entitled to vote on any matter coming before his or her respective panel unless otherwise provided by rules adopted by the commission concerning recusal. The chairperson of the investigative panel and the presiding officer of the hearing panel shall retain a vote on all matters except those in which such chairperson or presiding officer has been recused. No commission member present at a panel meeting shall abstain from voting unless he or she is recused. The rules of the commission shall establish grounds for recusal and the process for allowing a temporary replacement of a commission member in such circumstance.

(2)(A) As used in this paragraph, the term 'for cause' shall include indictment for or conviction of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude; misconduct, malpractice, malfeasance, misfeasance, nonfeasance, or incapacity; failure to attend three or more panel meetings or hearings in a one-year period without good and

sufficient reason; or abstaining from voting, unless recused.

(B) Removal of a panel member for cause shall be by a unanimous vote of all members of the commission; provided, however, that the panel member who is the subject of the vote shall not vote.

(3) A quorum of the investigative panel shall require any three members of such panel.

(4)(A) Members of the commission shall serve without compensation but shall receive the same daily expense allowance as members of the General Assembly receive, as set forth in Code Section 28-1-8, for each day such member is in physical attendance at a panel meeting or hearing, plus either reimbursement for actual transportation costs while traveling by public transportation or the same mileage allowance for use of a personal motor vehicle in connection with such attendance as members of the General Assembly receive.

(B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, no member shall receive such expense allowance or travel reimbursement if he or she is entitled to receive an expense allowance, travel reimbursement, or salary for performance of duties as a state employee.

(C) Expense allowances and travel reimbursements shall be paid from moneys appropriated or otherwise available to the commission.

(g) The commission, with the assistance of the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of the State of Georgia, shall promulgate standards of conduct and rules for the commission's governance which will comport with due process and enforce the provisions of subsections (h) and (i) of this Code section; provided, however, that such standards and rules shall be effective only upon review and adoption by the Supreme Court. Such standards and rules shall allow for a full investigation of a district attorney or solicitor-general only upon majority vote of the investigative panel. When a commission member receives information relating to the conduct of a district attorney or solicitor-general, such member shall provide such information to the commission's director for appropriate action.

(h) The following shall be grounds for discipline of a district attorney or solicitor-general or for his or her removal or involuntary retirement from office:

(1) Mental or physical incapacity interfering with the performance of his or her duties which is, or is likely to become, permanent;

(2) Willful misconduct in office;

(3) Willful and persistent failure to perform his or her duties;

(4) Conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude;

(5) Conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice which brings the office into disrepute;

(6) Knowingly authorizing or permitting an assistant district attorney or assistant solicitor-general to commit any act constituting grounds for removal under paragraphs (1) through (5) of this subsection; or

(7) Violation of the Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Georgia, including, but not limited to, Rule 3.8 of the Georgia Rules of Professional

Conduct of the State Bar of Georgia regarding special responsibilities of a prosecutor.

(i)(1) In any complaint filed with the commission alleging a violation of subsection (h) and requesting an investigation of an elected or appointed district attorney or solicitor-general, the complainant shall be required to file with the commission a sworn affidavit detailing the personal knowledge of the facts supporting the complaint, including any interest the complainant may have in the outcome of the case. The complainant may attach documents to support the complaint. Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to limit the ability of the commission to bring a complaint pursuant to this Code section on its own motion.

(2) The commission may not entertain a complaint on the basis of a charging decision, plea offer, opposition to or grant of a continuance, placement of a case on a trial calendar, or recommendation regarding bond unless the affidavits and any documents attached to the complaint show it is plausible that the district attorney or solicitor-general made or knowingly authorized the decision based on:

(A) Undue bias or prejudice against the accused or in favor of persons with interests adverse to the accused;

(B) A lack of probable cause;

(C) An undisclosed financial interest in the outcome of the prosecution;

(D) An undisclosed conflict of interest;

(E) Factors that are completely unrelated to the duties of prosecution; or

(F) A stated policy, written or otherwise, which demonstrates that the district attorney or solicitor-general categorically refuses to prosecute any offense or offenses of which he or she is required by law to prosecute.

(j)(1) All information regarding a disciplinary or incapacity matter of a district attorney or solicitor-general shall be kept confidential by the investigative panel and commission staff before formal charges are filed; provided, however, that, if prior to filing formal charges such judge and investigative panel agree to a satisfactory disposition of a disciplinary matter other than by a private admonition or deferred discipline agreement, a report of such disposition shall be publicly filed in the Supreme Court.

(2) After the filing and service of formal charges:

(A) With respect to an incapacity matter of a district attorney or solicitor-general, all pleadings, information, hearings, and proceedings shall remain confidential; and

(B) With respect to a disciplinary matter of a district attorney or solicitor-general, all pleadings and information shall be subject to disclosure to the public, and all hearings and proceedings shall be open and available to the public, except to the extent that such pleadings and information or hearings and proceedings could be properly sealed or closed under Chapter 14 or Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 or by a court as provided by law.

(3) With respect to administrative and other matters, all records and information shall be subject to disclosure to the public, and all meetings, or portions thereof, shall be open and available to the public, except to the extent that such records, information, and meetings would:

(A) Disclose disciplinary matters of a district attorney or solicitor-general protected in paragraph (1) of this subsection;

(B) Disclose incapacity matters of a district attorney or solicitor-general protected in paragraph (1) or subparagraph (A) of paragraph (2) of this subsection;

(C) Be considered a matter subject to executive session, if the commission were considered to be an agency under Chapter 14 of Title 50; or

(D) Not be required to be publicly disclosed under Code Section 50-18-72, if the commission were considered to be an agency under Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50.

(4) The work product of the commission and its staff and the deliberations of the commission shall remain confidential.

(k) Notwithstanding subsection (j) of this Code section, information regarding a disciplinary or incapacity matter of a district attorney or solicitor-general may be disclosed or the confidentiality of such information may be removed when:

(1) The privilege of confidentiality has been waived by the individual who was the subject of the commission's investigation; or

(2) The commission's rules provide for disclosure:

(A) In the interest of justice and to protect the public;

(B) If an emergency situation exists; or

(C) If a district attorney or solicitor-general is under consideration for another state or federal position.

(l) Information submitted to the commission or its staff, and testimony given in any proceeding before the commission or one of its panels, shall be absolutely privileged, and no civil action predicated upon such information or testimony shall be instituted against any complainant, witness, or his or her counsel.

(m) A respondent who is subjected to public reprimand, censure, limitation on the performance of prosecutorial duties, suspension, retirement, or removal shall be entitled to a copy of the proposed record to be filed with the Supreme Court and, if the respondent has objections to it, to have the record settled by the hearing panel's presiding officer. The hearing panel's order in a disciplinary or incapacity matter may be reviewed by the Supreme Court in accordance with its rules and the rules of the commission.

(n) The commission shall commence by April 1, 2022, and the rules and regulations promulgated by such commission shall be established no later than April 1, 2023. No complaint shall be filed before July 1, 2023.

(o) The authority of the commission shall be limited to incapacity or discipline regarding the conduct of a district attorney or solicitor-general as a holder of such office. Nothing in this Code section shall be construed as diminishing the authority of the Supreme Court or the State Bar of Georgia to regulate the practice of law in this state."

**SECTION 2.**

Chapter 5 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to vacation of

office, is amended by revising Code Section 45-5-6, relating to public official investigated by special commission upon indictment, gubernatorial review if commission recommends suspension, suspension, reinstatement, and replacement or temporary officer, as follows:

"45-5-6.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'public official' means any elected county officer; any elected member of a county governing authority; any elected member of a city-county consolidated government; any member of a county, area, or independent board of education; any school superintendent of a county, area, or independent school system; any solicitor-general of a state court; any elected member of any municipal governing authority; any member of the Public Service Commission; and any district attorney.

(b) Upon indictment for a felony by a grand jury of this state or by the United States, which felony indictment relates to the performance or activities of the office of any public official, the Attorney General or district attorney shall transmit a certified copy of the indictment to the Governor who shall, subject to subsection (e) of this Code section, appoint a review commission. Except as provided in this subsection, the commission shall be composed of the Attorney General and two public officials who hold the same office as the individual indicted. The members of the commission shall receive no compensation for their services but shall be reimbursed for any expenses incurred in connection with the investigation. The funds necessary to conduct the investigation shall come from funds appropriated to the executive branch of government. If the Attorney General brings the indictment against the public official, the Attorney General shall not serve on the commission. In place of the Attorney General, the Governor shall appoint a retired Supreme Court Justice or a retired Court of Appeals Judge.

(c) Unless a longer period of time is granted by the Governor, the commission shall make a written report to the Governor within 14 days. If the commission determines that the indictment relates to and adversely affects the administration of the office of the indicted public official and that the rights and interests of the public are adversely affected thereby, the commission shall recommend that the public official be suspended from office. If, and only if, the commission recommends suspension, then the Governor shall review the findings and recommendations of the commission and may suspend the public officer from office immediately and without further action pending the final disposition of the case or until the expiration of his or her term of office, whichever occurs first. During the term of office to which such officer was elected and in which the indictment occurred, if a nolle prosequi is entered, if the public official is acquitted, or if after conviction the conviction is later overturned as a result of any direct appeal or application for a writ of certiorari, the public official shall be immediately reinstated to the office from which he or she was suspended. While a public official is suspended under this Code section ~~and until initial conviction by the trial court~~, the public official ~~shall continue to receive the compensation from his office. After initial conviction by the trial court, the public official~~ shall not be entitled to

receive the compensation from his or her office. If the public official is reinstated to office, he or she shall be entitled to receive any compensation withheld under the provisions of this Code section.

(d)(1) For the duration of any suspension of any elected member of any municipal or consolidated city-county governing authority under this Code section, a replacement officer for the public officer suspended shall be appointed as provided for in any general law, local law, ordinance, or resolution governing the filling of a temporary vacancy in the public office affected. For the duration of any suspension of any other public official under this Code section, a replacement officer for the public official shall be appointed as provided for in any applicable general or local law governing the filling of a temporary vacancy in the public office affected. If no such general law, local law, ordinance, or resolution governing the filling of a temporary vacancy is applicable, then the Governor shall appoint a replacement officer for the public official suspended.

(2) Upon the final conviction, the office of the public official shall be vacated immediately without further action. Said vacancy shall be filled in the manner provided by law for filling vacancies in such office.

(e) No commission shall be appointed for a period of 14 days from the day the Governor receives the indictment. This period may be extended by the Governor. During this period of time, the indicted public official may, in writing, authorize the Governor to suspend him or her from office. Any such voluntary suspension shall be subject to the same conditions for review, reinstatement, or declaration of vacancy as are provided in this Code section for nonvoluntary suspensions.

(f) After any suspension under this Code section, the suspended public official may petition the Governor for a review. The Governor may reappoint the commission to review the suspension. The commission shall make a written report in 14 days. If the commission recommends that the public official be reinstated, ~~he~~ such public official shall immediately be reinstated to office.

(g) The report and records of the commission and the fact that the public official has or has not been suspended shall not be admissible in evidence in any court for any purpose. The report and records of the commission shall not be open to the public.

(h) The provisions of this Code section shall not apply to any indictment handed down prior to January 1, 1985.

(i) If a public official who is suspended from office under the provisions of this Code section is not first tried at the next regular or special term following the indictment, the suspension shall be terminated and the public official shall be reinstated to office. The public official shall not be reinstated under this subsection if he or she is not so tried based on a continuance granted upon a motion made only by the defendant.

(j) Unless otherwise provided by local law, in the event the Governor appoints a member of a governing authority as a temporary replacement for a suspended public official under paragraph (1) of subsection (d) of this Code section, the governing authority, by majority vote, shall select a temporary replacement who is qualified by law to serve as such member of the governing authority, to fill such member's seat on

the governing authority until such time as the suspension of the public official is terminated or the end of such member's current term on the governing authority, whichever is earlier. Before selecting such temporary replacement, the governing authority shall advertise its intention to select such temporary replacement in the applicable legal organ at least once a week for two weeks and on the governing authority's website, if it has one, and shall solicit applicants for such temporary replacement position."

**SECTION 3.**

(a) This section and Section 1 of this Act shall become effective for purposes of appointing members of the commission upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval. Section 1 of this Act shall become effective for all other purposes on July 1, 2021.

(b) The remaining portions of this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on SB 218 pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Hatchett was excused.

Senator Walker III of the 20th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 218 as amended by the following amendment:

Senator Walker III of the 20th offered the following amendment #1:

*Amend the House Substitute to SB 218 (LC 28 0335S) by inserting after "*members*" on line 23 "*who shall be subject to confirmation by the Senate*".*

*By inserting after line 101 the following:*

(d.1)(1) The names of the appointees required by this Code section shall be submitted by the appointing authorities to the Senate no later than the third Monday in January. Any member appointed to the commission shall serve until the Senate confirms such appointee, and if an individual's name is not submitted by such deadline, he or she shall not be eligible for confirmation.

(2) If an appointee is not confirmed by the Senate, the appointing authority shall promptly submit another appointee's name, notwithstanding the deadline expressed in paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(3) If the Senate is not in session at the time an appointee's term begins or a vacancy is created, an appointee for such term or to fill such vacancy shall be effective until his or her name can be submitted to the Senate and his or her appointment can be confirmed at the next regular session.

*By striking "*judge*" on line 184 and inserting in lieu thereof "*district attorney or solicitor-general*".*

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | E Hatchett | N Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | E Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 24, nays 25; the motion lost, and the Senate did not agree to the House substitute to SB 218 as amended by the Senate.

Senator Walker III of the 20th asked unanimous consent that the Senate disagree to the House substitute to SB 218.

The consent was granted, and the Senate disagreed to the House substitute to SB 218.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bill and Resolutions of the House:

HR 130. By Representatives McDonald of the 26th, Jones of the 25th, Cantrell of the 22nd, Wade of the 9th and Gilligan of the 24th:

A RESOLUTION ratifying the action of the Board of Community Affairs approving of the transfer of Forsyth County from the Georgia Mountains Regional Commission to the Atlanta Regional Commission.

HR 142. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the lease of certain state owned property located in Baldwin County; authorizing the conveyance of and granting of easements on certain state owned real property located in Columbia County; authorizing the conveyance of certain state owned property in Hall County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HR 143. By Representatives Greene of the 151st, Pirkle of the 155th and Dunahoo of the 30th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, roads, and ingresses and egresses in, on, over, under, upon, across, or through property owned by the State of Georgia in Barrow, Bartow, Bibb, Camden, Chatham, Glynn, Harris, Macon, Montgomery, Murray, Paulding, Polk, Rabun, Talbot, Troup, Walton, Ware, and Washington Counties; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 759. By Representative Petrea of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the Town of Thunderbolt to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment to the House substitute to the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 59. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Payne of the 54th, Miller of the 49th, Gooch of the 51st, Hufstetler of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to provide for additional QBE funding for each full-time equivalent

student within a local charter school; to provide for a maximum amount of such funding available to each local charter school; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to revise a definition; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 292. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose income does not exceed $53,000.00; to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 305. By Senator Burke of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older and whose income, excluding certain retirement income, does not exceed $69,680.00; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 301. By Senator Dugan of the 30th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the City of Carrollton, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Georgia Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other

purposes.

Senator Jones II of the 22nd asked unanimous consent that HB 160, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 160, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 160. By Representatives Boddie of the 62nd, Dreyer of the 59th, Schofield of the 60th and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), so as to redefine the term "municipality"; to provide for audits of such tax by the state auditor under certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Halpern of the 39th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 160:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 4 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), so as to redefine the term "municipality"; to provide for audits of such tax by the state auditor under certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 4 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), is amended in Code Section 48-8-200, relating to definitions regarding water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), by revising paragraph (3) as follows:

"(3) 'Municipality' means:

(A) A ~~a~~ municipality in which the average waste-water flow of such municipality is not less than 85 million gallons per day; or

(B) A municipality that operates a waste-water system that interconnects with the waste-water system of a municipality that has an average waste-water flow that is

not less than 85 million gallons per day."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsection (b) of Code Section 48-8-212, relating to utilization of tax proceeds by municipality, record keeping, use for general obligation debt, as follows:

"(b)(1) The governing authority of the municipality shall maintain a record of each and every water and sewer project and cost for which the proceeds of the tax are used. In each annual audit a schedule shall be included which shows for each ongoing such project the original estimated cost, the current estimated cost if it is not the original estimated cost, amounts expended in prior years, and amounts expended in the current year. The auditor shall verify and test expenditures sufficient to provide assurances that the schedule is fairly presented in relation to the financial statements. The auditor's report on the financial statements shall include an opinion, or disclaimer of opinion, as to whether the schedule is presented fairly in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

(2) The Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, or the Lieutenant Governor may order, up to once each year, an independent and comprehensive audit of the tax imposed by this article to be conducted by the state auditor in a timely manner. The taxing jurisdiction under audit shall fully cooperate with the state auditor and provide all requested documents, records, or other relevant information. The results of such audit, regardless of who ordered the audit, shall be distributed to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Lieutenant Governor, and the municipality imposing the tax. This paragraph shall not be applicable to any municipality that conducts an independent audit, at least annually, that includes the tax imposed by this article, provided that any such independent audits are made available by such municipality to the state auditor for inspection upon his or her request."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | E Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | E Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| E Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| N Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| N Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | N Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | N Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 14.

HB 160, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following committee report was read by the Secretary:

Mr. President,

The Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations has had under consideration the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

HB 680 Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
Senator Anderson of the 24th District, Chairman

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 292. By Senator Parent of the 42nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes

for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose income does not exceed $53,000.00; to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for five years in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 292:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for tax years 2022 and 2023 in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose income does not exceed $53,000.00; to provide a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for tax years 2022 and 2023 in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

(a) As used in this Act, the term:

(1) "Ad valorem taxes for educational purposes" means all ad valorem taxes for educational purposes levied by, for, or on behalf of the City of Decatur independent school district, except for any ad valorem taxes to pay interest on and to retire independent school district bonded indebtedness.

(2) "Homestead" means homestead as defined and qualified in Code Section 48-5-40 of the O.C.G.A., as amended.

(3) "Income" means federal adjusted gross income determined pursuant to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, for federal income tax purposes.

(b)(1) Each resident of the City of Decatur independent school district who is between 65 and 69 years of age is granted an exemption on that person's homestead

from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of that homestead. The exemption under this subsection shall only be granted if that person's income, together with the income of the spouse and all other members of the family who also occupy and reside at such homestead, does not exceed $53,000.00 for the immediately preceding year. The value of that property in excess of such exempted amount shall remain subject to taxation.

(2) Each resident of the City of Decatur independent school district who is 70 years of age or older is granted an exemption on that person's homestead from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of that homestead. The value of that property in excess of such exempted amount shall remain subject to taxation.

(c) A person shall not receive the homestead exemption granted by subsection (b) of this section unless such person or person's agent files an application with the governing authority of the City of Decatur, or the designee thereof, giving such person's age, income, and such additional information relative to receiving such exemption as will enable the governing authority of the City of Decatur, or the designee thereof, to make a determination regarding the initial and continuing eligibility of such person for such exemption. The governing authority of the City of Decatur, or the designee thereof, shall provide application forms for this purpose.

(d) The exemption shall be claimed and returned as provided in Code Section 48-5-50.1 of the O.C.G.A., as amended. The exemption shall be automatically renewed from year to year as long as the person granted the homestead exemption under subsection (b) of this section occupies the residence as a homestead. After a person has filed the proper application as provided in subsection (c) of this section, it shall not be necessary to make application thereafter for any year, and the exemption shall continue to be allowed to such person. It shall be the duty of any person granted the homestead exemption under subsection (b) of this section to notify the governing authority of the City of Decatur, or the designee thereof, in the event that such person for any reason becomes ineligible for such exemption.

(e) The exemption granted by subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to or affect any state ad valorem taxes, county ad valorem taxes for county purposes, municipal ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes, or county school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes. The homestead exemption granted by subsection (b) of this section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of any other homestead exemption applicable to the City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes.

(f) The exemptions granted by subsection (b) of this section shall only apply to the taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022, and ending on or before December 31, 2023.

**SECTION 2.**

In accordance with the requirements of Article VII, Section II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, this Act shall not become law unless it receives the requisite two-thirds'

majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

**SECTION 3.**

The municipal election superintendent of the City of Decatur shall call and conduct an election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the City of Decatur independent school district for approval or rejection. The municipal election superintendent shall conduct that election on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 2021, and shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided by general law. The municipal election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of DeKalb County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"( ) YES Shall the Act be approved which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for
( ) NO educational purposes for tax years 2022 and 2023 in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are between 65 and 69 years of age and whose federal adjusted gross income, as well as the federal adjusted gross income of the spouse of such resident and all other members of the family who also reside at such homestead, does not exceed $53,000.00 and which provides a homestead exemption from City of Decatur independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for tax years 2022 and 2023 in the amount of $200,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older regardless of income?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the Act, Section 1 of this Act shall become of full force and effect on January 1, 2022. If the Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective, and this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following that election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by the City of Decatur. It shall be the municipal election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

**SECTION 4.**

Except as otherwise provided in Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Parent of the 42nd moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 292.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 292.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 305. By Senator Burke of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes for the full amount of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older and whose income, excluding certain retirement income, does not exceed $69,680.00; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 305:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To provide a homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $150,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for five years for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older; to provide a homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $300,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for five years for residents of that school district who are 80 years of age or older; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

(a) As used in this Act, the term:

(1) "Ad valorem taxes for educational purposes" means all ad valorem taxes for educational purposes levied by, for, or on behalf of the Early County school district, except for any ad valorem taxes to pay interest on and to retire county school district bonded indebtedness.

(2) "Homestead" means homestead as defined and qualified in Code Section 48-5-40 of the O.C.G.A., as amended, with the additional qualification that it shall include not more than five contiguous acres of homestead property.

(b)(1) Each resident of the Early County school district who is at least 70 years of age but not yet 80 years of age on January 1 of the year in which application for the exemption is made is granted an exemption on that person's homestead from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $150,000.00 of the assessed value of that homestead. The value of that property in excess of such exempted amount shall remain subject to taxation.

(2) Each resident of the Early County school district who is at least 80 years of age or older on January 1 of the year in which application for the exemption is made is granted an exemption on that person's homestead from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $300,000.00 of the assessed value of that homestead. The value of that property in excess of such exempted amount shall remain subject to taxation.

(c) A person shall not receive a homestead exemption granted by subsection (b) of this section unless such person or person's agent files an application with the tax commissioner of Early County, giving such person's age, income, and such additional information relative to receiving such exemption as will enable the tax commissioner of

Early County to make a determination regarding the initial and continuing eligibility of such person for such exemption. The tax commissioner of Early County shall provide application forms for this purpose.

(d) The exemption shall be claimed and returned as provided in Code Section 48-5-50.1 of the O.C.G.A., as amended. The exemption shall be automatically renewed from year to year as long as the person granted the homestead exemption under subsection (b) of this section occupies the residence as a homestead. After a person has filed the proper application as provided in subsection (c) of this section, it shall not be necessary to make application thereafter for any year, and the exemption shall continue to be allowed to such person. It shall be the duty of any person granted the homestead exemption under subsection (b) of this section to notify the tax commissioner of Early County in the event that such person for any reason becomes ineligible for such exemption.

(e) The exemptions granted by subsection (b) of this section shall not apply to or affect any state ad valorem taxes, county ad valorem taxes for county purposes, municipal ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes, or independent school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes. The homestead exemptions granted by subsection (b) of this section shall be in lieu of and not in addition to any other homestead exemption applicable to Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes.

(f) The exemptions granted by subsection (b) of this section shall apply to all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022 and ending on or before December 1, 2026.

**SECTION 2.**

In accordance with the requirements of Article VII, Section II of the Constitution of the State of Georgia, this Act shall not become law unless it receives the requisite two-thirds' majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

**SECTION 3.**

The election superintendent of Early County shall call and conduct an election as provided in this section for the purpose of submitting this Act to the electors of the Early County school district for approval or rejection. The election superintendent shall conduct that election on the Tuesday following the first Monday in November, 2021, and shall issue the call and conduct that election as provided by general law. The election superintendent shall cause the date and purpose of the election to be published once a week for two weeks immediately preceding the date thereof in the official organ of Early County. The ballot shall have written or printed thereon the words:

"( ) YES Shall the Act be approved which provides a five-year homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for
( ) NO educational purposes in the amount of $150,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older and which provides a five-year homestead exemption from Early County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of $300,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for

residents of that school district who are 80 years of age or older?"

All persons desiring to vote for approval of the Act shall vote "Yes," and all persons desiring to vote for rejection of the Act shall vote "No." If more than one-half of the votes cast on such question are for approval of the Act, Section 1 of this Act shall become of full force and effect on January 1, 2022. If the Act is not so approved or if the election is not conducted as provided in this section, Section 1 of this Act shall not become effective, and this Act shall be automatically repealed on the first day of January immediately following that election date. The expense of such election shall be borne by Early County. It shall be the election superintendent's duty to certify the result thereof to the Secretary of State.

**SECTION 4.**

Except as otherwise provided in Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Burke of the 11th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 305.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | E Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 47, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 305.

Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd asked unanimous consent that HB 591, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 591, having been taken from the Table, was put upon its passage.

HB 591. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Buckner of the 137th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, so as to authorize marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians, psychologists, and others are authorized to perform regarding emergency examinations of persons for involuntary evaluation and treatment for mental illness or alcohol or drug abuse; to define certain terms; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Kirkpatrick of the 32nd.

The Senate Committee on Rules offered the following substitute to HB 591:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, so as to authorize marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians, psychologists, and others are authorized to perform regarding emergency examinations of persons for involuntary evaluation and treatment for mental illness or alcohol or drug abuse; to define certain terms; to provide for reporting requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, is amended by revising Code Section 37-3-40, relating to designation by department of emergency receiving facilities, as follows:

"37-3-40.

(a) Any state owned and state operated facility may be designated by the department as an emergency receiving facility. The department shall maintain an emergency receiving facility at each Georgia regional hospital which shall accept, under Code Sections 37-3-41 through 37-3-44, patients found in any county in the service region of the hospital. Any other facility within the State of Georgia may be so designated by the

department at the request of or with the consent of the governing officers of the facility.

(b) No later than January 15, 2023, any emergency receiving facility designated under this Code section shall report to the department de-identified, aggregated data with the total number of:

(1) Certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by county issued under subsection (a) of Code Section 37-3-41;

(2) Such certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by each type of licensed professional authorized under Code Section 37-3-41;

(3) Individuals examined in each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department in accordance with subsection (a) of Code Section 37-3-41; and

(4) Individuals admitted to each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department following an examination in accordance with subsection (a) of Code Section 37-3-41.

(c) The frequency of the reporting requirement required by subsection (b) of this Code section shall be determined by the department no later than December 31, 2021.

(d) Failure to submit the information required by subsection (b) of this Code section as directed by the department shall result in the suspension of a facility's designation as an emergency receiving facility until the required reports are submitted to the department."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (d) of, and adding a new subsection to, Code Section 37-3-41, relating to emergency admission of a person for involuntary evaluation of mental illness, as follows:

"(d) Any psychologist, clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, or clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health may perform any act specified by this Code section to be performed by a physician. Any reference in any part of this chapter to a physician acting under this Code section shall be deemed to refer equally to a psychologist, a clinical social worker, a licensed professional counselor, a marriage and family therapist, or a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health acting under this Code section. For purposes of this Code section, the term 'psychologist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed psychologist; the term 'clinical social worker' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed clinical social worker; the term 'licensed professional counselor' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed professional counselor; the term 'marriage and family therapist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed marriage and family therapist; and the term 'clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a registered professional nurse and who is recognized by the Georgia Board of Nursing to be engaged in advanced nursing practice as a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health.

(e) No later than February 15, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department shall prepare a report with de-identified, aggregated data from the written reports required by

subsection (b) of Code Section 37-3-40 to the General Assembly, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives during each regular legislative session. The annual report shall include the following data from the previous calendar year:

(1) The total number of certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by county from which the certificate was issued;

(2) The total number of certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by each type of licensed professional authorized by this Code section;

(3) The total number of individuals examined in each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section; and

(4) The total number of individuals admitted to each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department following an examination in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 37-7-40, relating to designation by department of emergency receiving facilities, as follows:

37-7-40.

(a) Any state owned or state operated facility may be designated by the department as an emergency receiving facility. The department shall maintain an emergency receiving facility at each Georgia regional hospital which shall accept, under Code Sections 37-7-41 through 37-7-44, patients found in any county in the service region of the hospital. Any other facility within the State of Georgia may be so designated by the department at the request of or with the consent of the governing officers of the facility.

(b) No later than January 15, 2023, any emergency receiving facility designated under this Code section shall report to the department de-identified, aggregated data with the total number of:

(1) Certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by county issued under subsection (a) of Code Section 37-7-41;

(2) Such certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by each type of licensed professional authorized under Code Section 37-7-41;

(3) Individuals examined in each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department in accordance with subsection (a) of Code Section 37-7-41; and

(4) Individuals admitted to each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department following an examination in accordance with subsection (a) of Code Section 37-7-41.

(c) The frequency of the reporting requirement required by subsection (b) of this Code section shall be determined by the department no later than December 31, 2021.

(d) Failure to submit the information required by subsection (b) of this Code section as directed by the department shall result in the suspension of a facility's designation as an emergency receiving facility until the required reports are submitted to the department."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsection (d) of, and adding a new subsection to, Code Section 37-7-41, relating to emergency involuntary treatment of an alcoholic, a drug abuser, or a drug dependent individual, as follows:

"(d) Any psychologist, clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor, marriage and family therapist, or clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health may perform any act specified by this Code section to be performed by a physician. Any reference in any part of this chapter to a physician acting under this Code section shall be deemed to refer equally to a psychologist, a clinical social worker, a licensed professional counselor, a marriage and family therapist, or a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health acting under this Code section. For purposes of this Code section, the term 'psychologist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed psychologist; the term 'clinical social worker' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed clinical social worker; the term 'licensed professional counselor' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed professional counselor; the term 'marriage and family therapist' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a licensed marriage and family therapist; and the term 'clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health' means any person authorized under the laws of this state to practice as a registered professional nurse and who is recognized by the Georgia Board of Nursing to be engaged in advanced nursing practice as a clinical nurse specialist in psychiatric/mental health.

(e) No later than February 15, 2023, and annually thereafter, the department shall prepare a report with de-identified, aggregated data from the written reports required by subsection (b) of Code Section 37-7-40 to the General Assembly, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives during each regular legislative session. The annual report shall include the following data from the previous calendar year:

(1) The total number of certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by county from which the certificate was issued;

(2) The total number of certificates received at the emergency receiving facility by each type of licensed professional authorized by this Code section;

(3) The total number of individuals examined in each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section; and

(4) The total number of individuals admitted to each emergency receiving facility designated or utilized by the department following an examination in accordance with subsection (a) of this Code section."

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute

was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | N Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | N Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | E Jordan | N Thompson |
| E Dugan | Y Kennedy | N Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 35, nays 14.

HB 591, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following communication was received by the Secretary of the Senate:

3/31/21

I inadvertently voted no on 591. Please reflect in the Journal that my intent was to vote yes.

/s/ Miller of the 49th

At 9:52 p.m., the President announced that the Senate would stand at ease until 10:07 p.m.

At 10:17 p.m., the President called the Senate to order.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 20. By Senators Payne of the 54th, Mullis of the 53rd, Strickland of the 17th, Parent of the 42nd, Cowsert of the 46th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 11 of Chapter 11 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Georgia Child Advocate for the Protection of Children Act," so as to revise the composition of the Child Advocate Advisory Committee; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 120. By Senators Tippins of the 37th, Kennedy of the 18th, Cowsert of the 46th, Jones II of the 22nd, Tillery of the 19th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 18 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to solicitors-general of state courts, so as to provide for the honorary office of solicitor-general emeritus; to provide for qualifications; to provide for certificate; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 174. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Walker III of the 20th, Cowsert of the 46th and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding bonds and recognizances, so as to authorize appointed judges who are fulfilling a vacancy of an elected judge to issue an unsecured judicial release under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 617. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Rhodes of the 120th, Fleming of the 121st, Smyre of the 135th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education, so as to provide that student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs at postsecondary educational institutions may receive compensation for the use of the student athlete's name, image, or likeness; to provide for application to intercollegiate athletic associations; to allow for professional representation of such student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics; to provide for findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 334. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Jones of the 25th, Leverett of the 33rd, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 and Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to recording of deeds and other real property transactions and inspection of public records; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bills of the Senate:

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to

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

SB 164. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Orrock of the 36th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-11-471, Title 16, and Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, crimes and offenses, and who may perform HIV tests, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of HIV related laws to align with science to ensure that laws and policies support current understanding of best public health practices for preventing and treating HIV, scientific evidence about routes of transmission, and the public health goals of promoting HIV prevention and treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider the Conference Committee Report thereto:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Conference Committee Report was as follows:

The Committees of Conference on SB 6 recommend that both the Senate and the House of Representatives recede from their positions and that the attached Committee of Conference Substitute to SB 6 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

| FOR THE SENATE: | FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: |
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| /s/ Senator Albers of the 56th | /s/ Representative Blackmon of the 146th |
| /s/ Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd | /s/ Representative Burns of the 159th |
| /s/ Senator Watson of the 1st | /s/ Representative Williamson of the 115th |

COMMITTEES OF CONFERENCE SUBSTITUTE TO SB 6

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, so as to provide for economic analyses to be conducted for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for a tax credit for medical equipment and supplies manufacturers and pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturers; to provide for definitions; to provide for conditions and limitations on certain tax credits; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to change jobs limits and revise the requirements for such tax credit for certain projects; to provide for tax credits for high-impact aerospace defense projects; to revise a job tax credit; to allow such tax credit to be taken in conjunction with certain other tax credits; to revise a manufacturing tax credit; to provide for reporting; to amend Code Section 48-7-40.34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for Class III railroads and reporting, so as to extend an income tax credit for expenditures on the maintenance of railroad track owned or leased by Class III railroads; to amend Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, so as to extend the sunset date for the exemption for projects of regional significance; to exempt sales of tickets, fees, or charges for admission to certain fine arts performances or exhibitions from sales and use taxes; to provide for automatic repeal; to renew a sales tax exemption for maintenance and replacement parts used in machinery or equipment that is used to mix, agitate, and transport freshly mixed concrete; to extend the sunset provision for an exemption for sales taxes on certain tangible personal property sold or used to maintain, refit, or repair a boat during a single event; to revise certain tax credits for the rehabilitation of historic structures; to revise the aggregate cap; to provide for definitions; to repeal Section 2 of Ga. L. 2015, p. 1340, approved May 12, 2015; to revise a limitation on business enterprises eligible for a tax credit for research and development; to revise an exemption for the sale or lease of certain computer equipment; to provide for clarification, with respect to a sales tax exemption for certain computer equipment, that the exclusion for telephone central office equipment or other voice data transport technology in subdivision (68)(C)(ii)(I) of Code Section 48-8-3, which became effective October 1, 2002, includes any wireline or wireless telecommunication system; to provide for reporting; to

provide for an automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for short titles; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**
**SECTION 1-1.**

Part I of this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Tax Credit Return on Investment Act of 2021." Parts II through IV of this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Economic Renewal Act of 2021." Part V of this Act shall be known and may be cited as the "Georgia Economic Recovery Act of 2021."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the General Assembly, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"28-5-41.1.

(a) An economic analysis shall include, but not be limited to, a good faith estimate as a result of the law or proposed law, on an annual basis for five years thereafter, of the following, on both a direct and indirect basis:

(1) Net change in state revenue;

(2) Net change in state expenditures, which shall include, but not be limited to, costs of administering the bill;

(3) Net change in economic activity; and

(4) If applicable, any net change in public benefit.

(b) On or before May 1 of each year, the chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the chairperson of the Senate Finance Committee may each request up to five economic analyses, which requests shall be transmitted to the Department of Audits and Accounts. The Department of Audits and Accounts shall contract with one or more independent auditors to complete all such analyses on or before December 1 of the year in which such analysis was requested. Each such request shall be limited to one existing provision of law or proposed law and shall specify one particular exemption, exclusion, or deduction from the base of a tax; credit against a tax; deferral of a tax; a rebate of taxes paid; tax abatement; or preferential tax rate to be analyzed.

(c) Copies of each completed economic analysis shall be provided to the House Budget and Research Office and the Senate Budget and Evaluation Office.

(d) If a fiscal note is requested pursuant to Code Section 28-5-42 and a relevant economic analysis has been conducted within one year of such request, the Office of Planning and Budget may prepare a summary of such economic analysis and attach it with the requested fiscal note.

(e) An economic analysis shall be conducted on the performance and outcomes of Code Section 33-1-25, which shall be completed by December 1, 2021."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"48-7-40.1B.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Establishment' means an economic unit at a single physical location where business is conducted or where services or industrial operations are performed.

(2) 'Medical equipment and supplies manufacturer' means any business which is engaged in the manufacturing of medical equipment and supplies in this state. Such term shall be limited to establishments classified under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Code 3391 - Medical Equipment and Supplies Manufacturing. Such term shall not include retail businesses that sell medical equipment or supplies.

(3) 'Pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer' means any business which is engaged in the manufacturing of pharmaceuticals or medicine in this state. Such term shall be limited to establishments classified under the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Industry Code 3254 - Pharmaceutical and Medicine Manufacturing. Such term shall not include retail businesses that sell pharmaceuticals or medicine.

(b)(1) When any medical equipment and supplies manufacturer or pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer is qualified to claim a job tax credit pursuant to Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1, for a qualifying job created on or after July 1, 2021, there shall be allowed an additional $1,250.00 per job tax credit against the tax imposed under this article for those qualifying jobs to the extent that they are engaged in the qualifying activities of manufacturing medical equipment or supplies or manufacturing pharmaceuticals or medicine in this state during the taxable year. Such medical equipment and supplies manufacturer or pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer shall be eligible for such additional per job tax credit at an individual establishment of the business. If more than one business activity is conducted at an establishment, then only the jobs engaged in the qualifying activities of manufacturing medical equipment or supplies or manufacturing pharmaceuticals or medicine in this state shall be eligible for such additional per job tax credit.

(2) The additional tax credit provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be claimed separately from the job tax credit under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but shall, except as provided in this Code section, be allowed subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 and shall be in addition to the credit allowed under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1; provided, however, that the amount allowed to offset taxes imposed by this article shall be 100 percent; and provided, further, that when such tax credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for taxes imposed by this article in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103 in the same manner as provided under Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 but

not subject to the dollar limitations provided therein. Additionally, such tax credit shall be disallowed during any year in which a business enterprise does not qualify as a medical equipment and supplies manufacturer or as a pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturer.

(3) The additional tax credit provided for in paragraph (1) of this subsection may be used in conjunction with the tax credit provided for under Code Section 48-7-40.15.

(c) The additional tax credit provided for under paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) Any tax credit claimed under subsection (b) of this Code section but not used in any taxable year may be carried forward for ten years from the close of the taxable year in which the qualified jobs were established; and

(2) No taxpayer shall be eligible for the tax credit provided for under subsection (b) of this Code section for any job for which the taxpayer claims the tax credit provided for under Code Section 48-7-40.1A, or for any job claimed pursuant to Code Section 48-7-40 or 48-7-40.1 prior to July 1, 2021.

(d) This Code section shall be effective as of July 1, 2021, and shall be applicable to taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2021."

**SECTION 2-2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 48-7-40.1A, relating to job tax credit for PPE manufacturers, by adding a new paragraph to subsection (c) to read as follows:

"(3) No taxpayer shall be eligible for the tax credit provided for under subsection (b) of this Code section for any job for which the taxpayer claims the tax credit provided for under Code Section 48-7-40.1B."

**SECTION 2-3.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (g), (i), and (p) of Code Section 48-7-40.24, relating to conditions for taking job tax credit by business enterprises and calculating credit, as follows:

"(g) To qualify for the credit provided by this Code section, a new full-time job must be created by the close of the seventh taxable year following the business enterprise's withholding start date, unless the purchase or acquisition of qualified investment property is made as provided in paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section, in which case a new full-time job must be created by the close of the eighth taxable year following the business enterprise's withholding start date based on a $600 million qualified investment or the end of the tenth taxable year based on an $800 million qualified investment. ~~In no event may a credit be claimed under this Code section for more than 4,500 new full-time employee jobs created by any one project; provided, however, that the taxpayer may claim the credits provided by Code Sections 48-7-40 and 48-7-40.1 for any such additional jobs if the taxpayer meets the terms and conditions thereof.~~"

"(i)(1) Except as provided in subsection (g) of this Code section and paragraph (2) of this subsection, a taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits provided by this Code section for a qualified project shall not be allowed to take any of the credits authorized

by Code Section 48-7-40, 48-7-40.1, 48-7-40.2, 48-7-40.3, 48-7-40.4, 48-7-40.6, 48-7-40.7, 48-7-40.8, 48-7-40.9, 48-7-40.10, ~~48-7-40.11,~~ 48-7-40.15, 48-7-40.17, or 48-7-40.18 for jobs, investments, child care, or ground-water usage shifts created by, arising from, related to, or connected in any way with the same project. Provided such taxpayer otherwise qualifies, such taxpayer may take any credit authorized by Code Section 48-7-40.5 for the costs of retraining an employee located at the site or sites of such project or the facility or facilities resulting therefrom, but only for costs incurred more than five years after the date the facility or facilities first become operational.

(2) On and after July 1, 2021, a taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits authorized by this Code section for a high-impact aerospace defense project as such term is defined in Code Section 48-7-40.25 may also take the credits authorized by Code Section 48-7-40.17 for such project; provided, however, that the taxpayer may not take the credits authorized by this Code section and Code Section 48-7-40.17 with respect to such project in the same taxable year."

"(p) Any taxpayer whose qualified project is certified on or after June 30, 2021, pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section that subsequently claims the tax credit available under subsection (d) of this Code section in connection with the qualified project shall report annually to a panel composed of the commissioner of community affairs, the commissioner of economic development, and the director of the Office of Planning and Budget, the total number of such taxpayer's full-time employees working at the qualified project and the total amount of qualified investment property made into the qualified project. Such reports shall be due by December 31 of each year. This annual reporting requirement will extend through the end of the recapture period as defined in paragraph (13) of subsection (a) of this Code section.

(q) Notwithstanding Code Sections 48-2-15, 48-7-60, and 48-7-61, such panel shall compile the annual reports provided pursuant to paragraph (p) of this Code section, and beginning June 30, 2026, and every two years thereafter, shall furnish a compiled report to the chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the chairperson of the Senate Finance Committee. Such compiled report shall aggregate the annual reports supplied by taxpayers whose qualified projects are subject to the reporting requirement in subsection (p) of this Code section.

(r) The commissioner shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer this Code section."

**SECTION 2-4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 48-7-40.25, relating to conditions for credit for business enterprises with existing manufacturing facilities and calculating credit, as follows:

"48-7-40.25.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Business enterprise' means any business or the headquarters of any such business which is engaged in manufacturing. Such term shall not include retail businesses.

(2) 'Force majeure' means any:

(A) Explosions, implosions, fire, conflagrations, accidents, or contamination;

(B) Unusual and unforeseeable weather conditions such as floods, torrential rain, hail, tornadoes, hurricanes, lightning, or other natural calamities or acts of God;

(C) Acts of war (whether or not declared), carnage, blockade, or embargo;

(D) Acts of public enemy, acts or threats of terrorism or threats from terrorists, riot, public disorder, or violent demonstrations;

(E) Strikes or other labor disturbances; or

(F) Expropriation, requisition, confiscation, impoundment, seizure, nationalization, or compulsory acquisition of the site of a qualified project or any part thereof;

but such term shall not include any event or circumstance that could have been prevented, overcome, or remedied in whole or in part by the taxpayer through the exercise of reasonable diligence and due care, nor shall such term include the unavailability of funds.

(3) 'Full-time employee' means an individual holding a full-time employee job.

(4) 'Full-time employee job' and 'full-time job' mean employment of an individual which:

(A)(i) With respect to a qualified project, is ~~Is~~ located in this state at the manufacturing facility resulting from such ~~a~~ qualified project; and

(ii) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section on or after July 1, 2021, is located in this state and results from such project;

(B) Involves a regular work week of 35 hours or more;

(C) Has no predetermined end date; and

(D) Pays at or above the average wage of the county with the lowest average wage in the state, as reported in the most recently available annual issue of the Georgia Employment and Wages Averages Report of the Department of Labor.

For purposes of this paragraph, leased employees will be considered employees of the company using their services, and such persons may be counted in determining the company's credits under this Code section if their employment otherwise meets the definition of full-time job contained herein. In addition, an individual's employment shall not be deemed to have a predetermined end date solely by virtue of a mandatory retirement age set forth in a company policy of general application. The employment of any individual in a bona fide executive, administrative, or professional capacity, within the meaning of Section 13 of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended, 29 U.S.C. Section 213(a)(1), as such act existed on January 1, 2002, shall not be deemed to have a predetermined end date solely by virtue of the fact that such employment is pursuant to a fixed-term contract, provided that such contract is for a term of not less than one year.

(4.1) 'High-impact aerospace defense project' means a qualified project with the additional limitations that it is:

(A) To be constructed by a business enterprise that is a prime aerospace defense contractor with greater than 40 percent of its revenues derived from sales to the United States government in its most recently completed tax year; and

(B) Certified by the commissioner of economic development as materially supportive of the mission of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission and the Governor's Defense Initiative. In making such a certification, the commissioner shall consider whether the project will support the goals of the Georgia Joint Defense Commission set forth in paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of Code Section 20-4-121.

(5) 'Investment requirement' means the requirement that:

(A) With respect to a qualified project, a minimum of $800 million in qualified investment property shall have been purchased or acquired for use in such ~~a~~ qualified project and be in service~~.~~; or

(B) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section on or after July 1, 2021, a minimum of $500 million in qualified investment property shall have been purchased or acquired for use in such project and be in service.

(6) 'Job maintenance requirement' means the requirement that the monthly average number of full-time employees employed by the business enterprise during the first 60 months of the recapture period must equal or exceed 90 percent of the job requirement.

(7) 'Job requirement' means the requirement that:

(A) With respect to a qualified project, the number of full-time employees must equal or exceed 1,800~~.~~; or

(B) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section on or after July 1, 2021, the number of full-time employees must equal or exceed 1,000.

(8) 'Qualified investment property' means all real and personal property purchased or acquired by a taxpayer for use in a qualified project, including, but not limited to, amounts expended on land acquisition, improvements, buildings, building improvements, and machinery and equipment to be used in the manufacturing facility.

(9) 'Qualified project' means the construction of a new manufacturing facility in this state. For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'manufacturing facility' means a single facility, including contiguous parcels of land, improvements to such land, buildings, building improvements, and any machinery or equipment that is used in the process of making, fabricating, constructing, forming, or assembling a product from components or from raw, unfinished, or semifinished materials, and any support facility. For purposes of this paragraph, the term 'support facility' means any warehouses, distribution centers, storage facilities, research and development facilities, laboratories, repair and maintenance facilities, corporate offices, sales or marketing offices, computer operations facilities, or administrative offices that are contiguous to the manufacturing facility that results from a qualified project, constructed or expanded as part of the same such project, and designed primarily for activities supporting the manufacturing operations at such manufacturing facility.

(10) 'Recapture period' means the period of ten consecutive taxable years that commences after the taxable year in which the taxpayer has met both the investment requirement and the job requirement.

(b) A business enterprise that has operated an existing manufacturing facility in this state for the immediately three preceding years and that is planning a qualified project shall be allowed to take the credit provided by this Code section under the following conditions:

(1) An application is filed with the commissioner that:

(A) Describes the qualified project to be undertaken by the business enterprise, including when such project will commence;

(B) Certifies that such project will meet the investment requirement and the job requirement prescribed by this Code section, stating when the business enterprise expects to meet such requirements; ~~and~~

(C) With respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project, certifies that the taxpayer will purchase or acquire a minimum of $800 million in qualified investment property and will employ at least 1,800 full-time employees, stating when the business enterprise expects to meet such requirements; and

~~(C)~~(D) Certifies that during the recapture period applicable to such project the business enterprise will meet the job maintenance requirement prescribed by this Code section; and

(2) Following the commissioner's referral of the application to a panel composed of the commissioner of community affairs, the commissioner of economic development, and the director of the Office of Planning and Budget, said panel, after reviewing the application, certifies that the new facility will have a significant beneficial economic effect on the region for which it is planned. The panel shall make its determination within 30 days after receipt from the commissioner of the taxpayer's application and any necessary supporting documentation. Although the panel's certification may be based upon other criteria, a project that meets the minimum job and investment requirements specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection will have a significant beneficial economic effect on the region for which it is planned if one of the following additional criteria is met:

(A) The full-time employee jobs ~~that will be located at the manufacturing facility~~ resulting from such project will pay average wages that are, as determined by the Georgia Department of Labor for all jobs, for the county in question:

(i) Twenty percent above such average wage for projects located in tier 1 counties;

(ii) Ten percent above such average wage for projects located in tier 2 counties; or

(iii) Five percent above such average wage for projects located in tier 3 or tier 4 counties; or

(B) The project demonstrates high growth potential based upon the prior year's Georgia net taxable income growth of over 20 percent from the previous year, if the taxpayer's Georgia net taxable income in each of the two preceding years also grew by 20 percent or more.

(c) Any lease for a period of five years or longer of any real or personal property used in a new manufacturing facility which would otherwise constitute qualified investment property shall be treated as the purchase or acquisition thereof by the lessee. The taxpayer may treat the full value of the leased property as qualified investment property in the year in which the lease becomes binding on the lessor and the taxpayer.

(d) A business enterprise whose application is approved shall be allowed a credit against the tax imposed under this article in an amount equal to 6 percent of the cost of all qualified investment property purchased or acquired by the business enterprise in such year, subject to the conditions and limitations set forth in this Code section. Where the amount of such credit exceeds a business enterprise's liability for such taxes in a taxable year, the excess may be taken as a credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103. The taxpayer may file an election with the commissioner to take such credit against quarterly or monthly payments under Code Section 48-7-103 that become due before the due date of the income tax return on which such credit may be claimed. In the event of such an election, the commissioner shall confirm with the taxpayer a date, which shall not be later than 30 days after receipt of the taxpayer's election, when the taxpayer may begin to take the credit against such quarterly or monthly payments. Each employee whose employer receives credit against such business enterprise's quarterly or monthly payment under Code Section 48-7-103 shall receive credit against his or her income tax liability under Code Section 48-7-20 for the corresponding taxable year for the full amount which would be credited against such liability prior to the application of the credit provided for in this subsection. Credits against quarterly or monthly payments under Code Section 48-7-103 and credits against liability under Code Section 48-7-20 established by this subsection shall not constitute income to the taxpayer.

(e) The credit granted under subsection (d) of this Code section shall be subject to the following conditions and limitations:

(1) In order to qualify as a basis for the credit, the investment in qualified investment property must occur no sooner than ~~April 1, 2003~~ the date of application by the taxpayer for the qualified project pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section. The credit may be taken beginning with the taxable year in which the taxpayer has met both the investment requirement and the job requirement, and for such first year the credit may include qualified investment property purchased or acquired in prior years but after ~~March 31, 2003~~ the date of application by the taxpayer for the qualified project pursuant to paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section. For each year in which a taxpayer claims the credit, the taxpayer shall attach a schedule to the taxpayer's Georgia income tax return which will set forth the following information, as a minimum:

(A) A description of the qualified project;

(B) The amount of qualified investment property acquired during the taxable year;

(C) The amount of tax credit claimed for the taxable year;

(D) The amount of qualified investment property acquired in prior taxable years;

(E) Any tax credit previously taken by the taxpayer against Georgia income tax liabilities or the taxpayer's quarterly or monthly payments under Code Section 48-7-103;

(F) The amount of tax credit carried over from prior years;

(G) The amount of tax credit utilized by the taxpayer in the current taxable year;

(H) The amount of tax credit to be carried over to subsequent tax years; and

(I) The monthly average number of full-time jobs during the taxable year;

(2) Any credit claimed under this Code section but not fully used in the manner prescribed in subsection (d) of this Code section may be carried forward for 15 years from the close of the later of:

(A) The taxable year in which the qualified investment property was acquired; or

(B) The taxable year in which both the job requirement and investment requirement are satisfied.

The sale, merger, acquisition, or bankruptcy of any business enterprise shall not create new eligibility in any succeeding business entity but any unused investment tax credit may be transferred and continued by any transferee of the business enterprise;

(3) In the initial year in which the taxpayer claims the credit granted in subsection (d) of this Code section, the taxpayer shall include in the description of the project required by subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of this subsection information which demonstrates that the taxpayer has met both the investment requirement and ~~project includes the acquisition of qualified investment property having an aggregate cost equal to or exceeding $800 million and that~~ the job requirement ~~was satisfied~~ during such year; and

(4) The utilization of the credit granted in subsection (d) of this Code section shall have no effect on the taxpayer's ability to claim depreciation for tax purposes on the assets acquired by the taxpayer, nor shall the credit have any effect on the taxpayer's basis in such assets for the purpose of depreciation.

(f)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, in ~~In~~ no event may credits exceeding $50 million in the aggregate be claimed under this Code section with respect to any one project.

(2) In no event shall a taxpayer claim credits exceeding $100 million in the aggregate under this Code section with respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project.

(g)(1) Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a ~~A~~ taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits provided by this Code section with respect to a qualified project shall not be allowed to take any of the credits authorized by Code Section 48-7-40, 48-7-40.1, 48-7-40.2, 48-7-40.3, 48-7-40.4, 48-7-40.6, 48-7-40.7, 48-7-40.8, 48-7-40.9, 48-7-40.10, ~~48-7-40.11,~~ 48-7-40.15, 48-7-40.17, 48-7-40.18, or 48-7-40.24 with respect to jobs, investments, child care, or ground-water usage shifts created by, arising from, related to, or connected in any way with the same project. Such taxpayer may take any credit authorized by Code Section 48-7-40.5 for the cost of retraining an employee located at the site of such project or the manufacturing facility resulting therefrom, but only with respect to costs incurred more than five years after the date the manufacturing facility first becomes operational.

(2) A taxpayer who is entitled to and takes credits authorized by this Code section for a high-impact aerospace defense project certified pursuant to paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section on or after July 1, 2021, may also take the credits authorized by Code Sections 48-7-40.17 and 48-7-40.24 for such project.

(h)(1) ~~Not~~ With respect to each qualified project, not more than 60 days after the close of the fifth taxable year within the recapture period, the taxpayer shall file a report,

using such form and providing such information as the commissioner may reasonably require, concerning whether it met the job maintenance requirement. If the taxpayer ~~has failed~~ fails to meet the job maintenance requirement, ~~the~~ such taxpayer ~~will~~ shall forfeit ~~the~~ its right to all credits provided by this Code section for such project.

(2) Within 60 days after the close of the tenth taxable year within the recapture period, any taxpayer that takes a credit allowed under this Code section with respect to a high-impact aerospace defense project shall file a report, using such form and providing such information as the commissioner may reasonably require, which establishes that the taxpayer purchased or acquired at least $800 million in qualified investment property and employs at least 1,800 full-time employees with respect to such high-impact aerospace defense project. If the taxpayer fails to establish that such objectives were met by the close of the tenth taxable year within the recapture period, such taxpayer shall forfeit its right to all credits provided by this Code section for such project.

(3) A taxpayer that forfeits ~~such~~ its right as provided in paragraph (1) or (2) of this subsection is liable for all past taxes imposed by this article and all past payments under Code Section 48-7-103 that were forgone by the state as a result of the credits provided by this Code section, plus interest at the rate established by Code Section 48-2-40 computed from the date such taxes or payments would have been due if the credits had not been taken. No later than 90 days after notification by the commissioner that the taxpayer has failed to meet the job maintenance requirement or the objectives required of a high-impact aerospace defense project, the taxpayer shall file amended income tax and withholding tax returns for all affected periods that recalculate those liabilities without regard to the forfeited credits and shall pay any additional amounts shown on such returns, with interest as provided herein.

(i) A taxpayer who fails to meet the job maintenance requirement or the objectives required of a high-impact aerospace defense project because of force majeure may petition the commissioner for relief from such requirement. Such a petition must be made with and at the same time as the report required by subsection (h) of this Code section. If the commissioner determines that force majeure materially affected the taxpayer's ability to meet the job maintenance requirement, but that the portion of any year so affected was six months or less, the commissioner shall calculate the taxpayer's monthly average number of full-time employees for purposes of subsection (h) of this Code section by disregarding the affected months. If the commissioner determines that the affected portion of any such year was more than six months, the taxable year shall be disregarded in its entirety for purposes of the job maintenance requirement and the recapture period applicable to the qualified project shall be extended for an additional year.

(j) If the manufacturing facility resulting from a qualified project is abandoned at any time during the recapture period, the taxpayer will forfeit the right to all credits provided by this Code section for such project. A taxpayer that forfeits such right is liable for all past taxes imposed by this article and all past payments under Code Section 48-7-103 that were forgone by the state as a result of the credits provided by this Code section, plus interest at the rate established by Code Section 48-2-40 computed from the date such

taxes or payments would have been due if the credits had not been taken. For purposes of this subsection, a manufacturing facility will be considered abandoned if there is, for any reason other than force majeure, a complete cessation of manufacturing operations for a period of 12 consecutive months or more during the recapture period. Not more than 60 days after the close of the recapture period, the taxpayer shall file a report, using such form and providing such information as the commissioner may require, concerning whether such an abandonment occurred. No later than 90 days after notification by the commissioner that an abandonment occurred, the taxpayer shall file amended income tax and withholding tax returns for all affected periods that recalculate those liabilities without regard to the forfeited credits and shall pay any additional amounts shown on such returns, with interest as provided herein.

(k) Unless more time is allowed therefor by Code Section 48-7-82 or 48-2-49, the commissioner may make any assessment attributable to the forfeiture of credits claimed under this Code section for the periods covered by any amended returns filed by a taxpayer pursuant to subsections (h) and (j) of this Code section within one year from the date such returns are filed. If the taxpayer fails to file the reports or any amended return required by subsections (h) and (j) of this Code section, the commissioner may assess additional tax or other amounts attributable to the forfeiture of credits claimed under this Code section at any time.

(l) The commissioner shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer this Code section."

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

Reserved.

**PART IV**
**SECTION 4-1.**

Code Section 48-7-40.34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for Class III railroads and reporting, is amended by revising subsections (c) through (h) as follows:

"(c)(1) The credit given under this Code section shall only be allowed once for each mile of railroad track in each taxable year.

(2) Such credit shall be given for each taxable year beginning on or after January 1, 2019, and ending on or before December 30, ~~2023~~ 2026, in which the conditions of this Code section have been met.

(d) If a credit is given under this Code section with respect to any railroad track, the basis of such railroad track shall be reduced by the amount of the credit so allowed.

(e) The tax credits given to a Class III railroad by this Code section that are not used by such Class III railroad shall be freely assignable one time between January 1, 2019, and

January 1, ~~2024~~ 2027, by written agreement to a taxpayer subject to the tax imposed by this chapter.

(f) On or before September 1 of 2020 and annually thereafter until ~~2024~~ 2027, the commissioner shall issue a report to the chairpersons of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Committee on Ways and Means concerning the tax credit created by this Code section, which shall include the following statistics for the preceding taxable year:

(1) The total number of taxpayers that claimed a credit provided by this Code section; and

(2) The number and total value of all credits earned and all credits applied during such tax year pursuant to this Code section.

(g) The commissioner shall promulgate such forms, rules, and regulations as are necessary to implement and administer the provisions of this Code section.

(h) This Code section shall be automatically repealed on January 1, ~~2024~~ 2027."

**PART V**
**SECTION 5-1.**

Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding sales and use taxes, is amended by revising paragraph (93) of Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions from sales and use taxes, as follows:

"(93)(A) For the period commencing January 1, 2012, until June 30, ~~2021~~ 2023, sales of tangible personal property used for and in the construction of a competitive project of regional significance.

(B) The exemption provided in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall apply to purchases made during the entire time of construction of the competitive project of regional significance so long as such project meets the definition of a competitive project of regional significance within the period commencing January 1, 2012, until June 30, ~~2021~~ 2023.

(C) The department shall not be required to pay interest on any refund claims filed for local sales and use taxes paid on purchases made prior to the implementation of this paragraph.

(D) As used in this paragraph, the term 'competitive project of regional significance' means the location or expansion of some or all of a business enterprise's operations in this state where the commissioner of economic development determines that the project would have a significant regional impact. The commissioner of economic development shall promulgate regulations in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph outlining the guidelines to be applied in making such determination;"

**SECTION 5-2.**

Said part is further amended by revising paragraph (100) of Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions from sales and use taxes, as follows:

"(100)(A) Sales of tickets, fees, or charges for admission to a fine arts performance or exhibition conducted within a facility in this state that is owned or operated by an organization which is exempt from taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or a museum of cultural significance, if such organization's or museum's mission is to advance the arts in this state and to provide arts, educational, and culturally significant programming and exhibits for the benefit and enrichment of the citizens of this state.

(B) As used in this paragraph, the term 'fine arts' means music performed by a symphony orchestra, poetry, photography, ballet, dance, opera, theater, dramatic arts, painting, sculpture, ceramics, drawing, watercolor, graphics, printmaking, and architecture.

(C) This paragraph shall stand repealed and reserved on December 31, 2022 ~~Reserved~~;"

**SECTION 5-3.**

Said part is further amended in Code Section 48-8-3.2, relating to sales tax exemptions for manufacturers, definitions, exemption, applicability, and examples, by revising paragraph (12) of subsection (e) as follows:

"(12) ~~Until July 1, 2020~~ For the period commencing on July 1, 2021, and ending on June 30, 2026, maintenance and replacement parts for machinery or equipment, stationary or in transit, used to mix, agitate, and transport freshly mixed concrete in a plastic and unhardened state, including but not limited to mixers and components, engines and components, interior and exterior operational controls and components, hydraulics and components, all structural components, and all safety components, provided that sales and use taxes on motor fuel used as energy in a concrete mixer truck shall not be exempt or refundable; and"

**SECTION 5-4.**

Said part is further amended by revising Code Section 48-8-3.4, relating to maximum amount of sales and use tax on boats, annual reporting, and termination, as follows:

"48-8-3.4.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Boat' means a vehicle used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on the water.

(2) 'Event' means an uninterrupted period of time beginning when a boat arrives at a maintenance, refit, or repair facility in this state and ending when such boat departs such facility.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this article, the maximum amount of sales and use tax imposed and collected to maintain, refit, or repair a boat in this state during a single event shall not exceed $35,000.00.

(c) The commissioner shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary to implement and administer this Code section, including, but not limited to, calling for an annual report

to be issued to the department and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee that contains the following:

(1) The number of full-time and part-time positions created by the seller during the preceding tax year;

(2) The average salary of individuals employed in the reported positions; and

(3) The total revenue generated and sales and use taxes collected from qualifying events during the preceding year.

(d) This Code section shall be automatically repealed on June 30, ~~2025~~ 2031."

**PART VI**
**SECTION 6-1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the imposition, rate, and computation and exemptions from state income taxes, is amended by revising Code Section 48-7-29.8, relating to tax credits for the rehabilitation of historic structures, as follows:

"48-7-29.8.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Certified rehabilitation' means repairs or alterations to a certified structure which are certified by the Department of Community Affairs as meeting the United States Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation or the Georgia Standards for Rehabilitation as provided by the Department of Community Affairs.

(2) 'Certified structure' means a historic building or structure that is located within a national historic district, individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places, individually listed in the Georgia Register of Historic Places, or is certified by the Department of Community Affairs as contributing to the historic significance of a Georgia Register Historic District.

(3) 'Historic home' means a certified structure which, or any portion of which is or will, within a reasonable period, be owned and used as the principal residence of the person claiming the tax credit allowed under this Code section. Historic home shall include any structure or group of structures that constitute a multifamily or multipurpose structure, including a cooperative or condominium. If only a portion of a building is used as such person's principal residence, only those qualified rehabilitation expenditures that are properly allocable to such portion shall be deemed to be made to a historic home.

(4) 'Qualified rehabilitation expenditure' means any qualified rehabilitation expenditure as defined by Section 47(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and any amount properly chargeable to a capital account expended in the substantial rehabilitation of a structure that by the end of the taxable year in which the certified rehabilitation is completed is a certified structure. This term does not include the cost of acquisition of the certified structure, the cost attributable to enlargement or additions to an existing building, site preparation, or personal property.

(5) 'Substantial rehabilitation' means rehabilitation of a certified structure for which the qualified rehabilitation expenditures, at least 5 percent of which must be allocable to the exterior during the 24 month period selected by the taxpayer ending with or within the taxable year, exceed:

(A) For a historic home, the lesser of $25,000.00 or 50 percent of the adjusted basis of the property as defined in subparagraph (a)(1)(B) of Code Section 48-5-7.2; or, in the case of a historic home located in a target area, $5,000.00; or

(B) For any other certified structure, the greater of $5,000.00 or the adjusted basis of the property.

(6) 'Target area' means a qualified census tract under Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, found in the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development document number N-94-3821; FR-3796-N-01.

(b) A taxpayer shall be allowed a tax credit against the tax imposed by this chapter in the year that the certified rehabilitation is placed in service, which may be up to two years after the end of the taxable year for which the credit was originally reserved:

(1) In the case of a historic home, equal to 25 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenditures, except that, in the case of a historic home located within a target area, an additional credit equal to 5 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenditures shall be allowed; and

(2) In the case of any other certified structure, equal to 25 percent of qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

Qualified rehabilitation expenditures may only be counted once in determining the amount of the tax credit available, and more than one entity may not claim a credit for the same qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

(c)(1) In no event shall credits for a historic home exceed $100,000.00 in any 120 month period.

(2) The maximum credit for any other individual certified structure shall be $5 million for any taxable year, except in the case that the project creates 200 or more full-time, permanent jobs or $5 million in annual payroll within two years of the placed in service date, in which case the project is eligible for credits up to $10 million for an individual certified structure. In no event shall more than one application for any individual certified structure under this paragraph be approved in any 120 month period.

(3)(A) Prior to January 1, 2022, in ~~In~~ no event shall credits issued under this Code section for projects earning more than $300,000.00 in credits exceed in the aggregate $25 million per calendar year.

(B) For calendar year 2022, in no event shall credits issued under this Code section exceed $5 million in aggregate for all projects earning $300,000.00 or less, or $25 million in aggregate for all projects earning more than $300,000.00.

(C) On and after January 1, 2023, in no event shall credits be issued under this Code section.

(d)(1) A taxpayer seeking to claim a tax credit under paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall submit an application to the commissioner for preapproval of such tax credit. Such application shall include a precertification from the Department

of Community Affairs certifying that the improvements to the certified structure are to be consistent with the Department of Community Affairs Standards for Rehabilitation. The Department shall have the authority to require electronic submission of such application in the manner specified by the department. The commissioner shall preapprove the tax credits within 30 days based on the order in which properly completed applications were submitted. In the event that two or more applications were submitted on the same day and the amount of funds available will not be sufficient to fully fund the tax credits requested, the commissioner shall prorate the available funds between or among the applicants. For applications on projects over the annual $25 million limitation, those applications shall be given priority the following year.

(2) In order to be eligible to receive the credit authorized under subsection (b) of this Code section, a taxpayer must attach to the taxpayer's state tax return a copy of the completed certification of the Department of Community Affairs verifying that the improvements to the certified structure are consistent with the Department of Community Affairs Standards for Rehabilitation.

(e)(1) If the credit allowed under paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section in any taxable year exceeds the total tax otherwise payable by the taxpayer for that taxable year, the taxpayer may apply the excess as a credit for succeeding years until the earlier of:

(A) The full amount of the excess is used; or

(B) The expiration of the tenth taxable year after the taxable year in which the certified rehabilitation has been completed.

(2) Any tax credits with respect to credits earned by a taxpayer under paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section and previously claimed but not used by such taxpayer against its income tax may be transferred or sold in whole or in part by such taxpayer to another Georgia taxpayer, subject to the following conditions:

(A) A taxpayer who makes qualified rehabilitation expenditures may sell or assign all or part of the tax credit that may be claimed for such costs and expenses to one or more entities, but no further sale or assignment of any credit previously sold or assigned pursuant to this subparagraph shall be allowed. All such transfers shall be subject to the maximum total limits provided by subsection (c) of this Code section;

(B) A taxpayer who sells or assigns a credit under this Code section and the entity to which the credit is sold or assigned shall jointly submit written notice of the sale or assignment to the department not later than 30 days after the date of the sale or assignment. The notice must include:

(i) The date of the sale or assignment;

(ii) The amount of the credit sold or assigned;

(iii) The names and federal tax identification numbers of the entity that sold or assigned the credit or part of the credit and the entity to which the credit or part of the credit was sold or assigned; and

(iv) The amount of the credit owned by the selling or assigning entity before the sale or assignment and the amount the selling or assigning entity retained, if any, after the sale or assignment;

(C) The sale or assignment of a credit in accordance with this Code section does not extend the period for which a credit may be carried forward and does not increase the total amount of the credit that may be claimed. After an entity claims a credit for eligible costs and expenses, another entity may not use the same costs and expenses as the basis for claiming a credit;

(D) Notwithstanding the requirements of this subsection, a credit earned or purchased by, or assigned to, a partnership, limited liability company, Subchapter 'S' corporation, or other pass-through entity may be allocated to the partners, members, or shareholders of that entity and claimed under this Code section in accordance with the provisions of any agreement among the partners, members, or shareholders of that entity and without regard to the ownership interest of the partners, members, or shareholders in the rehabilitated certified structure, provided that the entity or person that claims the credit must be subject to Georgia tax; and

(E) Only a taxpayer who earned a credit, and no subsequent good faith transferee, shall be responsible in the event of a recapture, reduction, disallowance, or other failure related to such credit.

(3) No such credit shall be allowed the taxpayer against prior years' tax liability.

(f) In the case of any rehabilitation which may reasonably be expected to be completed in phases set forth in architectural plans and specifications completed before the rehabilitation begins, a 60 month period may be substituted for the 24 month period provided for in paragraph (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section.

(g)(1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (h) of this Code section, in the event a tax credit under this Code section has been claimed and allowed the taxpayer, upon the sale or transfer of the certified structure, the taxpayer shall be authorized to transfer the remaining unused amount of such credit to the purchaser of such certified structure. If a historic home for which a certified rehabilitation has been completed by a nonprofit corporation is sold or transferred, the full amount of the credit to which the nonprofit corporation would be entitled if taxable shall be transferred to the purchaser or transferee at the time of sale or transfer.

(2) Such purchaser shall be subject to the limitations of subsection (e) of this Code section. Such purchaser shall file with such purchaser's tax return a copy of the approval of the rehabilitation by the Department of Community Affairs as provided in subsection (d) of this Code section and a copy of the form evidencing the transfer of the tax credit.

(3) Such purchaser shall be entitled to rely in good faith on the information contained in and used in connection with obtaining the approval of the credit including, without limitation, the amount of qualified rehabilitation expenditures.

(h)(1) If an owner other than a nonprofit corporation sells a historic home within three years of receiving the credit, the seller shall recapture the credit to the Department of Revenue as follows:

(A) If the property is sold within one year of receiving the credit, the recapture amount will equal the lesser of the credit or the net profit of the sale;

(B) If the property is sold within two years of receiving the credit, the recapture amount will equal the lesser of two-thirds of the credit or the net profit of the sale; or

(C) If the property is sold within three years of receiving the credit, the recapture amount will equal the lesser of one-third of the credit or the net profit of the sale.

(2) The recapture provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a sale resulting from the death of the owner.

(i)(1) In the event that a taxpayer claims the tax credit under paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section and leases such certified structure, the department shall aggregate all total sales tax receipts from the certified structure.

(2) Any taxpayer claiming credits under paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section shall report to the department the average full-time employees employed at the certified structure. A full-time employee for the purposes of this Code section shall mean a person who works a job that requires 30 or more hours per week. Such reports must be submitted to the department for five calendar years following the year in which the credit is claimed by the taxpayer.

(3) In the event that a taxpayer claims the tax credit under paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section and leases such certified structure, the department shall aggregate all total full-time employees at the certified structure.

(j) Notwithstanding Code Sections 48-2-15, 48-7-60, and 48-7-61, the department shall furnish a report to the chairperson of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the chairperson of the Senate Finance Committee by June 30 of each year. Such report shall contain the total sales tax collected in the prior calendar year and the average number of full-time employees at the certified structure and the total value of credits claimed for each taxpayer claiming credits under paragraph (2) of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(k) The tax credit allowed under paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of this Code section, and any recaptured tax credit, shall be allocated among some or all of the partners, members, or shareholders of the entity owning the project in any manner agreed to by such persons, whether or not such persons are allocated or allowed any portion of any other tax credit with respect to the project.

(l) The Department of Community Affairs and the Department of Revenue shall prescribe such regulations as may be appropriate to carry out the purposes of this Code section.

(m) The Department of Community Affairs shall report, on an annual basis, on the overall economic activity, usage, and impact to the state from the rehabilitation of eligible properties for which credits provided by this Code section have been allowed.

(n) This Code section shall stand repealed and reserved by operation of law on December 31, 2022."

**SECTION 6-2.**

Section 2 of Ga. L. 2015, p. 1340, approved May 12, 2015, is hereby repealed in its entirety.

**PART VII**
**SECTION 7-1.**

Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to revenue and taxation, is amended by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of Code Section 48-7-40.12, relating to tax credit for qualified research expenses, as follows:

"(3) 'Business enterprise' means any business or the headquarters of any such business which is engaged in manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, processing, telecommunications, broadcasting, tourism, and research and development industries. Such term shall not include retail businesses. Any business or the headquarters of any such business that otherwise meets the definition of a business enterprise shall not be considered a retail business due to the retail activities of any of its affiliate entities, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Code Section 48-7-42."

**SECTION 7-2.**

Said title is further amended by revising paragraph (68) of Code Section 48-8-3, relating to exemptions, as follows:

"(68)(A) The sale or lease of computer equipment to be incorporated into a facility or facilities in this state to any high-technology company classified under the 2017 North American Industrial Classification System code ~~51121, 51331, 51333, 51334, 51421, 52232, 54133, 54171, 54172,~~ 334413, ~~334611, 513321, 513322, 514191,~~ 334614, 511210, 517311, 517312, 517410, 517911, 517919, 518210, 522320, 541330, 541511, 541512, 541513, ~~or~~ 541519, 541713, 541715, or 541720 where such sale of computer equipment for any calendar year exceeds $15 million or, in the event of a lease of such computer equipment, the fair market value of such leased computer equipment for any calendar year exceeds $15 million.

(B) Any person making a sale or lease of computer equipment to a high-technology company as specified in subparagraph (A) of this paragraph shall collect the tax imposed on the sale by this article unless the purchaser furnishes such seller with a certificate issued by the commissioner certifying that the purchaser is entitled to purchase the computer equipment without paying the tax. As a condition precedent to the issuance of the certificate, the commissioner, at such commissioner's discretion, may require a good and valid bond with a surety company authorized to do business in this state as surety or may require legal securities, in an amount fixed by the commissioner, conditioned upon payment by the purchaser of all taxes due under this article in the event it should be determined that the sale fails to meet the requirements of this subparagraph.

(C)(i) As used in this paragraph, the term 'computer equipment' means any individual computer or organized assembly of hardware or software, such as a server farm, mainframe or midrange computer, mainframe driven high-speed print and mailing devices, and workstations connected to those devices via high bandwidth connectivity such as a local area network, wide area network, or any other data transport technology which performs one of the following functions: storage or

management of production data, hosting of production applications, hosting of application systems development activities, or hosting of applications systems testing.

(ii) The term shall not include:

(I) Telephone central office equipment or other voice data transport technology, including any wireline or wireless telecommunication system; or

(II) Equipment with imbedded computer hardware or software which is primarily used for training, product testing, or in a manufacturing process.

(D) Any corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or any other similar entity which qualifies for the exemption and is affiliated in any manner with a nonqualified corporation, partnership, limited liability company, or any other similar entity must conduct at least a majority of its business with entities with which it has no affiliation.

(E) Each high-technology company that has been issued a certificate of exemption pursuant to this paragraph shall report annually to the commissioner a list of the facilities for which all computer equipment exempted by this paragraph during the preceding calendar year was incorporated, as well as the amount of taxes exempted under this paragraph during the preceding calendar year. Such report shall be filed within 90 days after the end of the calendar year for which the high-technology company utilized a certificate of exemption pursuant to this paragraph and shall be subject to the confidentiality provisions of Code Section 48-2-15. The commissioner shall not issue a certificate of exemption under this paragraph for the calendar year next succeeding the reporting date to any high-technology company that has failed to comply with the reporting required by this subparagraph.

(F) The commissioner shall promulgate such rules and regulations as are necessary to implement the provisions of this paragraph.

(G) This paragraph shall stand repealed and reserved by operation of law at the last moment of June 30, 2023."

**PART VIII**
**SECTION 8-1.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 8-2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Albers of the 56th moved that the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on SB 6.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 52, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate adopted the Conference Committee Report on SB 6.

The following local, uncontested legislation, favorably reported by the committee as listed on the Supplemental Local Consent Calendar, was put upon its passage:

**SUPPLEMENTAL SENATE LOCAL CONSENT CALENDAR**

Wednesday March 31, 2021
Fortieth Legislative Day

(The names listed are the Senators whose districts are affected by the legislation.)

HB 680 Sims of the 12th
**STEWART COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 4, 1997 (Ga. L. 1997, p. 3845), so as to revise provisions relating to purchases and bids; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 749 Jackson of the 2nd
Watson of the 1st
**CHATHAM COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create and establish the Chatham County Building and Facilities Authority; to provide for severability; to provide for a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 750 Watson of the 1st
Jackson of the 2nd
**CHATHAM COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Chatham County Legislative Gang Prevention and Intervention Commission; to provide for membership; to provide for powers, duties, and objectives; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 762 Orrock of the 36th
Albers of the 56th
Harrell of the 40th
Brass of the 28th
Kirkpatrick of the 32nd
Beach of the 21st
**FULTON COUNTY**

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create the Fulton Technology and Energy Enhancement Authority; to provide a statement of legislative findings; to provide for effect on other governments; to provide for construction of this Act and severability; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the local legislation as reported, was agreed to.

On the passage of the legislation, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |

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| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the local legislation, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

The legislation on the Local Consent Calendar, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Jones of the 10th asked unanimous consent that HB 579, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 579, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 579. By Representatives Oliver of the 82nd, Efstration of the 104th, Wilson of the 80th, Drenner of the 85th, Lopez of the 86th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 75 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to war on terrorism local assistance, so as to change a short title to the "Public Safety and Judicial Facilities Act"; to repeal the requirement for referendums prior to issuance of bonded indebtedness for new projects; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 10th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 579, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Brass of the 28th asked unanimous consent that HB 470, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 470, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 470. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th, Wiedower of the 119th and Efstration of the 104th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to regulation of specialized land transactions, so as to provide that no plans are required when units are not designated by physical structures; to provide that no plats are required for subcondominiums; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Brass of the 28th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 52, nays 0.

HB 470, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that HB 236, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 236, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 236. By Representatives Neal of the 74th, Tankersley of the 160th, Hugley of the 136th, Douglas of the 78th, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 13 of Title 19 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to granting of relief by superior courts, so as to provide for additional monitoring of the victim after the granting of a temporary protective order; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 236, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 334. By Representatives Gullett of the 19th, Jones of the 25th, Leverett of the 33rd, Kelley of the 16th, Burchett of the 176th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public; to amend Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 and Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to recording of deeds and other real property transactions and inspection of public records; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House amendment to the Senate substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following amendment:

*Amend HB 334 (LC 41 3158S) by striking the language beginning with line 1 on page 1 through line 447 on page 19 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 and Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts and general provisions regarding notaries public, respectively, so as to provide for remote online notaries public and remote online notarizations; to provide for and revise definitions; to revise the powers of the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority; to provide for requirements for remote online notaries public and remote online notarization; to provide that the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority may adopt certain standards for remote online notarization; to provide for application and appointment as a remote online notary public; to provide requirements for electronic journaling; to amend Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10, Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 and Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," recording of deeds and other real property transactions and inspection of public records, respectively, so as to provide for an unfair or deceptive practice in consumer transactions in the recording of certain residential real estate documents; revise recordation standards for deeds and other real property transactions requiring an official and an unofficial witness; to provide for electronic executions; to provide that certain records of remote online notarization processes shall not be subject to public disclosure; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**PART I**

**SECTION 1-1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 15 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to clerks of superior courts, is amended by revising paragraphs (8) and (9) and by adding a new paragraph to subsection (d) of Code Section 15-6-94, relating to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, as follows:

"(8) To exercise any power granted by the laws of this state to public or private corporations which is not in conflict with the public purpose of the authority; ~~and~~

(9) To issue technical standards for remote online notarization pursuant to Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45; and

~~(9)~~(10) To do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the powers conferred by this Code section and to carry out such duties and activities as are specifically imposed upon the authority by law."

**SECTION 1-2.**

Article 1 of Chapter 17 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding notaries public, is amended by revising Code Section 45-17-

1, relating to definitions, as follows:

"45-17-1.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Appear', 'personally appear', and 'in the presence of' mean:

(A) Being in the same physical location as another individual and close enough to see, hear, communicate with, and exchange tangible identification credentials with such individual; or

(B) Interacting with another individual by means of communication technology that complies with the provisions of this article.

(2) 'Attesting', ~~and~~ 'attestation', and 'attested' are synonymous and mean the notarial act of witnessing or attesting a signature or execution of a deed or other written instrument, where such notarial act does not involve the taking of an acknowledgment, the administering of an oath or affirmation, the taking of a verification, or the certification of a copy.

(3) 'Communication technology' means an electronic device or process that allows a remote online notary public physically located in this state and a remotely located individual to communicate with each other simultaneously by sight and sound and which, as necessary, makes reasonable accommodations for individuals with vision, hearing, or speech impediments.

(4) 'Credential analysis' means a process or service operating according to the standards through which a third person or entity affirms the validity of a government issued identification credential through review of public or proprietary data sources.

(5) 'Digital signature' means an electronic signature that embeds registered personal key infrastructure technology into the signing process and provides for the authentication of the identity of a remote online notary public, confirmation of the signed document's contents, and for the nonrepudiation of the notary's electronic signature. The digital signature shall be made pursuant to and associated with a digital certificate issued by a trusted service provider which is attached to or logically associated with an electronic document and adopted by a notary public with the intent to sign an electronic document in the official capacity as a notary. A digital signature means an electronic signature that is, and shall be, made in compliance with the standards adopted pursuant to this article by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority based on the Digital Signature Standard (DSS) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

(6) 'Electronic' means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic, or similar capabilities.

(7) 'Electronic document' and 'electronic record' mean information that is created, generated, sent, communicated, received, or stored by electronic means.

(8) 'Electronic journal' means a record kept by the remote online notary public to track and document every notarial act performed, as provided by subsection (a) of Code Section 45-17-8.5.

(9) 'Electronic in-person notarization' means the notarization of an electronic record when the signer or signers of the record are in the physical presence of the notary

public and that include the notary's electronic notarial certificate, the notary's digital signature, and electronic signatures of each signer.

(10) 'Electronic notarial certificate' means the electronic form of an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, or verification of witness or attestation that is completed by a notary performing an electronic in-person notarization and:

(A) Contains the notary public's digital signature, electronic seal, title, and commission expiration date; or

(B) Otherwise conforms to the requirements for an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, or verification of witness or attestation under the laws of this state.

(11) 'Electronic seal' means information within a notarized electronic document that confirms the remote online notary public's, or electronic in person notary public's, name, jurisdiction, commission expiration date, commission number, and otherwise generally corresponds to information in notary public seals used on paper documents.

(12) 'Electronic signature' means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to or logically associated with an electronic record and executed or adopted by an individual with the intent to sign the electronic document or record.

(13) 'Identity proofing' means a process or service operating pursuant to the standards through which credential analysis and authentication confirms the identity of an individual.

~~(2)~~(14) 'Notarial act' means any act that a notary public is authorized by law to perform and includes, without limitation, attestation, the taking of an acknowledgment, the administration of an oath or affirmation, the taking of a verification upon an oath or affirmation, and the certification of a copy.

~~(3)~~(15) 'Notarial certificate' means the notary's documentation of a notarial act.

(16) 'Notary' and 'notary public' mean a person who has been appointed by a clerk of superior court pursuant to Code Section 45-17-2.3.

(17) 'Original appointment' means a notary public appointment other than a remote online notary public appointment.

(18) 'Real estate document' means any instrument, document, or deed entitled to recordation in the real property records or lien indices or recording records maintained by the clerk of superior court, and any instrument or document executed in connection with the conveyance of land whether recorded or not.

(19) 'Remote online notarial certificate' is the electronic form of an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, or verification of witness or attestation that is completed by a remote online notary public performing a remote online notarization and:

(A) Contains the remote online notary public's digital signature, electronic seal, title, and commission expiration date;

(B) Contains the date and location address of the signer or signers and the location of the remote online notary public;

(C) Contains a statement that the signer or signers executing the electronic document or making the acknowledgment, oath, affirmation, verification, or

attestation appeared remotely online;

(D) Otherwise conforms to the requirements for an acknowledgment, jurat, verification by oath or affirmation, verification of witness or attestation under the laws of this state; and

(E) Contains a statement that the signer or signers affirmatively agreed to electronic execution and remote online notarization.

(20) 'Remote online notarization' or 'remote online notarial act' means a notarial act performed by a remote online notary public by means of communication technology according to the provisions of this article.

(21) 'Remote online notary public' means a notary public who has been commissioned as a remote online notary public to perform online notarizations under this article.

(22) 'Remote presentation' means transmission to the remote online notary public through communication technology of an image of a government issued identification credential that is of sufficient quality to enable the remote online notary public to:

(A) Identify the individual seeking the remote online notary public's services; and

(B) Perform credential analysis.

(23) 'Remotely located individual' means an individual who is not in the physical presence of the remote online notary public.

(24) 'Repository' means a third-party business entity authorized to transact business in this state that is in the business of retaining electronic journals and audiovisual copies of remote online notarizations according to Code Section 45-17-8.5.

(25) 'Signer' means an individual whose electronic signature is notarized in an electronic in-person notarization or a remote online notarization or is making an oath or affirmation or an acknowledgment, other than in the capacity of a witness, for a document which is to be notarized by an electronic in-person notarization or a remote online notarization.

(26) 'Standards' means the remote online notary standards as shall be adopted by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority."

**SECTION 1-3.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-6, relating to seal of office, as follows:

"45-17-6.

(a)(1) For the authentication of his or her notarial acts, each notary public must provide a seal of office, which seal shall have for its impression ~~his~~ the notary's name, the words 'Notary Public,' the name of the state, and the county of ~~his residence~~ the notary's appointment; or it shall have for its impression ~~his~~ the notary's name and the words 'Notary Public, Georgia, State at Large.' Notaries commissioned or renewing their commission after July 1, 1985, shall provide a seal of office which shall have for its impression the notary's name, the words 'Notary Public,' the name of the state, and the county of ~~his~~ the notary's appointment. The embossment of notarial certificates by the notary's seal shall be authorized but not necessary~~,~~ and the use of a rubber or other

type stamp shall be sufficient for imprinting the notary's seal on paper notarial certificates. A scrawl shall not be a sufficient notary seal. An official notarial act must be documented by the notary's seal. An electronic seal shall be used for purposes of any electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarization.

(2) No document executed prior to July 1, 1986, which would otherwise be eligible for recording in the real property records maintained by any clerk of superior court or constitute record notice or actual notice of any matter to any person shall be ineligible for recording or fail to constitute such notice because of noncompliance with the requirement that the document contain a notary seal.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to supply a notary public seal to any person unless the person has presented the duplicate original of the certificate commissioning the person as a notary public. It shall be unlawful for any person to order or obtain a notary public seal unless such person is commissioned as a notary public."

**SECTION 1-4.**

Said article is further amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 45-17-8.1, relating to signature and date of notarial act, as follows:

"(a) Except as otherwise provided in this Code section, in documenting a notarial act, a notary public shall sign on the notarial certification, digitally in the case of electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarization or by hand in ink in all other cases, only and exactly the name indicated on the notary's commission and shall record on the notarial certification the exact date of the notarial act."

**SECTION 1-5.**

Said article is further amended by adding new Code sections to read as follows:

"45-17-8.3.

(a) Prior to January 1, 2022, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall adopt standards for remote online notarization in accordance with this article.

(b) The Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority may confer with any appropriate state agency on matters relating to equipment, security, and technological aspects of the remote online notarization standards.

(c) In the adoption of any standards it may adopt pursuant to this article, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall consider the most recent standards established by relevant national bodies, such as the Mortgage Industry Standards Maintenance Organization (MISMO) and the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS).

45-17-8.4

(a) Appointment as a notary public in this state shall be a requirement and condition precedent for appointment as a remote online notary public.

(b) Before each application for appointment as a remote online notary public, an individual shall complete a course of instruction provided by the Georgia Superior

Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority and pass an examination based on such course. The content of the course shall include notarial standards and procedures, the standards, and ethical obligations pertaining to electronic in-person notarization and remote online notarization in this article or in any other law. Such course may be taken in conjunction with any course required by the clerk of superior court for an original appointment. The standards for such course shall be developed and maintained and administered by the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority.

(c) Except for a remote online notary public as appointed under subsection (h) of this Code section, effective January 1, 2022, an individual who meets the qualifications for becoming a notary public of this state desiring to be appointed as a remote online notary public shall submit an application to the clerk of superior court of the county of the applicant's current residence. In the event that such applicant is the holder of an unexpired notary commission issued from a county other than the county of the applicant's current residence, such applicant shall officially resign the unexpired commission and make new application to the clerk of superior court for the county of current residence for both a notary commission and commission as a remote online notary public. An application may request both an original appointment or renewal and a remote online notary public appointment. The application for a remote online notary public appointment shall set forth the declaration that the notary meets the qualifications for remote online notarization as provided by this article. Such application shall include, but shall not be limited to:

(1) The applicant's legal name to be used in acting as a notary public;

(2) Email address of the applicant;

(3) Telephone number of the applicant;

(4) Proof of successful completion by the applicant of the course and examination required by subsection (b) of this Code section;

(5) A physical residential address of the applicant in this state if a resident of this state;

(6) The business address of the applicant in this state if the applicant is a resident of a state bordering this state who maintains a business or profession in the State of Georgia or who is regularly employed in this state.

(7) Evidence that the notary surety bond prescribed by this article for the performance or remote online notarial acts has been issued;

(8) The identity of the technology provider the remote online notary public intends to use for remote online notarization and the repository to be used by such notary for maintenance of his or her electronic journal and audiovisual recordings. The technology provider, communication technology, and repository selected by the remote online notary public must conform to standards;

(9) A certification that the applicant will comply with this article and the standards;

(10) Disclosure of any and all license or commission revocations or other governmental disciplinary actions against the applicant; and

(11) Any other information, evidence, or declaration requested by the clerk of superior court.

(d) The fee for submitting an application for appointment as a remote online notary shall be the same fee as for an application for an original appointment pursuant to Code Section 45-17-4. One fee shall be collected for:

(1) An application for a commission as a remote online notary public;

(2) An application for a notary commission renewal and a commission as a remote online notary public; or

(3) An application for an original or new notary commission and commission as a remote online notary public.

(e) Upon the applicant's fulfillment of the requirements for appointment under this chapter, the clerk of superior court may approve or deny the appointment based on the provisions of this article and Code Section 45-17-2.3, and upon approval shall issue to the applicant a commission as a remote online notary public and a unique remote online notary public commission number.

(f) Unless terminated pursuant to this article, the term of commission to perform remote online notarization shall coincide with the term of the original appointment or any renewal thereof.

(g) Upon approval of the application to be appointed a remote online notary public by the clerk of superior court, such notary shall:

(1) Be authorized to perform remote online notarization pursuant to this article;

(2) Maintain a notary surety bond in the amount of $2,000.00;

(3) Except for a remote online notary public as appointed under subsection (h) of this Code section, maintain a residential domicile and physical presence in this state; and

(4) Promptly notify the appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, of any change in the information provided in the remote online notary public application, including, but not limited to, legal name, email address, telephone number, physical residential address, any change in the technology or repository provider used by such online notary public, and the name and address of the repository used by such remote online notary public for maintenance of his or her electronic journal.

(h)(1) Any person who is a resident of a state bordering on the State of Georgia and who carries on a business or profession in the State of Georgia or who is regularly employed in this state may be commissioned as a remote online notary public by the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the person carries on said profession, business, or employment.

(2) Such person wishing to be commissioned as a remote online notary public must meet all the requirements of Code Section 45-17-2 as to an original appointment and this article as to a remote online notary public appointment.

(3) In addition to the submission requirements for an original appointment under Code Section 45-17-2.1, such individual shall submit the application for a remote online notary public as required in this article to the clerk of superior court in the county in which such individual carries on such profession, business, or employment. The clerk of superior court shall approve or deny such application based on the provisions of this article and Code Section 45-17-2.3. Upon approval and payment of

the usual fees to the clerk, the applicant shall be issued a unique remote online notary public commission number and shall be authorized to perform all duties and exercise all of the powers and authorities relating to remote online notary publics who are residents of this state.

45-17-8.5

(a) Each remote online notary public shall keep a secure, permanent, tamper-evident electronic journal in accordance with this article and the standards with entries for each remote online notarization. A journal entry shall at a minimum include the:

(1) Date and time of the remote online notarization;

(2) Type of remote online notarial act;

(3) Type, title, or description of the electronic document or proceeding;

(4) Name and address of each signer involved in the transaction or proceeding, notarized by such notary;

(5) Confirmation of identify based on evidence of identity presented for each signer involved in the transaction or proceeding in the form of:

(A) Notation of the type of identification document provided to the remote online notary public pursuant to the credential analysis; and

(B) A description and results of each identity proofing performed;

(6) Physical location of the signer or signers of the document at the time of notarization;

(7) Physical location of the remote online notary public at the time of remote online notarization; and

(8) The fee, if any, charged for the remote online notarization.

(b) The electronic journal shall be retained and maintained for at least ten years after the date of the last remote online notarial transaction performed.

(c) Each remote online notary public shall cause an electronic copy of each electronic journal entry to be promptly transmitted to and retained by a repository for retention. Each repository receiving any journal or journal entry shall securely retain and maintain such electronic journal for a minimum of ten years following the last submission of an electronic journal entry by a remote online notary public.

(d) Each remote online notary public shall create an audiovisual recording of the performance of the remote online notarial act as evidence of participant identity, type of participant identification presented, and the validity of the notarial act.

(e) Each remote online notary public shall cause an electronic copy of each audiovisual recording to be immediately transmitted to and retained by a repository. Each repository receiving any audiovisual recording shall securely retain and maintain such audiovisual recording for a minimum of ten years following submission of the last audiovisual recording submitted by a remote online notary public.

(f)(1) When adopting standards regarding remote online notarization, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall consider the most recent guidance or model standards proposed by relevant organizations recognized in such field of practice, including, but not limited to, the Mortgage Industry Standards Maintenance

Organization (MISMO) and the National Association of Secretaries of State (NASS).
(2) When adopting standards regarding digital signatures, the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority shall consider the most recent guidance or model standards proposed by relevant organizations recognized in such field of practice, including, but not limited to, the Digital Signature Standard (DSS) of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

(g) A remote online notary public shall take reasonable steps to:
(1) Ensure the integrity, security, and authenticity of each remote online notarization;
(2) Maintain a backup of each electronic journal required by subsection (a) of this Code section and the recording required by subsection (d) of this Code section; and
(3) Protect the backup record from unauthorized use.

45-17-8.6

(a) A notary public physically located in this state may perform electronic in-person notarization in accordance with this article and the standards for an individual who is in the physical presence of the notary public.
(b) A remote online notary public physically located in this state may perform remote online notarization using communication technology in accordance with this article and the standards for a remotely located individual who is physically located:
(1) In this state;
(2) Outside this state but within the United States; or
(3) Outside the United States if:
(A) The remote online notary public has no actual knowledge that the act of making the statement or signing the electronic record is prohibited in the jurisdiction in which the person is located; and
(B) The signer placing his or her electronic signature on the electronic record confirms to the remote online notary public that the requested remote online notarial act and the electronic record:
(i) Are part of or pertain to a matter that is to be filed with or is currently before a court, governmental entity, or other entity in the United States;
(ii) Relate to property located in the United States; or
(iii) Relate to a transaction that is substantively connected to the United States.

45-17-8.7.

(a) A notary public and a remote online notary public shall take reasonable steps to ensure that any registered device or digital certificate used to create an electronic signature or the notary's or remote online notary public's digital signature is current, valid, and has not been revoked or terminated by the device's or certificate's issuing or registering authority.
(b) The duties of the notary public and the remote online notary public, in addition to the duties provided for in Code Section 45-17-8, are to:
(1) Keep his or her electronic record, electronic signature, and electronic seal secure and under his or her exclusive control;

(2) Not allow another person to use his or her electronic record, digital signature, or electronic seal. A remote online notary public may use such remote online notary public's digital signature only for performing electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarization and a notary public may use such notary public's digital signature only for performing electronic in-person notarization;
(3) Attach his or her digital signature and seal to the remote online notarial certificate of an electronic document in a manner that is conducive to independent verification and renders evident any subsequent change or modification to the electronic document; and
(4) Immediately notify an appropriate law enforcement agency and appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, of the theft or vandalism of such notary's or remote online notary public's electronic record, digital signature, or electronic seal. A notary public or a remote online notary public shall immediately notify the appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, if his or her electronic record, digital signature, or electronic seal has been lost or used by another person.

45-17-8.8
(a) In performing a remote online notarization, a remote online notary public shall verify the identity of a signer creating an electronic signature at the time that the signature is taken by using secure communication technology that meets the requirements of this article and any standards adopted under this article; provided, however, that a failure to provide an accommodation shall not invalidate an otherwise valid notarial act. Identity shall be verified by each of the following:
(1) Remote presentation by the person creating the electronic signature of a valid government issued identification credential, including a passport or driver's license, that contains the signature and a photograph of the person;
(2) Credential analysis; and
(3) Successful verified identity proofing.
(b) The remote online notary public's communication technology provider and repository shall take reasonable steps to ensure that the communication technology used for a remote online notarization is secure from unauthorized interception. Each provider of communication technology products or services for remote online notarization in this state shall cause such products or services to comply with all provisions of this article and the standards relating to remote online notarization. Prior to providing remote online notary public products or services, a communication technology provider shall present a certificate of compliance to the remote online notary public affirming that such products and services comply with the provisions of this article and the standards pursuant to this article.
(c) A remote online notary public shall require his or her communication technology provider used to comply with the provisions of this article and the standards.
(d) A remote online notarial act meeting the provisions of this Code section satisfies

the requirement of any law of this state relating to a notarial act that requires a signer to appear or personally appear before a notary or that the notarial act be performed in the presence of a notary, except for a notarial act pursuant to a law governing the creation and execution of wills, codicils, or testamentary trusts.
(e) An electronic document executed by a signer and notarized under this article by a remote online notary public is deemed to be executed in this state.

45-17-8.9.
(a) A remote online notary public or the remote online notary public's employer may charge a fee for performance of remote online notarization in an amount not to exceed $25.00 per remote online notarization.
(b) A notary public or a remote online notary public whose commission terminates shall destroy or delete the coding, disk, certificate, card, software, hardware, or password that enables the electronic affixation of the notary public's or remote online notary public's official digital signature and electronic seal.
(c) Any person that, without authorization, knowingly obtains, conceals, damages, destroys, or deletes the coding, disk, certificate, card, software, hardware, or password enabling a notary public or a remote online notary public to affix a digital signature or electronic seal shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor and punished pursuant to Code Section 45-17-20.

45-17-8.10.
(a) Nothing in this article shall be construed to alter or supersede the law as set forth under Article 3 of Chapter 19 of Title 15 or any opinion or ruling by the Supreme Court of Georgia pertaining to the unauthorized practice of law in this state, including, but not limited to, the requirement that a licensed Georgia attorney shall supervise a real estate closing for real property located in this state.
(b) A remote online notary public who is not a licensed Georgia attorney shall be prohibited from rendering services or advice that constitutes the practice of law in this state.

45-17-8.11.
(a) Any public official in this state, including all public officials of county and municipal government entities, shall be authorized to accept as an original a reproduction of any document executed using electronic signatures or electronic signatures and remote online notarization.
(b) Any requirement that an instrument, document, or real estate document be attested or acknowledged by a notary public and the requirement of confirmation of identity of the document signer, oath taker, or affirmant contained in 45-17-8 is satisfied by a remote online notarial act or an electronic in-person notarial act meeting the requirements of this article.
(c) A remote online notarial act performed by a remote online notary public commissioned or registered in another state has the same effect under the laws of this

state as if performed by a notary public appointed in this state.

(d) A notary public or a remote online notary public shall not perform any notarial act by electronic in-person notarization or remote online notarial act by remote online notarization if the notarial act or remote online notarial act is pursuant to a law governing the creation and execution of any will, codicil or testamentary trust.

**SECTION 1-6.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-9, relating to where notarial acts may be exercised, as follows:

"45-17-9.

Notarial acts or remote online notarial acts may be exercised in or from any county in ~~the~~ this state."

**SECTION 1-7.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-17, relating to resignation of commission, return of papers, and destruction of seal, as follows:

"45-17-17.

A person who wishes to resign a notarial commission or remote online notarial commission shall send a signed letter of resignation to the appointing clerk of superior court, with a copy to the Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority, and all papers of appointment. The resigning notary public or remote online notary public shall destroy or delete the official notarial seal."

**SECTION 1-8.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 45-17-18, relating to the resignation of commission, return of papers, and destruction of seal, as follows:

"45-17-18.

A notary public or remote online notary public whose commission expires and who does not apply for renewal of such commission or whose application for renewal of a commission is denied shall destroy or delete the official notary seal."

**PART II**
**SECTION 2-1.**

Part 2 of Article 15 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Fair Business Practices Act of 1975," is amended by revising paragraphs (33) and (34) of, and adding a new paragraph to, subsection (b) of Code Section 10-1-393, relating to unfair or deceptive practices in consumer transactions unlawful and examples, as follows:

"(33)(A) For any person, firm, partnership, association, or corporation to issue a gift certificate, store gift card, or general use gift card without:

(i) Including the terms of the gift certificate, store gift card, or general use gift card in the packaging which accompanies the certificate or card at the time of

purchase, as well as making such terms available upon request; and

(ii) Conspicuously printing the expiration date, if applicable, on the certificate or card and conspicuously printing the amount of any dormancy or nonuse fees on:

(I) The certificate or card; or

(II) A sticker affixed to the certificate or card.

A gift certificate, store gift card, or general use gift card shall be valid in accordance with its terms in exchange for merchandise or services.

(B) As used in this paragraph, the term:

(i) 'General use gift card' means a plastic card or other electronic payment device which is usable at multiple, unaffiliated merchants or service providers; is issued in an amount which amount may or may not be, at the option of the issuer, increased in value or reloaded if requested by the holder; is purchased or loaded on a prepaid basis by a consumer; and is honored upon presentation by merchants for goods or services.

(ii) 'Gift certificate' means a written promise that is usable at a single merchant or an affiliated group of merchants that share the same name, mark, or logo; is issued in a specified amount and cannot be increased in value on the face thereof; is purchased on a prepaid basis by a consumer in exchange for payment; and is honored upon presentation for goods or services by such single merchant or affiliated group of merchants that share the same name, mark, or logo.

(iii) 'Store gift card' means a plastic card or other electronic payment device which is usable at a single merchant or an affiliated group of merchants that share the same name, mark, or logo; is issued in a specified amount and may or may not be increased in value or reloaded; is purchased on a prepaid basis by a consumer in exchange for payment; and is honored upon presentation for goods or services by such single merchant or affiliated group of merchants that share the same name, mark, or logo; ~~and~~

(34) For any person, firm, partnership, business, association, or corporation to willfully and knowingly accept or use an individual taxpayer identification number issued by the Internal Revenue Service for fraudulent purposes and in violation of federal law; and

(35) Knowingly presenting for recording a one-to-four family residential real estate document to the clerk of superior court that the presenter knew at the time of presentation resulted from actions that constitute the unauthorized practice of law in violation of paragraph (2) of Code Section 15-19-50 or paragraph (4) of Code Section 15-19-50 or any advisory opinions issued by the Supreme Court of Georgia related to such paragraphs."

**SECTION 2-2.**

Part 1 of Article 1 of Chapter 2 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to recording of deeds and other real property transactions, is amended by adding a new subsection to Code Section 44-2-14, relating to requirements for recordation, to read as follows:

"(e) Any instrument presented to the clerk of superior court for recordation that requires an official and an unofficial witness may be admitted to record if the apparent signatures of both witnesses and any required seals are present on or in such document. The clerk shall have no further duty to examine the circumstances of the witnessing, or witnesses, method or location of same."

**SECTION 2-3.**

Said part is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"44-2-31.

(a) Any requirement that an instrument, document, deed or real estate document be witnessed, attested, or acknowledged by an unofficial witness is satisfied if:

(1) The witness is physically present with the signer, personally sees the signer execute the instrument, document, or deed and executes the instrument, document, or deed by hand in ink; or

(2) The witness is physically present with the signer, personally sees the signer electronically execute the instrument, document, or real estate document, or is physically present in this state and sees the signer electronically execute the instrument, document, or real estate document by the use of communication technology in accordance with Chapter 17 of Title 45, and electronically executes the instrument, document, or real estate document by the use of communication technology in accordance with Chapter 17 of Title 45.

(b) Terms used in this Code Section shall have the same meanings as provided for in Code Section 45-17-1."

**SECTION 2-4.**

Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to inspection of public records, is amended by revising paragraph (12) of subsection (a) of Code Section 50-18-72, relating to when public disclosure not required, as follows:

"(12) Records consisting of any audiovisual recording of the performance of a remote online notarization process as provided for by Code Section 45-17-8.5 ~~Reserved~~;"

**PART III**
**SECTION 3-1.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 3-2.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Albers of the 56nd moved that the Senate agree to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 334.

Senator Strickland of the 17th moved that HB 334 be placed on the Table.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| N Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| N Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 46, nays 6; the motion prevailed, and HB 334 was placed on the Table.

Senator Robertson of the 29th asked unanimous consent that HB 241, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 241, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 241. By Representatives Gambill of the 15th, Lumsden of the 12th, Williams of the 148th, Gaines of the 117th and Smith of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-7-6 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property insurance, contract requirements, rules and regulations, and exemptions, so as to revise the meaning of property insurance; to change the parameters under which certain contracts, agreements, or instruments may be canceled; to provide for penalties; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Robertson of the 29th.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 50, nays 0.

HB 241, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Senator Jones of the 25th asked unanimous consent that HB 574, having been placed on the Table on Monday, March 29, 2021, be taken from the Table.

The consent was granted, and pursuant to Senate Rule 4-2.9(a), HB 574, having been taken from the Table, was read the third time and put upon its passage.

HB 574. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Cameron of the 1st, Hill of the 3rd, Houston of the 170th, Jenkins of the 132nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 4-11-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, so as to provide for a Companion Local Government Animal Trust Fund for reimbursement of

impoundment expenses incurred by local governments; to provide for annual reporting; to provide for promulgation of regulations; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for an effective date and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senate Sponsor: Senator Jones of the 25th.

The Senate Committee on Finance offered the following substitute to HB 574:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 4-11-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, so as to provide for a Local Government Companion Animal Trust Fund for reimbursement of impoundment expenses incurred by local governments; to provide for annual reporting; to provide for promulgation of regulations; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for an effective date and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 4-11-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, is amended by revising subsection (c) and adding a new subsection to read as follows:

"(c) Licenses shall be issued for a period of one year and shall be annually renewable. The Commissioner may establish separate classes of licenses, including wholesale and retail licenses. ~~The Commissioner shall fix fees for licenses so that the revenue derived from licenses shall approximate the total direct cost of administering this article.~~ The Commissioner may establish different fees for the different classes of licenses established, but the annual fee for any such license shall be at least $50.00 but shall not exceed $400.00. ~~Any fees collected pursuant to this Code section shall be retained pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 45-12-92.1.~~

(c.1)(1)(A) For the period beginning on July 1, 2021, and ending on June 30, 2031, fees identified in subsection (c) of this Code section shall be renewed and, under the authority granted and subject to the conditions imposed by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(r) of the Constitution of Georgia, no more than $50,000.00 of such collected fees shall be dedicated to the Local Government Companion Animal Trust Fund as provided for in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph, provided that the total amount of funds in such fund at any time shall not exceed $200,000.00, and such

amounts shall not lapse as otherwise required by Article III, Section IX, Paragraph IV(c) of the Constitution of Georgia.

(B) There is established the Local Government Companion Animal Trust Fund as a separate fund of the department. The department shall accept applications from qualified local governments as defined in paragraph (18) of subsection (a) of Code Section 50-8-2 for reimbursement of expenses incurred by such local governments impounding more than 29 dogs or cats or more than 9 equines as part of any investigation of a violation of Code Section 4-11-9.2, 16-12-4, or 16-12-37, or otherwise providing care for more than 29 dogs or cats or more than 9 equines impounded pursuant to this article or local ordinance. The department shall provide reimbursement to such local governments of such expenses as it deems reasonably and appropriately incurred.

(2)(A) The Commissioner shall administer the provisions of this subsection and shall prepare, by February 1 of each year, an accounting of the funds received and expended pursuant to this subsection. The report shall be made available to the House Committee on Agriculture and Consumer Affairs and the Senate Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Committee.

(B) The Commissioner shall retain annually up to $10,000.00 of the funds collected pursuant to this subsection to offset the costs to the state of implementing and administering this subsection.

(3) The department shall promulgate rules and regulations as necessary to implement the provisions of this subsection.

(4) This subsection shall stand repealed and reserved on July 1, 2031."

**SECTION 2.**

In accordance with the requirements of Article III, Section IX, Paragraph VI(r) of the Constitution of Georgia, this Act shall not become law unless it receives the requisite two-thirds' majority vote in both the Senate and the House of Representatives and the amount of the funds dedicated by this Act do not equal or exceed 1 percent of the previous fiscal year's state revenues subject to appropriations.

**SECTION 3.**

Except as provided for in Section 2 of this Act, this Act shall become effective on July 1, 2021.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

On the adoption of the substitute, there were no objections, and the committee substitute was adopted.

The report of the committee, which was favorable to the passage of the bill by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the bill, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
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| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
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| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the passage of the bill, the yeas were 51, nays 0.

HB 574, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed by substitute.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 164. By Senators Hufstetler of the 52nd, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Orrock of the 36th and Butler of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 15-11-471, Title 16, and Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the O.C.G.A., relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, crimes and offenses, and who may perform HIV tests, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of HIV related laws to align with science to ensure that laws and policies support current understanding of best public health practices for preventing and treating HIV, scientific evidence about routes of transmission, and the public health goals of promoting HIV prevention and treatment; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 164:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Code Section 15-11-471, Title 16, and Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, crimes and offenses, and who may perform HIV tests, respectively, so as to provide for the modernization of HIV related laws to align with science to ensure that laws and policies support current understanding of best public health practices for preventing and treating HIV, scientific evidence about routes of transmission, and the public health goals of promoting HIV prevention and treatment; to revise definitions; to provide that certain conduct by a person living with HIV is unlawful if such conduct has a significant risk of transmission; to provide that hypodermic needles and syringes are not considered drug related objects; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Code Section 15-11-471 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to juvenile delinquency, is amended by revising paragraph (7) as follows:

"(7) 'HIV test' means any antibody, antigen, viral particle, viral culture, or other test to indicate the presence of HIV in the human body~~, and such test has been approved for such purposes by the regulations of the Department of Community Health~~."

**SECTION 2.**

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-5-60, relating to reckless conduct causing harm to or endangering the bodily safety of another, conduct by HIV infected persons, and assault by HIV infected persons or hepatitis infected persons, as follows:

"16-5-60.

(a)(1) Any term used in this Code section and defined in Code Section 31-22-9.1 shall have the meaning provided for such term in Code Section 31-22-9.1.

(2) As used in this Code section, the term 'person living with HIV' means a person who has a confirmed positive HIV test, whether or not that person has AIDS, or who has been clinically diagnosed as having AIDS.

(b) A person who causes bodily harm to or endangers the bodily safety of another person by consciously disregarding a substantial and unjustifiable risk that his or her act or omission will cause harm or endanger the safety of the other person and the disregard constitutes a gross deviation from the standard of care which a reasonable person would exercise in the situation is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) A person ~~who is an HIV infected person~~ living with HIV who~~, after obtaining~~

~~knowledge of being infected with HIV~~:

(1) Knowingly engages in a sexual act with the intent to transmit HIV and ~~intercourse or performs or submits to any sexual act involving the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another person and the HIV infected person~~ does not disclose his or her status as being a person living with HIV to the other person ~~the fact of that infected person's being an HIV infected person~~ prior to that ~~intercourse or~~ sexual act~~;~~ when such act has a significant risk of transmission based on current scientifically supported levels of risk of transmission; provided, however, that this paragraph shall not apply to a person living with HIV who is forced into a sexual act against his or her will; or

~~(2) Knowingly allows another person to use a hypodermic needle, syringe, or both, for the introduction of drugs or any other substance into or for the withdrawal of body fluids from the other person's body and the needle or syringe so used had been previously used by the HIV infected person for the introduction of drugs or any other substance into or for the withdrawal of body fluids from the HIV infected person's body and where that infected person does not disclose to the other person the fact of that infected person's being an HIV infected person prior to such use;~~

~~(3)~~(2) Offers or consents to perform with another person ~~an act of~~ a sexual ~~intercourse~~ act for money with the intent to transmit HIV without disclosing his or her status as being a person living with HIV to that other person ~~the fact of that infected person's being an HIV infected person~~ prior to offering or consenting to perform ~~that~~ the sexual act ~~of sexual intercourse;~~ when such act has a significant risk of transmission based on current scientifically supported levels of risk of transmission

~~(4) Solicits another person to perform or submit to an act of sodomy for money without disclosing to that other person the fact of that infected person's being an HIV infected person prior to soliciting that act of sodomy; or~~

~~(5) Donates blood, blood products, other body fluids, or any body organ or body part without previously disclosing the fact of that infected person's being an HIV infected person to the person drawing the blood or blood products or the person or entity collecting or storing the other body fluids, body organ, or body part~~,

is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than ~~ten~~ five years.

~~(d) A person who is an HIV infected person or hepatitis infected person and who, after obtaining knowledge of being infected with HIV or hepatitis, commits an assault with the intent to transmit HIV or hepatitis, using his or her body fluids (blood, semen, or vaginal secretions), saliva, urine, or feces upon:~~

~~(1) A peace officer while the peace officer is engaged in the performance of his or her official duties or on account of the peace officer's performance of his or her official duties; or~~

~~(2) A correctional officer while the correctional officer is engaged in the performance of his or her official duties or on account of the correctional officer's performance of his or her official duties~~

~~is guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by imprisonment for not less than five nor more than 20 years.~~"

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-1, relating to drug related objects, by revising paragraph (3) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(3) 'Drug related object' means any machine, instrument, tool, equipment, contrivance, or device which an average person would reasonably conclude is intended to be used for one or more of the following purposes:

(A) To introduce into the human body any dangerous drug or controlled substance under circumstances in violation of the laws of this state;

(B) To enhance the effect on the human body of any dangerous drug or controlled substance under circumstances in violation of the laws of this state;

(C) To conceal any quantity of any dangerous drug or controlled substance under circumstances in violation of the laws of this state; or

(D) To test the strength, effectiveness, or purity of any dangerous drug or controlled substance under circumstances in violation of the laws of this state.

This term shall not include a hypodermic needle or syringe."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-13-25.1.

Any prescription drug that is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration shall be excluded from Schedule I. Such prescription drug shall be designated, rescheduled, or deleted as a controlled substance pursuant to Code Section 16-13-22."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-32, relating to transactions in drug related objects, civil forfeiture, and penalties, by revising subsections (a) and (e) as follows:

"(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Drug related object' means any instrument, device, or object which is designed or marketed as useful primarily for one or more of the following purposes:

(A) To ~~inject,~~ ingest, inhale, or otherwise introduce marijuana or a controlled substance into the human body;

(B) To enhance the effect of marijuana or a controlled substance on the human body;

(C) To test the strength, effectiveness, or purity of marijuana or a controlled substance;

(D) To process or prepare marijuana or a controlled substance for introduction into the human body;

(E) To conceal any quantity of marijuana or a controlled substance; or

(F) To contain or hold marijuana or a controlled substance while it is being introduced into the human body.

This term shall not include a hypodermic needle or syringe.

(2) 'Knowing' means either actual or constructive knowledge of the drug related nature of the object; and a person or corporation has constructive knowledge of the drug related

nature of the object if he or it has knowledge of facts which would put a reasonable and prudent person on notice of the drug related nature of the object."

"(e) All instruments, devices, and drug related objects which are distributed or possessed in violation of this Code section and any proceeds are declared to be contraband, and no person shall have a property right in them and shall be forfeited according to the procedure set forth in Chapter 16 of Title 9. As used in this subsection, the term 'proceeds' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 9-16-2."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-13-32.1, relating to transactions in drug related objects, evidence as to whether object is drug related, civil forfeiture, and penalties, as follows:

"16-13-32.1.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person or corporation to sell, rent, lease, give, exchange, otherwise distribute, or possess with intent to distribute any object or materials of any kind which such person or corporation intends to be used for the purpose of planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, ~~injecting,~~ ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body marijuana or a controlled substance.

(b) Unless stated within the body of the advertisement or notice that the object or materials that are advertised or about which information is disseminated are not available for distribution of any sort in this state, it shall be unlawful for any person or corporation to sell, rent, lease, give, exchange, distribute, or possess with intent to distribute any advertisement of any kind or notice of any kind which gives information, directly or indirectly, on where, how, from whom, or by what means any object or materials may be obtained or made, which object or materials such person or corporation intends to be used for the purpose of planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, ~~injecting,~~ ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body marijuana or a controlled substance.

(c) In determining whether any object or materials are intended for any of the purposes listed in subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section, a court or other authority shall consider all logically relevant factors. In a trial under this Code section, any evidence admissible on this question under the rules of evidence shall be admitted. Subject to the rules of evidence, when they are the object of an offer of proof in a court proceeding, the following factors are among those that should be considered by a court or other authority on this question:

(1) Statements by an owner or anyone in control of the object or materials;

(2) Instructions provided with the object or materials;

(3) Descriptive materials accompanying the object or materials;

(4) National and local advertising or promotional materials concerning the object or materials;

(5) The appearance of, and any writing or other representations appearing on, the object or materials;

(6) The manner in which the object or materials are displayed for sale or other distribution;

(7) Expert testimony concerning the object or materials; and

(8) Any written or pictorial materials which are present in the place where the object is located.

(d) For a first offense, any person or corporation which violates any provision of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. For a second offense, the defendant shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature. For a third or subsequent offense, the defendant shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, shall be imprisoned for not less than one year nor more than five years and shall be fined not more than $5,000.00.

(e) All objects and materials which are distributed or possessed in violation of this Code section and any proceeds are declared to be contraband and no person shall have a property right in them and shall be forfeited according to the procedure set forth in Chapter 16 of Title 9. As used in this subsection, the term 'proceeds' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 9-16-2.

(f) This Code section shall not apply to hypodermic needles or syringes."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-13-32.2, relating to possession and use of drug related objects, as follows:

"16-13-32.2.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to use, or possess with the intent to use, any object or materials of any kind for the purpose of planting, propagating, cultivating, growing, harvesting, manufacturing, compounding, converting, producing, processing, preparing, testing, analyzing, packaging, repackaging, storing, containing, concealing, ~~injecting,~~ ingesting, inhaling, or otherwise introducing into the human body marijuana or a controlled substance.

(b) Any person or corporation which violates any provision of this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) This Code section shall not apply to hypodermic needles or syringes."

**SECTION 8.**

Code Section 31-22-9.1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to who may perform HIV tests, is amended by revising paragraph (12) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(12) 'HIV test' means any antibody, antigen, viral particle, viral culture, or other test to indicate the presence of HIV in the human body~~, which test has been approved for such purposes by the regulations of the department~~."

**SECTION 9.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Hufstetler of the 52nd asked unanimous consent that the Senate disagree to the House substitute to SB 164.

The consent was granted, and the Senate disagreed to the House substitute to SB 164.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 115. By Senators Robertson of the 29th, Albers of the 56th, Harper of the 7th, Payne of the 54th and Cowsert of the 46th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding drivers' licenses, so as to provide for an instructional course or presentation educating drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; to provide for duties by the Department of Driver Services and the Department of Public Safety; to provide for instructional content; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 115:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, so as to provide for a curriculum or presentation curriculum educating drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers; to provide for duties by the Department of Driver Services, Department of Public Safety, and the Georgia Public Safety Training Center; to provide for instructional content; to authorize a local governing body to apply for a permit to operate a traffic enforcement safety device which enforces the speed limit in a school zone by recorded images; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicles and traffic, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"40-5-10.

The Department of Public Safety, in collaboration with the Georgia Public Safety Training Center, shall develop a curriculum or presentation curriculum to educate

drivers and the public on the best practices to implement when interacting with law enforcement officers. Such curriculum shall be designed by the Georgia Public Safety Training Center and shall include, but not be limited to, electronic and video formats. Such curriculum shall be used as part of a driver education training course provided for by law. The department shall promulgate any rules and regulations necessary relating to driver training schools for purposes of this Code section. Such curriculum shall be designed to include the following information:

(1) The best practices of what a driver should do during a traffic stop initiated by a law enforcement officer;

(2) Recommendations for interacting with law enforcement officers during traffic stops;

(3) The consequences associated with continuous citations and habitual violations; and

(4) Understanding officer discretion in relation to action taken during a traffic stop, which may include, but not be limited to, requesting identification, use of force, detainment, pursuits, and legal warnings."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 40-14-18, relating to enforcement of speed limit in school zones with recorded images, civil monetary penalty, and vehicle registration and transfer of title restrictions for failure to pay penalty, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a)(1) The speed limit within any school zone as provided for in Code Section 40-14-8 and marked pursuant to Code Section 40-14-6 may be enforced by using photographically recorded images for violations which occurred only on a school day during the time in which instructional classes are taking place and one hour before such classes are scheduled to begin and for one hour after such classes have concluded when such violations are in excess of ten miles per hour over the speed limit.

(2) Prior to the placement of a device within a school zone, ~~each school within whose school zone such~~ the local governing body of the county or municipality whose law enforcement agency shall be authorized to enforce the speed limit where an automated traffic enforcement safety device is to be placed shall first apply for and secure a permit from the Department of Transportation for the use of such automated traffic enforcement safety device. Such permit shall be awarded based upon need. The Department of Transportation shall promulgate rules and regulations for the implementation of this paragraph."

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Robertson of the 29th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 115.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | E Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| E Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| N Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 23, nays 26; the motion lost, and the Senate did not agree to the House substitute to SB 115.

Senator Robertson of the 29th moved that the Senate reconsider its action in not agreeing to the House substitute to SB 115.

On the motion to reconsider, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | N Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | N Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | N Sims |
| N Cowsert | N Jones, B. | N Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |

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| N Dolezal | N Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | N Lucas | Y Walker |
| N Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 22, nays 29; the motion lost, and SB 115 was not reconsidered.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills and Resolution of the House:

HB 306. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Kelley of the 16th, Holcomb of the 81st, Reeves of the 34th, Momtahan of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to meetings, so as to provide that a corporation may hold annual shareholders' meetings and special shareholders' meetings by means of remote communication; to provide for requirements for such meetings by remote communication; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 317. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Frye of the 118th, Smith of the 133rd, Rich of the 97th, Dollar of the 45th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 13 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to excise tax on rooms, lodgings, and accommodations, so as to revise the definition of "innkeeper" to include marketplace facilitators; to define the term "marketplace innkeeper"; to expand the state levy of a nightly excise tax to include all rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; to provide for exceptions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 577. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Jasperse of the 11th, Burns of the 159th, Anulewicz of the 42nd and Wiedower of the 119th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 and Code Section 40-6-181

of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to highways, bridges, and ferries and maximum speed limits, respectively, so as to provide for a proposal guaranty for bids upon certain projects; to provide for the licensing of airports; to provide for definitions; to provide for issuance of cease and desist orders and punishment; to provide for posting of signage of maximum speed limits; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 588. By Representatives Jasperse of the 11th, Burns of the 159th, Hatchett of the 150th, Smyre of the 135th, Ballinger of the 23rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 32 of the O.C.G.A., relating to highways, bridges, and ferries, so as to provide for eligible expenditures for the Georgia Freight Railroad Program of the Georgia Department of Transportation; to amend Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to revenue and taxation, so as to provide for an exemption to state sales and use tax; to amend Code Section 52-2-5 of the O.C.G.A., relating to composition of the Georgia Ports Authority; appointment, terms, and qualifications of members generally; to provide for related matters; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HR 144. By Representative Williams of the 145th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Ms. Katie Poff and dedicating an intersection in her memory; and for other purposes.

The House has passed, by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 46. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to authorize certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; to provide for vaccination information to third parties under certain public health conditions; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, so as to revise certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccines under vaccine protocol agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House insists on its position in amending the Senate substitute, and has appointed a Committee of Conference to confer with a like committee on the part of the Senate on the following Bill of the House:

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Speaker has appointed on the part of the House, Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, and Efstration of the 104th.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute, as amended by the House, to the following Bill of the House:

HB 477. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Smith of the 70th, Rhodes of the 120th and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-7-29.12 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to tax credit for qualified donation of real property, carryover of credit, appraisals, transfer of credit, and penalty, so as to extend the sunset date for applications for the tax credit for qualified donations of real property; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 409. By Representatives Gunter of the 8th, Fleming of the 121st, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Kelley of the 16th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 15 of Title 45 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to counsel for public officials and agencies, so as to provide for a process for state-funded representation of certain judges in legal actions resulting from performance or nonperformance of their official duties; to provide for a definition; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense

Fund; to establish the Judicial Legal Defense Fund Commission; to provide for appointments and duties; to provide for requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Senator Hatchett of the 50th asked unanimous consent that the Senate adhere to its disagreement to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 409 and that a Conference Committee be appointed.

The consent was granted, and the President appointed as a Conference Committee the following Senators: Hatchett of the 50th, Strickland of the 17th and Kennedy of the 18th.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 156. By Senators Harbin of the 16th, Tippins of the 37th, Lucas of the 26th, Tillery of the 19th, Gooch of the 51st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, and authority of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to provide reports related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits and implement effective strategies for the timely payment of benefits; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 156:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, so as to provide for the appointment, oath, bond, power, duties, authority, and removal of a chief labor officer; to require the chief labor officer to promptly respond to financial audits; to require the Commissioner of Labor to provide the chief labor officer with staff, resources, information, and records; to provide for access and dissemination of certain information and documents related to claims for unemployment benefits; to require the Commissioner of Labor to provide periodic reports containing certain information related to claims for unemployment compensation benefits; to provide members of the General Assembly with access to information and documents concerning constituents' claims for unemployment benefits with such individuals' consent; to require

the Department of Labor to develop and make available a consent form for such purpose; to provide for automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 34 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to labor and industrial relations, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"34-2-3.1.

(a) There is created the office of the chief labor officer, who shall exercise the authority of the Commissioner of Labor in matters specified in this Code section and whose actions in such matters shall have the same force and effect as the actions of the Commissioner of Labor.

(b) The chief labor officer shall have the power, authority, and duty to provide timely reports and responses to any financial audits of the Department of Labor and any inquiries from the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Lieutenant Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the chairs of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

(c) The chief labor officer shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, subject to confirmation by the Senate Committee on Government Oversight, and shall hold no other state office. He or she shall serve at the pleasure of the Speaker and may be removed by the Speaker upon confirmation by the Senate Committee on Government Oversight. The chief labor officer shall be required to take and subscribe before the Governor an oath to discharge faithfully and impartially the duties of such office, which oath shall be in addition to the oath required of all civil officers.

(d) The chief labor officer may be required by the Governor to give bond not to exceed the amount of any bond as may be required for the Commissioner of Labor. The premium on the bond shall be paid as an expense of the Department of Labor.

(e) The Commissioner of Labor shall provide the chief labor officer with sufficient staff and resources to enable him or her to fulfill the duties of such office set forth in this Code section.

(f) The chief labor officer shall be entitled to the same information and records regarding the Department of Labor as the Commissioner of Labor, and the Commissioner of Labor shall ensure that access to such information and records is timely provided.

(g) The chief labor officer shall have standing to file a mandamus action in Fulton County Superior Court if he or she contends that the Commissioner of Labor has abused his or her discretion with respect to the provision of staff, resources, information, or records the Commissioner of Labor is required to provide under this Code section.

(h) This Code section shall stand repealed on December 31, 2022, unless continued in effect by the General Assembly prior to that date."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 34-8-70, relating to duties and powers of the Commissioner, as follows:

"34-8-70.

(a) It shall be the duty of the Commissioner to administer this chapter.

(b) The Commissioner shall have power and authority to adopt, amend, or rescind such rules and regulations and to employ such persons, make such expenditures, require such reports, make such investigations, and take such other action as deemed necessary or suitable to that end, and such rules and regulations shall be effective upon publication in the manner, not inconsistent with this chapter, which the Commissioner shall prescribe.

(c) The Commissioner shall determine methods of organization and procedure in accordance with this chapter and shall have an official seal, which shall be judicially noticed.

(d) Not later than February 1 of each year, the Commissioner shall submit to the Governor a report covering the administration and operation of this chapter during the preceding fiscal year and shall make such recommendations for amendments to this chapter as deemed proper. Such report shall include a balance sheet of the moneys in the fund in which there shall be provided, if possible, a reserve against the liability in the future years to pay benefits in excess of the then current contributions, which reserve shall be established by the Commissioner in accordance with accepted actuarial principles on the basis of statistics regarding employment, business activity, and other relevant factors for the longest possible period.

(e) Every Monday, the Commissioner shall submit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority leader of the House of Representatives, the minority leader of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, the majority leader of the Senate, and the minority leader of the Senate a report specifying for the week prior and for the calendar year to date as to claims for unemployment compensation benefits the number of:

(1) Claims filed with the department;

(2) Unpaid claims;

(3) Claims at each stage of the process provided under this chapter for the filing, payment, and adjudication of such claims;

(4) Inquiries submitted by members of the General Assembly on behalf of their constituents who are experiencing issues with a claim for unemployment compensation benefits; and

(5) Inquiries submitted by members of the General Assembly on behalf of their constituents whose issues have not been resolved.

If the Monday report day is a state holiday, the report shall be submitted the first weekday that is not holiday that immediately follows such Monday.

~~(e)~~(f) Whenever the Commissioner believes that a change in contribution or benefit rates will become necessary to protect the solvency of the fund, the Commissioner shall promptly so inform the Governor and the General Assembly and make recommendations with respect thereto.

~~(f)~~(g) The Commissioner shall fully cooperate with the agencies of other states and shall make every proper effort to oppose and prevent any further action which would in the Commissioner's judgment tend to effect complete or substantial federalization of state unemployment compensation funds or state employment security programs. In addition, the Commissioner may make and may cooperate with other appropriate agencies in making studies as to the practicality and probable cost of possible new state administered social security programs and the relative desirability of state, rather than federal, action in any such field.

~~(g)~~(h) The Commissioner is authorized to enter into such cooperative agreements or contracts with appropriate officials in other states or with the United States secretary of labor for the purpose of the reciprocal collection of overpayments or delinquent contributions, penalties, interest, and costs or for such other purposes as reasonably relate to the discharge of the Commissioner's responsibilities under this chapter.

~~(h)~~(i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the Commissioner may recover an overpayment of benefits paid to any individual under this state or another state's unemployment benefit law or under an unemployment benefit program of the United States.

~~(i)~~(j)(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Commissioner shall have the authority to adopt emergency rules when a state-wide emergency declared by the Governor is in effect and the General Assembly is not in session. Such rules may temporarily:

(A) Modify the maximum benefit amount for regular state benefits, not to exceed 26 times the weekly benefit amount;

(B) Suspend unemployment insurance tax filing and payment deadlines and penalties;

(C) Waive charges to employers for benefits paid;

(D) Expedite the processing of claims; and

(E) Waive work search reporting requirements.

(2) Any emergency rule adopted by the Commissioner pursuant to this subsection shall expire the earlier of:

(A) A date specified by the Commissioner not to exceed 120 days from the date of the adoption of such emergency rule; or

(B) The date on which the state-wide emergency ends as declared by the Governor.

(3) Any emergency rule adopted pursuant to this subsection shall be published on the website of the department and submitted as promptly as reasonably practicable to the Governor, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the chairpersons of the House Committee on Industry and Labor and the Senate Insurance and Labor Committee.

(4) Any rule promulgated under this Code section shall not supersede an executive order of the Governor."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 34-8-125, relating to information or

records by governmental agencies and penalty for violation, as follows:

"34-8-125.

(a) Governmental agencies, including law enforcement agencies, prosecuting agencies, and the executive branch, whether state, local, or federal, shall have access to information or records deemed private and confidential under this article if the information or records are needed by the agency for official purposes and:

(1) The agency submits an application in writing to the department for the records or information containing a statement of the official purposes for which the information or records are needed and specific identification of the records or information sought from the department;

(2) The commissioner, chief executive, or other responsible official of the requesting agency has verified the need for the specific information in writing either on the application or on a separate document; and

(3) The agency requesting access has served a copy of the application for records or information on the individual or employing unit whose records or information are sought and has provided the department with proof of service. Service shall be made in the same manner as service of process in a civil action. The requesting agency shall include with the copy of the application a statement to the effect that the individual or employing unit may contact the public records officer of the department to state any objections to the release of the records or information. The department shall not act upon the application of the requesting agency until at least five days after service on the concerned individual or employing unit. The department shall consider any objections raised by the concerned individual or employing unit in deciding whether the requesting agency needs the information or records for official purposes.

(b) In cases of emergency, the governmental agency requesting access shall not be required to comply formally with the provisions of subsection (a) of this Code section at the time of the request if the procedures required by subsection (a) of this Code section are complied with by the requesting agency following the receipt of any records or information deemed private and confidential under this article. An emergency is defined as a situation in which irreparable harm or damage could occur if records or information ~~are~~ is not released immediately.

(c) The requirements of paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of this Code section shall not apply to governmental agencies ~~where~~ wherein the procedures would frustrate the investigation of possible violations of criminal laws.

(d) Governmental agencies shall have access to certain records or information, limited to such items as names, addresses, social security numbers, and general information about benefit entitlement or employer information possessed by the department, for comparison purposes with records or information possessed by the requesting agency to detect improper or fraudulent claims, to determine eligibility or entitlement to public programs, or to determine potential tax liability or employer compliance with registration and licensing requirements. In those cases, the governmental agency shall not be required to comply with paragraph (3) of subsection (a) of this Code section, but the requirements of the remainder of subsection (a) of this Code section must be satisfied.

(e) Members of the General Assembly may be granted access to information and records deemed private and confidential under this article, unless exempt from disclosure, for the purpose of assisting individual constituents with issues they may be experiencing with claims for unemployment compensation. In order to grant access to such information and records, the individual shall sign a consent form for the member of the General Assembly and his or her staff, granting them access to all records and information concerning that individual that are held by the department. The department shall develop a consent form to be used under this subsection and shall provide members of the General Assembly with access to such form on or before September 1, 2021.

~~(e)~~(f) Disclosure ~~to governmental agencies~~ under this Code section of information or records obtained by the department from the federal government shall be governed by any applicable federal law or any agreement between the federal government and the department where so required by federal law. State law shall control when federal law does not apply to the records or information.

~~(f)~~(g) The disclosure of any records or information ~~by a governmental agency which has~~ obtained ~~the records or information~~ under this Code section is prohibited unless the disclosure is directly connected to the official purpose for which the records or information was obtained. The willful violation of this subsection shall upon conviction constitute a misdemeanor."

**SECTION 4.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 5.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Parent of the 42nd asked unanimous consent that Senator Halpern of the 39th be excused. The consent was granted, and Senator Halpern was excused.

Senator Thompson of the 14th asked unanimous consent that he be excused from voting on SB 156 pursuant to Senate Rule 5-1.8(d). The consent was granted, and Senator Thompson was excused.

Senator Harbin of the 16th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 156.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| N Au | Hatchett | Y Payne |

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| N Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| N Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | N Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | N Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | N Jordan | E Thompson |
| N Dugan | N Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| N Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | E Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 29, nays 20; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 156.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 6. By Senators Albers of the 56th, Hufstetler of the 52nd, Mullis of the 53rd, Gooch of the 51st, Strickland of the 17th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 28 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to fiscal bills generally, so as to provide for independent economic analyses to be procured by the Office of Planning and Budget for certain tax benefits upon request by the chairpersons of the House Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Finance Committee; to provide a short title; to provide for limits; to provide for summaries to be attached to related fiscal notes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 327. By Representatives Momtahan of the 17th, Kelley of the 16th, Efstration of the 104th, Reeves of the 34th, Allen of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to prevent organized retail crime; to amend

Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the O.C.G.A., relating to selling and other trade practices, so as to provide for definitions; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale and purchase of stored value cards; to provide for certain record-keeping and reporting requirements for the sale of goods by third-party sellers on online marketplaces; to provide for penalties for failure to comply; to provide for confidentiality; to amend Article 1 of Chapter 8 of Title 16 of the O.C.G.A., relating to theft, so as to define certain terms relating to retail property fencing, shoplifting, and refund fraud; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the following Bill of the House:

HB 81. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, Burns of the 159th and England of the 116th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to make and provide appropriations for the State Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022; to make and provide such appropriations for the operation of the state government and its departments, boards, bureaus, commissions, institutions, and other agencies, for the university system, common schools, counties, municipalities, and political subdivisions, for all other governmental activities, projects, and undertakings authorized by law, and for all leases, contracts, agreements, and grants authorized by law; to provide for the control and administration of funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 617. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Rhodes of the 120th, Fleming of the 121st, Smyre of the 135th and Singleton of the 71st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 3 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to postsecondary education, so as to provide that student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletic programs at postsecondary educational institutions may receive compensation for the use of the student athlete's name, image, or likeness; to provide for application to intercollegiate athletic associations; to allow for professional representation of

such student athletes participating in intercollegiate athletics; to provide for findings; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House amendment to the Senate amendment was as follows:

The House offers the following amendment:

*Amend the Senate amendment (AM 49 0036) to HB 617 (LC 49 0503S) by striking lines 34 through 39 and inserting in lieu thereof the following:*

20-3-683.

(a) The provisions of this article shall become effective on July 1, 2021, and shall remain in effect until the earlier of:

(1) The effective date of any federal law enacted after March 31, 2021, regulating the rights of student athletes to receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness;

(2) The effective date of any policy, rule, or regulation adopted after March 31, 2021, which allows student athletes to receive compensation for the use of their name, image, or likeness; or

(3) June 30, 2025.

(b) Upon the occurrence of one of the events provided for in subsection (a) of this Code section, this article shall be rendered null and without effect as a matter of law.

Senator Cowsert of the 46th moved that the Senate agree to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to HB 617.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | Y Harbin | N Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| N Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |

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| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 43, nays 8; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to HB 617.

Senator Dugan of the 30th asked unanimous consent to suspend Senate Rule 2-8.3(b), which requires Conference Committee Reports to be distributed two hours prior to consideration, to consider the Conference Committee Report to SB 195. The consent was granted.

The following bill was taken up to consider the Conference Committee Report thereto:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Conference Committee Report was as follows:

The Committees of Conference on SB 195 recommend that both the Senate and the House of Representatives recede from their positions and that the attached Committee of Conference Substitute to SB 195 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

| FOR THE SENATE: | FOR THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES: |
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| /s/ Senator Brass of the 28th | /s/ Representative Gravley of the 67th |
| /s/ Senator Jackson of the 2nd | /s/ Representative Watson of the 172nd |
| /s/ Senator Watson of the 1st | /s/ Representative Smyre of the 135th |

COMMITTEES OF CONFERENCE SUBSTITUTE TO SB 195

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and

offenses, so as to provide that low THC oil, marijuana, and tetrahydrocannabinols do not include certain federally approved products; to update and revise provisions; to revise definitions; to provide for review of new treatment and delivery methods; to repeal a provision relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications; to provide for additional powers of the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission; to revise provisions relating to dispensing; to provide for the issuance of dispensing licenses to production licensees; to provide for recommendations and input from the oversight committee; to provide for fees for dispensing licenses; to authorize the commission to require a comparable surety in lieu of a bond; to provide for coordination with the Georgia Composite Medical Board; to provide a method for the issuance of subsequent production licenses; to provide for permits to colleges and universities within this state to conduct medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 production licensee; to remove epidiolex as a Schedule V controlled substance; to provide for related matters; to provide for legislative findings; to provide for application; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to crimes and offenses, is amended by revising Code Section 16-12-190, relating to the definition of low THC oil, as follows:

"16-12-190.

As used in this article, the term 'low THC oil' means an oil that contains an amount of cannabidiol and not more than 5 percent by weight of tetrahydrocannabinol, tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, or a combination of tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid which does not contain plant material exhibiting the external morphological features of the plant of the genus Cannabis. Such term shall not mean products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act."

**SECTION 2.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-200, relating to definitions, as follows:

"16-12-200.

As used in this article, the term:

(1) 'Applicant' means a corporate entity applying for a license pursuant to this article.

(2) 'Available capital' means corporate assets that are available to fund business operations in the event a license is awarded pursuant to Part 2 of this article.

(3) 'Class 1 production license' means a license to produce and manufacture low THC oil and products issued pursuant to Code Section 16-12-211.

(4) 'Class 2 production license' means a license to produce and manufacture low THC oil and products issued pursuant to Code Section 16-12-212.

(5) 'Commission' means the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission created pursuant to Code Section 16-12-202.

(6) 'Designated universities' means the University of Georgia and Fort Valley State University.

(7) 'Designated university license' means a license issued by the commission pursuant to this article to a designated university to, separately or jointly, produce, manufacture, and purchase low THC oil and products in accordance with this article.

(8) 'Dispense' means the sale or provision of low THC oil and products to registered patients by a dispensing licensee.

(9) 'Dispensing license' means a specialty license issued by the State Board of Pharmacy or the commission pursuant to Code Section 16-12-206 to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients.

(10) 'Grow' means cultivating and harvesting cannabis for use in producing low THC oil and products.

(11) 'Licensee' means any business, or owner of such business, with a valid license issued pursuant to this article.

(12) 'Low THC oil' shall have the same meaning as set forth in Code Section 16-12-190.

(13) 'Manufacture' means to process cannabis to produce low THC oil and products.

(14) 'Owner' means any person who directly or indirectly owns, actually or beneficially, or controls 5 percent or greater of interests of the applicant or any licensee. In the event that one person owns a beneficial right to interests and another person holds the voting rights with respect to such interests, then both shall be considered an owner of such interests.

(15) 'Product' means low THC oil delivered through an oil, tincture, transdermal patch, lotion, or capsule, except as prohibited by Code Section 16-12-234, but not including any food products infused with low THC oil, including, but not limited to, cookies, candies, or edibles.

(16) 'Registered patient' means an individual who is legally authorized to possess and use low THC oil and products pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18.

(17) 'Tracking system' means a seed-to-sale tracking system to track marijuana that is grown, processed, manufactured, transferred, stored, or disposed of and low THC oil and products that ~~is~~ are transferred, stored, sold, dispensed, or disposed of pursuant to this article."

**SECTION 3.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-203, relating to powers, duties, and responsibilities of the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission, as follows:

"16-12-203.

The commission shall have the following powers, duties, and responsibilities:

(1) To apply for, receive, and administer state funds appropriated to the commission, private grants and donations, and other funds and donations. The commission's annual

distributions shall be capped and limited to funds received from the sources specified in this paragraph. The commission shall ensure that its funds are not used as a supplement or secondary payor to any other third-party payor;

(2) To execute a contract or contracts to purchase or obtain low THC oil, cannabis, cannabinoids, or any other derivative, compound, or substantially similar products from any available legal source and to provide logistics related thereto in accordance with this article. Such contract or contracts may be executed with one or more qualified corporations or with one or more governmental entities. Purchases made pursuant to this paragraph shall not be subject to state purchasing laws contained in Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50 or in other provisions of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated;

(3) To utilize funds appropriated to the commission as may be necessary to purchase and transport low THC oil and products to the State of Georgia for use by registered patients;

(4) To develop, establish, maintain, and administer a low THC oil and products distribution network to obtain and distribute low THC oil and products to registered patients in this state and to coordinate the best use of facilities and resources to operate such distribution network;

(5) To establish procedures for inspecting production facilities operated by designated universities;

(6) To establish requirements and procedures to ensure quality control, security, and oversight of low THC oil and products production in this state, including, but not limited to, testing for purity and dosage levels and verification that product labels accurately reflect product content;

(7) To provide for oversight of tracking systems;

(8) To coordinate and assist in the collection of data to evaluate the provision of low THC oil and products in this state;

(9) To study the provision of low THC oil and products in this state to determine the best practices and methods of providing such services, to determine what changes are needed to improve the provision of low THC oil and products, and to report any proposed legislative changes to the General Assembly each year;

(10) To coordinate its activities with the Department of Public Health;

(11) To employ an executive director and other staff and to establish duties and responsibilities of such persons; ~~and~~

(12) To employ and manage consultants, as deemed necessary, in order to fulfill its duties and responsibilities under this article~~.~~;

(13) To review new treatment and delivery methods for low THC oil and products that may result from medical research and are not otherwise inconsistent with this article, and recommend statutory changes to the General Assembly to authorize such treatment and delivery methods and products;

(14) To be responsible for the noncriminal enforcement of the provisions of this article and to have all of the necessary duties, power, and authority to carry out such responsibility;

(15) To be authorized to draft, adopt, amend, repeal, and enforce such rules and

regulations as it deems necessary for the administration and enforcement of this article in the protection of public health, safety, and welfare;

(16) To enforce qualifications for licensure; and

(17) To levy fines for failure by a Class 1 production licensee, Class 2 production licensee, or dispensing licensee to operate in accordance with rules and regulations established by the commission within 14 days of written notice by the commission of specific violations. Such fines shall not exceed $25,000.00 for a first offense, $50,000.00 for a failure to remedy the offense within 60 days after written notice of a first offense, and $75,000.00 for subsequent failures to remedy noncompliance within 90 days after written notice of a first offense. Following a third written notice of a recurring violation, the commission may also order a licensee to cease operations for a period of up to 30 days to correct the violation. Any such fines or orders to cease operations shall be subject to Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act.'"

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-204, relating to the issuance of nontransferable designated university licenses for production of low THC oil, research on therapeutic use, reporting, collected information, and license revocation, as follows:

"16-12-204.

(a) ~~The~~ Upon request by a designated university, the commission shall issue nontransferable designated university licenses for the production of low THC oil and products. The licenses granted to designated universities pursuant to this Code section shall be in addition to any licenses issued pursuant to Part 2 of this article. The designated universities shall have the option to be licensed as a production facility, either separately or jointly. The designated universities shall be authorized to contract with private entities to fulfill the terms of the license, including contracting for the production of low THC oil and products. All contracts shall be approved by the commission.

(b) Each designated university may conduct research on marijuana for therapeutic use if such university is licensed as a production facility pursuant to this Code section. Effective January 1, 2020, and annually thereafter, the designated universities shall submit a report to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee and the House Committee on Health and Human Services, to include data and outcomes of the research conducted pursuant to this paragraph.

(c)(1) The commission shall collect the following information from each licensee:

(A) The amount of low THC oil and products produced by the licensee during each calendar year;

(B) The details of all production costs, including but not limited to seed, fertilizer, labor, advisory services, construction, and irrigation;

(C) The details of any items or services for which the licensee subcontracted and the costs of each subcontractor directly or indirectly working for the licensee;

(D) The amount of therapeutic chemicals produced resulting from the low THC oil and products manufactured pursuant to this article;

(E) The amounts paid each year to the licensee related to the licensee's production of low THC oil and products manufactured pursuant to this article; and

(F) The amount of low THC oil and products distributed to each dispensing licensee to dispense low THC oil and products in this state during each calendar year.

(2) The commission shall provide the information collected pursuant to this subsection for the previous calendar year in the form of a written report to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee and the House Committee on Health and Human Services no later than February 1 of each year. The commission shall also make a copy of such report available to the public by posting such report on the commission's website.

(d) The commission may revoke the license of a designated university if it is found by the commission to have violated any of the requirements established pursuant to this article."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by repealing and reserving Code Section 16-12-205, relating to the role of Georgia universities and testing of specifications.

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-206, relating to annual, nontransferable dispensing licenses and adoption of rules, as follows:

"16-12-206.

(a)(1) ~~The~~ Upon request by a licensed pharmacy in this state, the State Board of Pharmacy shall be authorized to develop an annual, nontransferable specialty dispensing license for ~~a~~ an independent pharmacy with a registered office located within this state to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The State Board of Pharmacy shall develop rules and regulations regarding dispensing pharmacies in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section.

(2) The commission shall be authorized to ~~develop an annual, nontransferable dispensing license~~ issue five dispensing licenses to each Class 1 production licensee and each Class 2 production licensee for retail outlets to dispense low THC oil and products to registered patients. The commission shall ensure that dispensing licenses shall be issued so that retail outlets are dispersed throughout the state. The commission shall develop rules and regulations regarding retail dispensing licensees in this state in accordance with the requirements contained in subsection (b) of this Code section. The commission shall be authorized to issue one additional dispensing license to each Class 1 and Class 2 production licensee when the Low THC Oil Patient Registry established and maintained pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18 reaches 25,000 patients and for every increase of 10,000 patients thereafter. ~~The commission shall ensure that retail outlets are dispersed throughout the state for access by registered patients.~~

(b) The State Board of Pharmacy and the commission shall ~~jointly~~ separately adopt rules relating to the dispensing of low THC oil and products, with the State Board of Pharmacy promulgating rules and regulations for pharmacies that dispense low THC oil and

products and the commission promulgating rules and regulations for other retail outlets that dispense low THC oil and products ~~by pharmacies and retail dispensing licensees~~. Such rules shall include but not be limited to:

(1) Standards, procedures, and protocols for the effective use of low THC oil and products as authorized by state law and related rules and regulations;

(2) Standards, procedures, and protocols for the dispensing of low THC oil and products by a pharmacy with a dispensing license and by retail dispensing licensees and for the utilization of a tracking system;

(3) Procedures and protocols to provide that no low THC oil or products may be sold to or transferred to a location outside of this state;

(4) The establishment of standards, procedures, and protocols for determining the amount of usable low THC oil and products that is necessary to constitute an adequate supply for registered patients in this state to ensure uninterrupted availability for a period of one month, including amounts for topical treatments;

(5) The establishment of standards, procedures, and protocols to ensure that all low THC oil and products dispensed ~~is~~ are consistently pharmaceutical grade;

(6) The establishment of standards and procedures for the revocation, suspension, and nonrenewal of dispensing licenses;

(7) The establishment of other licensing, renewal, and operational standards which are deemed necessary by the State Board of Pharmacy and the commission;

(8) The establishment of standards and procedures for testing low THC oil and products for levels of tetrahydrocannabinol or other testing parameters deemed appropriate by the State Board of Pharmacy and the commission;

(9) The establishment of health, safety, and security requirements for pharmacies and ~~other retail outlets~~ retail dispensing licensees dispensing low THC oil and products; and

(10) Requirements for the issuance of dispensing licenses to pharmacies and ~~other retail outlets~~ Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees.

(c) The commission shall each be authorized, by rules and regulations, to establish fees for dispensing licenses to Class 1 and Class 2 production licensees commensurate with the location of the retail outlet and demand for low THC oil and products at such location."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-207, relating to establishment of Medical Cannabis Commission Oversight Committee, membership, and inspections, as follows:

"16-12-207.

(a) The General Assembly shall establish a Medical Cannabis Commission Oversight Committee with two members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and two members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Any member of the Medical Cannabis Commission Oversight Committee shall be permitted to inspect any production facility upon request and after reasonable notice is provided to the production facility.

(b) The commission shall promptly provide any document or information requested by

the oversight committee that is in its possession, provided that the commission shall not share documents containing data identifying individual patients or physicians, information marked as trade secrets by applicants or licensees, information that in the view of the commission would interfere with an ongoing licensing applicant selection process, or information that in the judgment of the commission would create law enforcement or security risks to the citizens of Georgia.

(c) No later than August 1, 2021, the oversight committee shall recommend to the commission a process and plan for providing accredited lab testing of products produced by licensees and for labeling such products. The commission shall consider the recommendations of the oversight committee in adopting policies, procedures, and regulations regarding such testing and labeling.

(d) The oversight committee may regularly seek input from patients and physicians as to the availability and quality of products produced pursuant to this chapter, and recommend to the commission changes to policies, procedures, and regulations to improve availability and quality. The commission shall consider such recommendations in adopting policies, procedures, and regulations."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-210, relating to powers, duties, and responsibilities of commission, no undue burden on patients, and remission of fees, as follows:

"16-12-210.

(a) The commission shall have the following powers, duties, and responsibilities to implement the provisions of this part:

(1) Issue licenses related to the production, growing, and manufacturing of low THC oil and products in accordance with the provisions of this part;

(2) Coordinate with the Georgia Bureau of Investigation to implement security plans and enforce the provisions of this part;

(3) Establish procedures for granting licenses, testing products, and inspecting facilities;

(4) Establish requirements and procedures to ensure quality control, security, and oversight of all low THC oil and product production in this state, including, but not limited to, conducting testing for purity and dosage levels and verifying that product labels accurately reflect product content. The commission is authorized to contract with private laboratories to perform the functions described in this paragraph;

(5) Establish procedures and ensure sufficient resources are available to receive and resolve complaints from registered patients;

(6) Establish applications and forms necessary to carry out the provisions of this part;

(7) Establish criteria for applicants and licensees as necessary to ensure market stability and adequate supply;

(8) Provide for the selection, implementation, and oversight of tracking systems;

(9) Provide oversight of licensee reporting, data collection, and analysis;

(10) Establish requirements and procedures for marketing and signage; and

(11) Promulgate rules and regulations and adopt policies and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions of this part.

(b) The commission shall not promulgate any rules or regulations that would unduly burden access to low THC oil or products by registered patients.

(c) All fees collected by the commission shall be remitted to the general fund of the state treasury."

**SECTION 9.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a), (b), and (g) of Code Section 16-12-211, relating to Class 1 production licenses, application fee, revocation, limitation on ownership, and replacement licenses, as follows:

"(a) The commission may issue up to two Class 1 production licenses. A Class 1 production licensee shall be authorized to:

(1) Grow cannabis only in indoor facilities for use in producing low THC oil, limited to 100,000 square feet of cultivation space; and

(2) Manufacture low THC oil and products.

(b) Class 1 production licenses shall be issued to applicants selected by the commission following a competitive application and review process in accordance with the requirements set forth in this part. An applicant must be a Georgia corporation or entity and shall maintain a bank account with a bank or credit union located in this state. An applicant for a Class 1 production license shall submit an application on a form established by the commission, together with the following information:

(1) Proof of available capital to make the investments needed to safely, securely, and promptly perform all required functions of a licensee. Prior to issuance of a Class 1 production license, the applicant shall provide written documentation showing that on the date of application and award such applicant holds at least $2 million in available cash reserves to invest in operations in this state;

(2) A written production plan detailing the production processes that, at a minimum, includes details describing how the chain of custody will be maintained, documented, and made available for review by the commission or the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. Production processes shall include compliance with all production standards, laws, and regulations needed to protect public safety and ensure product purity;

(3) A comprehensive security plan that ensures compliance with the applicable laws of this state. At a minimum, a security plan shall include a 24 hours per day, seven days per week interior and exterior video monitoring and intrusion detection monitoring system, recording and video storage capabilities for all facilities, and licensed security personnel. The entire premises of licensees shall be equipped with a centralized access control system capable of generating detailed reports of access logs for a minimum of one year. All videos, access logs, and any other monitoring data shall be available to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation upon request. The commission is authorized to set requirements for the minimum technology, resolution, and storage capacity of at least 45 days for the video recording capabilities of licensees;

(4) A written plan detailing specific security measures to ensure secured transportation and tracking of delivered products for intrafacility transportation;
(5) A detailed employment plan specifying the jobs and salaries of employees and demonstrating the expected economic impact of proposed activities in Georgia;
(6) A written plan to ensure that no pesticides are used at any point in the production process other than those certified organic by the Organic Materials Review Institute or another similar standards organization;
(7) Detailed designs of all production facilities;
(8) Letters of support from one or more local governmental entities where the primary facilities will be located;
(9) A demonstration of significant involvement in the business by one or more minority business enterprises as defined in Code Section 50-5-131, either as co-owners of the business or as significant suppliers of goods and services for the business. Such applicants shall be encouraged to form business relationships with Georgia agricultural businesses and military veterans;
(10) Documentation of the applicant's industry capabilities and management experience. The commission shall consider the relevant industry experience and strength of the applicant's management team and board of directors when considering its merits;
(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $1.5 million cash bond or for any licenses that are applied for on or after July 1, 2021, other comparable surety as determined by the commission, payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be obtained within 30 days of license award. Failure to provide the requisite bond or letter of credit within 30 days of the license award date shall be cause for revocation of the license;
(12) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints submitted to the commission in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The commission shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the commission shall review the record for all owners, officers, and employees of the applicant demonstrating a lack of convictions, except for felony convictions that are greater than ten years old, are not drug related, or have been expunged or pardoned; and
(13) A description of any efforts made by the applicant to create jobs or locate facilities in tier one or tier two counties as defined in Code Section 48-7-40."

"~~(g) In the event a license issued pursuant to this Code section is revoked by the commission or surrendered by the licensee, the commission shall be authorized to issue a replacement license through a competitive application and review process conducted in accordance with this Code section.~~"

**SECTION 10.**

Said title is further amended by revising subsections (a), (b), and (g) of Code Section 16-12-212, relating to Class 2 production licenses, application fee, revocation, limitation on ownership, and replacement licenses, as follows:

"(a) The commission may issue up to four Class 2 production licenses. A Class 2 production licensee shall be authorized to:

(1) Grow cannabis only in indoor facilities for use in producing low THC oil, limited to 50,000 square feet of cultivation space; and

(2) Manufacture low THC oil and products.

(b) Class 2 production licenses shall be issued to applicants selected by the commission following a competitive application and review process in accordance with the requirements set forth in this part. An applicant must be a Georgia corporation or entity and shall maintain a bank account with a bank or credit union located in this state. An applicant for a Class 2 production license shall submit an application on a form established by the commission, together with the following information:

(1) Proof of available capital to make the investments needed to safely, securely, and promptly perform all required functions of a licensee. Prior to issuance of a Class 2 production license, the applicant shall provide written documentation showing that on the date of application and award such applicant holds at least $1.25 million in available cash reserves to invest in operations in this state;

(2) A written production plan detailing the production processes that, at a minimum, includes details describing how the chain of custody will be maintained, documented, and made available for review by the commission or the Georgia Bureau of Investigation. Production processes shall include compliance with all production standards, laws, and regulations needed to protect public safety and ensure product purity;

(3) A comprehensive security plan that ensures compliance with the applicable laws of this state. At a minimum, a security plan shall include a 24 hours per day, seven days per week interior and exterior video monitoring and intrusion detection monitoring system, recording and video storage capabilities for all facilities, and licensed security personnel. The entire premises of licensees shall be equipped with a centralized access control system capable of generating detailed reports of access logs for a minimum of one year. All videos, access logs, and any other monitoring data shall be available to the Georgia Bureau of Investigation upon request. The commission is authorized to set requirements for the minimum technology, resolution, and storage capacity of at least 45 days for the video recording capabilities of licensees;

(4) A written plan detailing specific security measures to ensure secured transportation and tracking of delivered products for intrafacility transportation;

(5) A detailed employment plan specifying the jobs and salaries of employees and demonstrating the expected economic impact of proposed activities in Georgia;

(6) A written plan to ensure that no pesticides are used at any point in the production process other than those certified organic by the Organic Materials Review Institute or another similar standards organization;

(7) Detailed designs of all production facilities;

(8) Letters of support from one or more local governmental entities where the primary facilities will be located;

(9) A demonstration of significant involvement in the business by one or more minority business enterprises as defined in Code Section 50-5-131, either as co-owners of the business or as significant suppliers of goods and services for the business. Such applicants shall be encouraged to form business relationships with Georgia agricultural businesses and military veterans;

(10) Documentation of the applicant's industry capabilities and management experience. The commission shall consider the relevant industry experience and strength of the applicant's management team and board of directors when considering its merits;

(11) Sufficient documentation to prove that a $625,000.00 cash bond or for any licenses that are applied for on or after July 1, 2021, other comparable surety as determined by the commission, payable to the State of Georgia or an irrevocable letter of credit can be obtained within 30 days of license award. Failure to provide the requisite bond or letter of credit within 30 days of the license award date shall be cause for revocation of the license;

(12) At least one set of classifiable electronically recorded fingerprints submitted to the commission in accordance with the fingerprint system of identification established by the director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The commission shall transmit the fingerprints to the Georgia Crime Information Center, which shall submit the fingerprints to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a search of bureau records and an appropriate report and shall promptly conduct a search of state records based upon the fingerprints. After receiving the report from the Georgia Crime Information Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the commission shall review the record for all owners, officers, and employees of the applicant demonstrating a lack of convictions, except for felony convictions that are greater than ten years old, are not drug related, or have been expunged or pardoned; and

(13) A description of any efforts made by the applicant to create jobs or locate facilities in tier one or tier two counties as defined in Code Section 48-7-40."

"~~(g) In the event a license issued pursuant to this Code section is revoked by the commission or surrendered by the licensee, the commission shall be authorized to issue a replacement license through a competitive application and review process conducted in accordance with this Code section.~~"

**SECTION 11.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-213, relating to tracking systems required, as follows:

"16-12-213.

(a) The commission shall require that each Class 1 production licensee and Class 2 production licensee establish, maintain, and utilize, directly or by contract, a tracking system. The commission shall approve one or more vendors to provide or operate

tracking systems.

(b) A tracking system shall have the functions and capabilities described in subsections (c) and (d) of this Code section and shall be operated in compliance with the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, Public Law 104-191.

(c) The tracking system shall be hosted on a platform that allows for:

(1) Dynamic allocation of resources;

(2) Data redundancy; and

(3) Recovery from natural disaster within 12 hours.

(d) The tracking system shall be capable of:

(1) Tracking all plants, products, packages, and registered patients' purchase totals, waste, transfers, conversions, sales, and returns that, if practicable, are linked to unique identification numbers;

(2) Tracking lot and batch information throughout the entire chain of custody;

(3) Tracking all marijuana, ~~and~~ low THC oil, and products throughout the entire chain of custody;

(4) Tracking plant, batch, and marijuana, ~~and~~ low THC oil, and product destruction;

(5) Tracking transportation of marijuana, ~~and~~ low THC oil, and products;

(6) Performing complete batch recall tracking that clearly identifies all of the following details relating to the specific batch subject to the recall:

(A) Amount of low THC oil and products sold;

(B) Amount of low THC oil and products inventory that is finished and available for sale;

(C) Amount of low THC oil and products that is in the process of transfer;

(D) Amount of low THC oil and products being processed into another form; and

(E) Amount of postharvest raw marijuana, such as marijuana that is in the drying, trimming, or curing process;

(7) Reporting and tracking loss, theft, or diversion of marijuana, ~~or~~ low THC oil, or products;

(8) Reporting and tracking all inventory discrepancies;

(9) Reporting and tracking adverse patient responses or dose related efficacy issues;

(10) Reporting and tracking all sales and refunds;

(11) Tracking purchase limits and flagging purchases in excess of authorized limits;

(12) Receiving electronically submitted information required to be reported under this Code section;

(13) Receiving testing results electronically from a laboratory via a secured application program interface into the tracking system and directly linking the testing results to each applicable source batch and sample;

(14) Flagging test results that have characteristics indicating that they may have been altered;

(15) Providing information to cross-check that low THC oil and product sales are made to a registered patient, caregiver, or designated caregiver and that the low THC oil and products received the required testing;

(16) Providing the commission with real-time access to information in the tracking

system; and

(17) Providing real-time information to the commission regarding key performance indicators, including:

(A) Total low THC oil and products daily sales;

(B) Total marijuana plants in production;

(C) Total marijuana plants destroyed; and

(D) Total inventory adjustments.

(e) A Class 1 production licensee or Class 2 production licensee shall supply the relevant tracking or testing information regarding each plant, product, package, batch, test, transfer, conversion, sale, recall, or disposition of marijuana, ~~or~~ low THC oil, or products in or from such licensee's possession or control on forms created by the commission."

**SECTION 12.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-215, relating to limitation on locations, advertising or marketing prohibited, and information available to physicians, as follows:

"16-12-215.

(a) No licensee shall operate in any location, whether for cultivation, harvesting, and processing of marijuana or for processing, manufacturing, packaging, or distributing low THC oil or products, within a 3,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. No dispensing licensee may operate in any location within a 1,000 foot radius of a covered entity, measured from property boundary to property boundary. Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, local governments may, via use of existing zoning powers otherwise provided by law, allow dispensing licensees only to locate in places other than those provided in this subsection so long as such modification is needed to allow retail outlets to be established to service registered patients residing within such local jurisdiction. As used in this subsection, the term 'covered entity' means a public or private school; an early care and education program as defined in Code Section 20-1A-2; or a church, synagogue, or other place of public religious worship, in existence prior to the date of licensure of such licensee by the commission or State Board of Pharmacy.

(b) No licensee shall advertise or market low THC oil or products to registered patients or the public; provided, however, that a licensee shall be authorized to provide information regarding its low THC oil and products directly to physicians."

**SECTION 13.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-216, relating to Georgia Bureau of Investigation ensuring compliance, as follows:

"16-12-216.

The Georgia Bureau of Investigation shall be responsible for ~~ensuring~~ investigating any alleged criminal activities related to the activities of the licensees, and shall work with the commission and the Georgia Composite Medical Board to develop procedures to ensure that all activities of licensees are conducted in accordance with this part and the

laws of this state. In addition to other powers and duties, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, and the Georgia Composite Medical Board shall jointly establish procedures to ensure that no activities conducted under this part result in the illegal or recreational use of low THC oil, products, or manufacturing by-products and jointly establish any other procedures necessary to carry out its duties and responsibilities pursuant to this part."

**SECTION 14.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-217, relating to on-demand access to facilities, provision of samples, testing, and secured transportation, as follows:

"16-12-217.

(a) All licensees shall provide on-demand access to facilities for inspection when requested by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, or the local law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction in which the facility is located. The commission and the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency may each conduct one annual inspection. Upon request by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, or the local law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction in which the facility is located, a licensee shall immediately provide product samples for the purposes of laboratory testing.

(b) Each Class 1 production licensee and Class 2 production licensee shall contract with a laboratory on the commission's approved list of independent laboratories, subject to any requirements set by the commission, for purposes of testing low THC oil and products manufactured by such licensees. Low THC oil and products shall be analyzed for potency, foreign matter, microbial presence, pesticides, heavy metals, and residual solvents. The commission shall establish limits for each item tested to verify that such low THC oil and products meet ~~meets~~ the requirements of this part. The commission shall promulgate rules and regulations governing the operations of laboratories for the testing of low THC oil and products. The costs of laboratory testing shall be paid by the licensees. Each low THC oil product shall be required to pass all requirements established by the commission before being distributed. Products that do not pass the commission's requirements shall be destroyed by the licensee and proof of such destruction shall be sent to the commission upon request.

(c) This Code section shall not apply to intrafacility transportation of low THC oil or products; provided, however, that licensees engaging in such transportation shall maintain secured transportation and tracking of product delivery."

**SECTION 15.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-221, relating to contracts awarded through bids or proposals, minimum contract terms and renewals, subcontracting, and giving or receiving things of value limited, as follows:

"16-12-221.

(a) The commission shall grant initial licenses under this part pursuant to contracts awarded through competitive sealed bids or competitive sealed proposals as provided for

in Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50. After issuance of two initial Class 1 production licenses pursuant to Code Section 16-12-211 and four initial Class 2 production licenses pursuant to Code Section 16-12-212, and in the event that the commission revokes a Class 1 or Class 2 production license, a Class 1 or 2 production license is surrendered for any reason, or the commission issues an additional Class 1 production license pursuant to Code Section 16-12-214, the commission shall be authorized to issue any replacement Class 1 or Class 2 production licenses in accordance with rules and regulations established by the commission for such purpose. Such rules and regulations shall not otherwise conflict with this article, and to the extent practicable, such rules and regulations shall incorporate provisions and processes similar to Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 50.

(b) Any contract for a license awarded pursuant to this subsection shall not be for less than five years and may contain provisions for automatic renewal.

(c) No licensee shall subcontract for services for the cultivation or processing in any way of marijuana if the subcontractor, or any of the service providers in the chain of subcontractors, is owned wholly or in excess of 5 percent by any state employee or member of a state employee's immediate family, including but not limited to any legislator, state-wide public official, or employee of a designated university. For purposes of this subsection, the term 'immediate family member' means a spouse, child, sibling, or parent or the spouse of a child, sibling, or parent.

(d) No licensee shall give or receive anything of value in connection with any contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative endeavor agreement executed pursuant to this part except the value that is expressed in the contract, memorandum of understanding, or cooperative endeavor agreement."

**SECTION 16.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-224, relating to limitation on ownership by member or former member of commission, limitation on physician's involvement, and identification when contributing to political campaigns, as follows:

"16-12-224.

(a) No current member of the commission, or former member of the commission for a period of five years from the date such individual ceased to be a member, shall own, operate, have a financial interest in, or be employed by a low THC oil or product manufacturer or distributor, including any licensee under this part.

(b) No physician who, presently or during the period of such business relationship, certifies individuals to the commission pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18 for the use of low THC oil and products to treat certain conditions shall own, operate, have a financial interest in, or be employed by a low THC oil or product manufacturer or distributor, including any licensee under this part. This subsection shall not prohibit a physician from furnishing a registered patient or his or her caregiver, upon request, with the names of low THC oil and product manufacturers or distributors. Any physician violating this Code section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) A licensee that makes a campaign contribution pursuant to Article 2 of Chapter 5 of

Title 21 shall identify itself as a licensee under this part to the recipient of such campaign contribution."

**SECTION 17.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-225, relating to criminal offenses and penalty, as follows:

"16-12-225.

(a) A licensee or licensee's employee who knowingly or willfully encourages, causes, abets, connives, conspires, or aids in the endangerment of patients, trafficking of low THC oil, products, or its manufacturing by-products, or criminal distribution of raw materials and agricultural inputs, including but not limited to seeds, under this part shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not to exceed $100,000.00, imprisonment for not less than five nor more than ten years, or both.

(b) Any person whose acts or omissions of gross, willful, or wanton negligence contribute to or cause the endangerment of patients, trafficking of low THC oil, products, or its manufacturing by-products, or criminal distribution of raw materials and agricultural inputs, including but not limited to seeds, under this part shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of up to $5,000.00, imprisonment for up to 12 months, or both.

(c) Failure to comply with all other provisions of this part shall be punishable by a fine of up to $500.00 for the first offense. All persons convicted of a second or subsequent offense shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of up to $1,000.00, imprisonment for up to six months, or both, for each violation.

(d) The provisions of this Code section shall not preclude prosecution and punishment for the commission of any offense otherwise provided by law."

**SECTION 18.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-226, relating to applicable sales and use tax, as follows:

"16-12-226.

The sale of low THC oil and products authorized by this article shall be subject to all applicable sales and use taxes."

**SECTION 19.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-230, relating to requirements for dispensing low THC oil, as follows:

"16-12-230.

(a) Low THC oil and products shall only be dispensed to registered patients in this state by a dispensing licensee or directly from the commission pursuant to this article.

(b) A pharmacist who dispenses low THC oil or products shall seek and review information on a registered patient from the prescription drug monitoring program data base established pursuant to Code Section 16-13-57 prior to dispensing low THC oil or products to the registered patient."

**SECTION 20.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-231, relating to exemptions from arrest, prosecutions, or penalty, as follows:

"16-12-231.

The following persons and entities, when acting in accordance with the provisions of this article, shall not be subject to arrest, prosecution, or any civil or administrative penalty, including a civil penalty or disciplinary action by a professional licensing board, or be denied any right or privilege, for the medical use, prescription, administration, manufacture, ~~or~~ distribution, or transport of low THC oil or products:

(1) A registered patient who is in possession of an amount of low THC oil or products authorized under Code Section 16-12-191 or such patient's caregiver, parent, or guardian;

(2) A physician who certifies a patient to the Department of Public Health as being diagnosed with a condition or in a hospice program and authorized to use low THC oil or products for treatment pursuant to Code Section 31-2A-18;

(3) A pharmacist or pharmacy that dispenses or provides low THC oil or products to a registered patient;

(4) The commission or its employees or contractors associated with the production of low THC oil or products in accordance with this article; ~~and~~

(5) A designated university, an employee of a designated university, or any other person associated with the production of low THC oil or products in accordance with this article; and

(6) An employee, contractor, or agent of a licensee with proper identification associated with the production, manufacture, distribution, transport, or sale of low THC oil or products in accordance with this article."

**SECTION 21.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-233, relating to contracts not against public policy, as follows:

"16-12-233.

It is the intent of the General Assembly that contracts related to the cultivation, harvesting, manufacturing, production, and distribution of cannabis solely for the manufacture of low THC oil or products pursuant to this article are not deemed contracts against public policy pursuant to Code Section 13-8-2 and shall be enforceable. No such contract shall be unenforceable on the basis that activities related to cannabis are prohibited by federal law."

**SECTION 22.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-234, relating to unlawful ways to ingest low THC oil, as follows:

"16-12-234.

It shall be unlawful to ingest low THC oil or products in a manner that employs a heating element, power source, electronic circuit, or other electronic, chemical, or mechanical

means, regardless of shape or size, that can be used to produce vapor in a solution or other form, including but not limited to any electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device and any vapor cartridge or other container of low THC oil or product in a solution or other form that is intended to be used with or in an electronic cigarette, electronic cigar, electronic cigarillo, electronic pipe, or similar product or device."

**SECTION 23.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 16-12-235, relating to research in compliance with federal regulations and other research permitted, as follows:

"16-12-235.

(a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary within this article, nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit the conduct of research involving low THC oil, ~~or~~ cannabis, or products that is conducted in full accordance with federal regulations, including the regulations of the United States Food and Drug Administration and United States Drug Enforcement Administration by any university or nonprofit institution of higher education within the State of Georgia, provided that:

(1) The university researchers conducting the research have the appropriate federal and state permits to acquire and use low THC oil, ~~or~~ cannabis, or products in clinical or preclinical research; and

(2) The substances used for such research are obtained from licensed pharmaceutical companies or through channels established by the United States government, such as the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

(b) Nothing in this article shall be construed to prohibit research otherwise permitted by Chapter 51 of Title 31."

**SECTION 24.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"16-12-235.1.

(a) The commission shall issue permits for colleges and universities located within the State of Georgia to possess limited quantities of low THC oil and products for purposes of conducting medical research via a bona fide partnership with a Class 1 or Class 2 licensee. Such permits shall be for a Georgia based college or university that:

(1) Is a member of the University System of Georgia, or an independent college or university accredited by a higher education accrediting body with comparable academic standards to those utilized by member institutions of the University System of Georgia;

(2) Has a campus that has been located at a physical location within the state for at least 20 years, and a full-time enrollment of at least 200 Georgia students during the past year;

(3) Is proposing a research partnership that is, in the sole judgment of the commission, fully compliant with the laws of this article; and

(4) Is proposing a research partnership that has been approved by the primary institutional review board located at such institution.

(b) Any such permit issued pursuant to this Code section shall specify:

(1) The individuals at the institution authorized to work with low THC oil;

(2) The primary objectives of the research study;

(3) The physical location on campus where the low THC oil will be stored, and security measures in place to prevent unauthorized use of such low THC oil;

(4) The method of transporting low THC oil from a licensed production facility to the campus;

(5) The method of returning low THC oil to a licensed production facility at the conclusion of the study; and

(6) The beginning and end date of the study.

(c) Any institution which receives a permit pursuant to this Code section shall provide on-demand access to facilities for inspection when requested by the Georgia Bureau of Investigation, the commission, or the local law enforcement agency for the jurisdiction in which the facility is located."

**SECTION 25.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-21, relating to definitions relative to "Georgia Controlled Substances Act," by revising paragraph (16) as follows:

"(16) 'Marijuana' means all parts of the plant of the genus Cannabis, whether growing or not, the seeds thereof, the resin extracted from any part of such plant, and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of such plant, its seeds, or resin, but shall not include samples as described in subparagraph (P) of paragraph (3) of Code Section 16-13-25; shall not include the completely defoliated mature stalks of such plant, fiber produced from such stalks, oil, or cake, or the completely sterilized samples of seeds of the plant which are incapable of germination; and shall not include hemp or hemp products as such terms are defined in Code Section 2-23-3. Such term shall not include products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act."

**SECTION 26.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-25, relating to Schedule I controlled substances, by revising subparagraph (3)(P) as follows:

"(P) Tetrahydrocannabinol, tetrahydrocannabinolic acid, or a combination of tetrahydrocannabinol and tetrahydrocannabinolic acid which does not contain plant material exhibiting the external morphological features of the plant of the genus Cannabis, but not including such substance when found in hemp or hemp products as such terms are defined in Code Section 2-23-3. Tetrahydrocannabinols do not include products approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration under Section 505 of the federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act;"

**SECTION 27.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 16-13-29, relating to Schedule V controlled substances, by repealing paragraph (1.5).

**SECTION 28.**

Nothing in this Act shall be deemed to change, amend, or alter any criteria for applications for a Class 1 or Class 2 production license submitted to the Georgia Access to Medical Cannabis Commission on or prior to January 27, 2021.

**SECTION 29.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Miller of the 49th moved the previous question.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | N Parent |
| Y Au | N Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| N Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

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On the motion, the yeas were 43, nays 9; the motion prevailed, and the previous question was ordered.

Senator Brass of the 28th moved that the Senate adopt the Conference Committee Report on SB 195.

On the motion, a roll call was taken, and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | N Harper | Y Orrock |

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| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | N Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | N Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| N Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | N Kirkpatrick | N Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 43, nays 9; the motion prevailed, and the Senate adopted the Conference Committee Report on SB 195.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 46. By Senators Burke of the 11th, Watson of the 1st, Hatchett of the 50th, Miller of the 49th, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, so as to authorize certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; to provide for vaccination information to third parties under certain public health conditions; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, so as to revise certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccines under vaccine protocol agreements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 46:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 4 of Title 25 and Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to firefighter standards and training and health,

respectively, so as to provide for licensure and certification of emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and cardiac technicians previously convicted of a felony; to require random drug tests for certain firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and cardiac technicians; to authorize the Department of Public Health to release deidentified data from the Low THC Oil Patient Registry to government entities and other entities for research and other purposes; to authorize certain medical personnel to administer vaccines during public health emergencies under certain conditions; to provide for vaccination information to third parties under certain public health conditions; to amend Code Section 42-5-57 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to institution of rehabilitation programs and provision of opportunities for educational, religious, and recreational activities, so as to provide for training for firefighters, emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, and cardiac technicians in institutions under the control of the Department of Corrections; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, so as to revise certain provisions relating to the administration of vaccines under vaccine protocol agreements; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 4 of Title 25 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions relative to firefighter standards and training, is amended in Code Section 25-4-8, relating to qualifications of firefighters generally, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Except as provided in Code Section 25-4-12, any employee, volunteer, or private contractor of a fire department operating in this state or certified as a firefighter shall, as prescribed by the council:

(1) Be at least 18 years of age;

(2) Not have been convicted of, or pleaded guilty to, a felony in any jurisdiction or of a crime which if committed in this state would constitute a felony under the laws of this state within ten years prior to employment, provided that a person who has been convicted of a felony more than five but less than ten years prior to employment may be certified and employed as a firefighter when the person has:

(A) Successfully completed a training program following the Georgia Fire Academy curriculum and sponsored by the Department of Corrections <u>pursuant to Code Section 42-5-57</u>;

(B) Been recommended to a fire department by the proper authorities at the institution at which the training program was undertaken; and

(C) Met all other requirements as set forth in this chapter.

The council shall be the final authority with respect to authorizing the employment, appointment, and certification of a person who has been convicted of a felony more than five but less than ten years prior to seeking employment when the person is seeking employment as a firefighter for any municipal, county, or state fire

department which employs three or more firefighters who work a minimum of 40 hours per week and has the responsibility of preventing and suppressing fires, protecting life and property, and enforcing municipal, county, and state codes, as well as enforcing any law pertaining to the prevention and control of fires;

(3) Have a good moral character as determined by investigation under procedure approved by the council;

(4) Be fingerprinted and a search made of local, state, and national fingerprint files to disclose any criminal record;

(5) Be in good physical condition as determined by a medical examination and successfully pass the minimum physical agility requirements as established by the council; and

(6) Possess or achieve within 12 months after employment a high school diploma or a general education development equivalency, provided that the council may by rule or regulation prescribe for the waiver of such requirement."

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"25-4-11.1.

(a) All firefighters qualified based upon successful completion of training set forth in subparagraph (a)(2)(A) of Code Section 25-4-8 shall be subject to random testing for evidence of use of illegal drugs. Such testing shall occur at least biannually for the first two years of licensure or certification. Such testing shall be noninvasive and may be conducted at any time during the calendar year, and the cost of all such testing shall be borne by the employer. If the drug test shows the presence of drugs in the firefighter's system, the results of the test will be confirmed with an alternative method by using the same urine sample.

(b) The council shall adopt rules and regulations for purposes of testing and retesting for illegal drugs, including:

(1) Which illegal drugs will be the subject of testing;

(2) Methods for ensuring minimal privacy intrusions during collection of body fluid specimens for such testing;

(3) Methods for ensuring proper storage, transportation, and handling of such specimens in order to maintain the integrity of the testing process;

(4) Which persons should be entitled to the results of such tests and which methods should be used for ensuring that only authorized persons are given access to such results;

(5) A list of laboratories qualified to conduct established drug tests; and

(6) Procedures through which firefighters, prior to the collection of body fluid specimens for such testing, may provide information to their employers regarding use of any drug pursuant to a medical prescription or, as otherwise authorized by law, any substance which could affect the results of such test.

(c) Any rules or regulations adopted pursuant to this Code section shall be in compliance with Parts 40 and 382 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations."

**SECTION 2A.**

Code Section 31-2A-18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Low THC Oil Patient Registry, is amended by revising subsection (f) as follows:

"(f) Information received and records kept by the department for purposes of administering this Code section shall be confidential; provided, however, that such information shall be disclosed, subject to the provisions of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, and any regulations promulgated thereunder:

(1) Upon written request of an individual or caregiver registered pursuant to this Code section for information related to the individual or his or her caregiver; ~~and~~

(2) To peace officers and prosecuting attorneys for the purpose of:

(A) Verifying that an individual in possession of a registration card is registered pursuant to this Code section; or

(B) Determining that an individual in possession of low THC oil is registered pursuant to this Code section; and

(3) To government entities and other entities for statistical, research, educational, instructional, drug abuse prevention, or grant application purposes after removing all personal identifiers from the health information and removing all information that could be used to identify prescribers."

**SECTION 3.**

Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to health, is amended by revising Code Section 31-11-51, relating to certification and recertification of emergency medical technicians, rules and regulations, and use of conviction data in licensing decisions, as follows:

"31-11-51.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term 'conviction data' means a record of a finding or verdict of guilty or plea of guilty or plea of nolo contendere with regard to any crime, regardless of whether an appeal of the conviction has been sought.

(b) ~~The~~ Except as otherwise provided for in this chapter, the board shall, by regulation, authorize the department to establish procedures and standards for the licensing of emergency medical services personnel. The department shall succeed to all rules and regulations, policies, procedures, and administrative orders of the composite board which were in effect on December 31, 2001, and which relate to the functions transferred to the department by this chapter. Such rules, regulations, policies, procedures, and administrative orders shall remain in effect until amended, repealed, superseded, or nullified by proper authority or as otherwise provided by law.

(c) In reviewing applicants for initial licensure of emergency medical services personnel, the department shall be authorized pursuant to this Code section to obtain conviction data with respect to such applicants for the purposes of determining the suitability of the applicant for licensure.

(d) The department shall by rule or regulation, consistent with the requirements of this subsection, establish a procedure for requesting a fingerprint based criminal history

records check from the center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Fingerprints shall be in such form and of such quality as prescribed by the center and under standards adopted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Fees may be charged as necessary to cover the cost of the records search. An applicant may request that a criminal history records check be conducted by a state or local law enforcement agency or by a private vendor approved by the department. Fees for criminal history records checks shall be paid by the applicant to the entity processing the request at the time such request is made. The state or local law enforcement agency or private vendor shall remit payment to the center in such amount as required by the center for conducting a criminal history records check. The department shall accept a criminal history records check whether such request is made through a state or local law enforcement agency or through a private vendor approved by the department. Upon receipt of an authorized request, the center shall promptly cause such criminal records search to be conducted. The center shall notify the department in writing of any finding of disqualifying information, including, but not limited to, any conviction data regarding the fingerprint records check, or if there is no such finding.

(e) An applicant with conviction data which indicates a conviction of a felony more than five but less than ten years prior to application shall not be disqualified for licensure, provided that such applicant has:

(1) Successfully completed a training program approved by the department and sponsored by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Code Section 42-5-57; and

(2) Met all other requirements as set forth in this chapter.

(f) Conviction data received by the department or a state or local law enforcement agency shall be privileged and shall not be a public record or disclosed to any person. Conviction data shall be maintained by the department and the state or local law enforcement pursuant to laws regarding such records and the rules and regulations of the center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Penalties for the unauthorized release or disclosure of conviction data shall be as prescribed by law or rule or regulation of the center or Federal Bureau of Investigation.

~~(f)~~(g) The center, the department, or any law enforcement agency, or the employees of any such entities, shall neither be responsible for the accuracy of information provided pursuant to this Code section nor be liable for defamation, invasion of privacy, negligence, or any other claim relating to or arising from the dissemination of information pursuant to this Code section."

**SECTION 4.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 31-11-52, relating to certification and recertification of, and training for, paramedics and cardiac technicians, as follows:

"31-11-52.

(a) The department shall establish procedures and standards for certifying and recertifying paramedics and cardiac technicians. An applicant for initial certification as a paramedic or a cardiac technician must:

(1) Submit a completed application on a form to be prescribed by the department,

which shall include evidence that the applicant is 18 years of age or older and is of good moral character;

(2) Submit from the department a notarized statement that the applicant has completed a training course approved by the department;

(3) Submit to the department a fee as set forth in the regulations of the department; and

(4) Meet such other requirements as are set forth in the rules and regulations of the department.

(b) The department shall also adopt procedures and standards for its approval of paramedic training courses and cardiac technician training courses. The department shall adopt such regulations after consultation with appropriate public and private agencies and organizations concerned with medical education and the practice of medicine. Procedures and standards adopted by the department shall be consistent with the purposes and provisions of this chapter.

(c) An applicant convicted of a felony more than five but less than ten years prior to application shall not be disqualified for certification, provided that such applicant has:

(1) Successfully completed a training program approved by the department and sponsored by the Department of Corrections pursuant to Code Section 42-5-57; and

(2) Met all other requirements as set forth in this chapter."

**SECTION 5.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 31-11-53, relating to services which may be rendered by certified emergency medical technicians and trainees, as follows:

"31-11-53.

(a) Upon certification by the department, emergency medical technicians may do any of the following:

(1) Render first-aid and resuscitation services as taught in the United States Department of Transportation basic training courses for emergency medical technicians or an equivalent course approved by the department; ~~and~~

(2) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician, administer approved intravenous solutions and opioid antagonists; and

(3) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician during a public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, administer vaccines.

(b) While in training preparatory to becoming certified, emergency medical technician trainees may perform any of the functions specified in this Code section under the direct supervision of a duly licensed physician or a registered nurse."

**SECTION 6.**

Said title is further amended by revising Code Section 31-11-55, relating to services which may be rendered by certified cardiac technicians and trainees, as follows:

"31-11-55.

(a) Upon certification by the department, cardiac technicians may do any of the

following:

(1) Render first-aid and resuscitation services;

(2) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician and as recommended by the Georgia Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council and approved by the department:

(A) Perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation and defibrillation in a hemodynamically unstable patient;

(B) Administer approved intravenous solutions;

(C) Administer parenteral injections of antiarrhythmic agents, vagolytic agents, chronotropic agents, alkalizing agents, analgesic agents, and vasopressor agents or administer opioid antagonists; ~~and~~

(D) Perform pulmonary ventilation by esophageal airway and endotracheal intubation; and

(E) Upon the order of a duly licensed physician during a public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, administer vaccines.

(b) While in training preparatory to becoming certified, cardiac technician trainees may perform any of the functions specified in this Code section under the direct supervision of a duly licensed physician or a registered nurse."

**SECTION 7.**

Said title is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"31-11-60.2.

(a) All persons licensed or certified based upon successful completion of training set forth in paragraph (1) of subsection (e) of Code Section 31-11-51 or paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of Code Section 31-11-52 shall be subject to random testing for evidence of use of illegal drugs. Such testing shall occur at least biannually for the first two years of licensure or certification. Such testing shall be noninvasive and may be conducted at any time during the calendar year, and the cost of all such testing shall be borne by the employer. If the drug test shows the presence of drugs in the employee's system, the results of the test will be confirmed with an alternative method by using the same urine sample.

(b) The department shall adopt rules and regulations to establish for purposes of testing and retesting for illegal drugs:

(1) Which illegal drugs will be the subject of testing;

(2) Methods for ensuring minimal privacy intrusions during collection of body fluid specimens for such testing;

(3) Methods for ensuring proper storage, transportation, and handling of such specimens in order to maintain the integrity of the testing process;

(4) Which persons should be entitled to the results of such tests and which methods should be used for ensuring that only authorized persons are given access to such results;

(5) A list of laboratories qualified to conduct established drug tests; and

(6) Procedures through which emergency medical services personnel, paramedics, or cardiac technicians, prior to the collection of body fluid specimens for such testing,

may provide information to their employers regarding use of any drug pursuant to a medical prescription or, as otherwise authorized by law, any substance which could affect the results of such test.

(c) Any rules or regulations adopted pursuant to this Code section shall be in compliance with Parts 40 and 382 of Title 49 of the Code of Federal Regulations."

**SECTION 8.**

Said title is further amended in Code Section 31-12-3.1, relating to establishment and maintenance of state-wide vaccination registry for children under age 18, by revising subsection (e) as follows:

"(e)(1) Unless such person has opted out pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection, individually ~~Individually~~ identifiable vaccination information regarding a person may be provided to the department by, or released by the department to~~, a~~:

(A) A ~~local~~ health department, hospital, physician, or other provider of medical services to the person; ~~or to~~

(B) A ~~a~~ school or child care facility in which the person is enrolled if the person is 18 years of age or younger; or

(C) The United States Department of Health and Human Services and its subsidiaries through a data use agreement, for the limited purpose of reporting vaccines administered in response to a public health emergency declared pursuant to Code Section 38-3-51, for the purpose of averting a serious and imminent threat to life and safety, so long as the United States Department of Health and Human Services and its subsidiaries adhere to state and federal privacy laws and so long as a person's name is not provided by the department without the consent of the person or the person's parents or guardians.

(2) Any person or person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger may request an exemption from enrollment in the state-wide vaccine registry. All persons shall be enrolled unless a specific exemption is requested by the person or the person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger. A parent or guardian may obtain and upon request to the department shall be provided with all individually identifiable vaccination registry information regarding his or her child or ward. Except as provided otherwise by this Code section, individually identifiable vaccination registry information shall be treated as confidential and shall not be released to a third party without consent of the person or the person's parent or guardian if the person is 18 years of age or younger."

**SECTION 9.**

Code Section 42-5-57 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to institution of rehabilitation programs and provision of opportunities for educational, religious, and recreational activities, is amended as follows:

"42-5-57.

(a) The board, acting alone or in cooperation with the Department of Education, the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, or the several state, local, and

federal agencies concerned therewith shall be authorized to institute a program of rehabilitation, which may include academic, industrial, mechanical, agricultural, and vocational training, within the confines of a penal institution.

(b) The board, acting alone or in cooperation with the Georgia Firefighter Standards and Training Council, shall be authorized to institute a program of rehabilitation which includes training following the Georgia Fire Academy curriculum within the confines of a penal institution.

(c) The board, acting alone or in cooperation with the Department of Public Health, shall be authorized to institute a program of rehabilitation which includes training for emergency medical services personnel as such term is defined in Code Section 31-11-49 within the confines of a penal institution.

~~(b)~~(d) The department, in institutions under its control and supervision, shall give the inmates opportunity for reasonable educational, religious, and recreational activities where practicable."

**SECTION 10.**

Article 2 of Chapter 34 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical practice, is amended by revising Code Section 43-34-26.1, relating to vaccine protocol agreements, as follows:

"43-34-26.1.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Administer' means the provision of a unit dose of vaccine by a pharmacist or nurse pursuant to a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement with a physician.

(2) 'Adverse event' means an event that is a negative consequence of the administration of vaccine by a pharmacist or nurse that results in an unintended reaction, injury, or illness, which may or may not have been preventable.

(3) 'Board' means the Georgia Composite Medical Board.

(4) 'Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services' or 'vaccination registry' means the vaccination registry established by Department of Public Health pursuant to Code Section 31-12-3.1.

~~(4)~~(5) 'Nurse' means a registered professional nurse as defined in paragraph (9) of Code Section 43-26-3. The term shall also mean a licensed practical nurse as defined in paragraph (5) of Code Section 43-26-32 who is regularly employed by a physician engaged in the active practice of medicine.

~~(5)~~(6) 'Pharmacist' means an individual licensed under Chapter 4 of Title 26 to engage in the practice of pharmacy in the State of Georgia.

~~(6)~~(7) 'Pharmacy intern' means a pharmacy intern as defined in paragraph (19) of Code Section 26-4-5.

~~(7)~~(8) 'Physician' means an individual licensed to practice medicine and surgery pursuant to this article and whose principal place of practice is located in this state.

~~(8)~~(9) 'Vaccine' means: ~~a specially prepared antigen which upon administration to a person will result in immunity to influenza, pneumococcal disease, shingles, or~~

~~meningitis.~~

(A) A vaccine that is included on the adult immunization schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention administered to an individual 18 years of age or older;

(B) An influenza vaccine administered to an individual 13 years of age or older; and

(C) Any vaccine administered to an individual 13 years of age or older for an illness that has resulted in a public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1.

~~No live attenuated virus shall be administered pursuant to this Code section unless the patient or his or her parent, if a minor, has signed an informed consent that he or she does not have a contraindication to this vaccine. The informed consent form shall list the contraindications to the vaccine.~~

~~(9)~~(10) 'Vaccine order' means a prescription drug order, contained in a vaccine protocol agreement, for a vaccine issued by a physician for a group of patients who meet certain criteria and to be administered by a pharmacist or a nurse. A vaccine order shall also mean a prescription drug order, contained in a vaccine protocol agreement, for epinephrine issued by a physician for a group of patients who meet certain criteria and to be administered by a pharmacist or a nurse only upon the occurrence of an actual or perceived anaphylactic adverse reaction to the administered vaccine provided that the vaccine protocol agreement sets forth the signs and symptoms that warrant the administration of epinephrine.

~~(10)~~(11) 'Vaccine protocol agreement' means a written document mutually agreed upon and signed by a physician and a pharmacist or by a physician and a nurse, by which document the physician prescribes a vaccine and epinephrine, if determined appropriate by the physician, by means of a vaccine order for administration by a pharmacist or a nurse.

(b) A physician engaged in the active practice of medicine may prescribe a vaccine for a group of patients via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement to be administered by a pharmacist, provided the physician resides in Georgia and is registered with the ~~vaccination registry established by the Department of Public Health pursuant to Code Section 31-12-3.1, commonly known as the~~ Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services; the pharmacist holds current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support and has completed a course of training accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education or similar health authority or professional body approved by the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy; and the pharmacist completes a training program recognized by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in the basics of immunology which focuses on practice implementation and legal and regulatory issues, composed of: (1) at least 12 hours of self-study and an assessment exam; (2) at least eight hours of live seminar with a final exam; and (3) a hands-on assessment of intramuscular and subcutaneous injection technique. A physician who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement may also

prescribe epinephrine via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement for administration by a pharmacist upon the occurrence of an actual or perceived anaphylactic adverse reaction to the administered vaccine, provided that the vaccine protocol agreement sets forth the signs and symptoms that warrant the administration of epinephrine.

(c) A physician engaged in the active practice of medicine may prescribe a vaccine for a group of patients via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement to be administered by a nurse, provided the physician is registered with the ~~vaccination registry established by the Department of Public Health pursuant to Code Section 31-12-3.1, commonly known as the~~ Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services, the nurse is located within the county of the physician's place of registration with the vaccination registry or a county contiguous thereto, and the nurse holds current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support. A physician who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement may also prescribe epinephrine via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement for administration by a nurse upon the occurrence of an actual or perceived anaphylactic adverse reaction to the administered vaccine provided that the vaccine protocol agreement sets forth the signs and symptoms that warrant the administration of epinephrine.

(d) A vaccine protocol agreement between a physician and a pharmacist or a physician and a nurse pursuant to this Code section shall, without limitation:

(1) Contain the current names, addresses, telephone numbers, and professional license numbers of the physician and the pharmacist or nurse;

(2) Contain a provision for immediate consultation between the pharmacist or nurse and the physician. If the physician is not available, the physician for purposes of consultation may designate another physician who concurs with the terms of the vaccine protocol agreement;

(3) Require the pharmacist or nurse to take an appropriate case history and determine whether the patient has had a physical examination within the past year and shall not administer a vaccine to a patient with any condition for which such vaccine is contraindicated;

(4) Require the pharmacist or nurse to provide the vaccine recipient with the appropriate and current Vaccine Information Statement as provided by the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;

(5) Require the pharmacist or nurse to provide written information to the vaccine recipient to be developed by the Department of Public Health on the importance of having and periodically seeing a primary care physician;

~~(6) Require the pharmacist or nurse to provide each new vaccine recipient with a personal immunization card on card stock paper containing the vaccine recipient's name, the pharmacist's or nurse's name and phone number, the name and dosage of the vaccine, the location of injection on the vaccine recipient, and the date of the administration of the vaccine in legible writing or printed type in a format made available by the Department of Public Health. The patient shall produce such card when he or she has subsequent vaccines and the pharmacist or nurse shall update such~~

~~card, unless the patient does not have such card, in which case, a new card shall be provided. The written information required pursuant to paragraph (5) of this subsection may be included on the card provided pursuant to this paragraph;~~

~~(7)~~(6) Require the pharmacist or nurse or his or her employer to retain documentation of each dose of vaccine administered. Such documentation shall include, but not be limited to:

(A) The administering pharmacist's or nurse's name, address, telephone number, and professional license number;

(B) The name, dose, manufacturer, and lot number of the vaccine;

(C) The vaccine recipient's name, address, date of birth, and telephone number;

(D) The date of administration and injection site;

(E) A signed and dated consent form by which the vaccine recipient acknowledges receipt of the Vaccine Information Statement, consents to the administration of the vaccine, and authorizes the pharmacy or nurse to notify the vaccine recipient's primary care provider of the vaccine administered to the vaccine recipient; and

(F) Any adverse events or complications that occur;

~~(8)~~(7) Require the pharmacist or nurse to make documented reasonable efforts to obtain the name of the vaccine recipient's primary care provider and to notify such primary care provider of the vaccine administered by the pharmacist or nurse within 72 hours of administration;

~~(9)~~(8) Require the pharmacist or nurse to administer the vaccine to a patient in a private room, area with a privacy screen, or other interior area in which the patient's privacy can be maintained. In no event shall a pharmacist or nurse administer a vaccine to a patient in a manner that is designed so that the patient can be served while remaining in his or her personal vehicle. This paragraph shall not apply to mass immunizations in the event of a public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, or for purposes of training in which vaccinations are administered to large groups of people at one or more locations in a short interval of time;

~~(10)~~(9) Require the pharmacist, ~~or~~ nurse, or his or her designee to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services prior to administration of the vaccine and to enter the patient's vaccine information in the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services within the vaccination registry's designated time frame, or as designated by the Department of Public Health; provided, however, that a pharmacist, nurse, or his or her designee shall not be required to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services during:

(A) A public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, for any vaccine administered to address the cause of the threat of an illness or health condition or the infectious agent or biological toxin which resulted in such public health emergency; or

(B) A vaccination event for influenza that is anticipated to serve 75 or more patients.

The Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency shall have the authority to impose sanctions in accordance with subsection (r) of this Code section on any person subject to the

requirements of this paragraph who does not submit the information required by this paragraph and to notify the delegating physician and the applicable licensing board for such person of violations of this paragraph;

~~(11)~~(10) Require, as a condition of administration of the vaccine, the vaccine recipient to remain under the observation of ~~the administering~~ a pharmacist or nurse for a period of not less than 15 minutes immediately subsequent to the administration of the vaccine;

~~(12)~~(11) Contain procedures to follow up on the occurrence of an adverse event or complication including, if prescribed via a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement, the administration of epinephrine;

~~(13)~~(12) Provide for prioritization of vaccine recipients in the event the supply of a vaccine is limited;

~~(14)~~(13) Require the pharmacist or nurse to maintain individual liability insurance coverage or be individually covered by his or her employer's liability insurance coverage in an amount not less than $250,000.00 to cover claims arising from administration of vaccines by the pharmacist or nurse pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement and to provide proof of such coverage to the physician for submission to the board with the vaccine protocol agreement. The pharmacist or nurse shall also retain a copy of the proof of insurance coverage, including the name of the insurer and policy number, onsite at his or her primary location for inspection by the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, upon request;

~~(15)~~(14) Require the pharmacist or nurse to post proof of the vaccine protocol agreement, including a list of the vaccines authorized by such protocol, in a conspicuous location within the pharmacy~~, local health department,~~ or other setting in which the vaccine is being administered;

~~(16)~~(15) Require the pharmacist or nurse to submit a signed and notarized affidavit to the physician attesting to the following:

(A) Compliance with paragraph ~~(14)~~ (13) of this subsection regarding maintenance of liability insurance;

(B) Verification that the pharmacist or nurse holds current certification in Basic Cardiac Life Support as required by subsections (b) and (c) of this Code section and, for pharmacists, verification of completion of immunology training as required by subsection (b) of this Code section;

(C) The pharmacist or nurse has a copy of the vaccine protocol agreement and agrees to comply with its requirements; and

(D) Identification of the pharmacist's or nurse's location or locations in which he or she will be administering vaccinations pursuant to the vaccine protocol agreement.

The pharmacist or nurse shall keep a copy of the affidavit onsite at his or her primary location for inspection by the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, upon request. The Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency shall have the authority to impose sanctions in accordance with subsection (r) of this Code section on any person subject to the requirements of this paragraph who does not submit the information required by this paragraph and to notify the delegating physician and the applicable licensing board

for such person of violations of this paragraph; and

~~(17)~~(16) Be renewed and, if necessary, revised or updated biennially by the physician and the pharmacist or nurse. A vaccine protocol agreement that is not renewed biennially shall expire.

(e) A pharmacist who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement pursuant to this Code section shall not delegate the administration of a vaccine to any individual other than a pharmacy intern under the direct supervision of the pharmacist whether or not any such other individual is under the supervision, direct or otherwise, of the pharmacist.

(f) A nurse who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement pursuant to this Code section shall not delegate the administration of a vaccine to any individual, whether or not any such individual is under the supervision, direct or otherwise, of the nurse; provided, however, that notwithstanding the requirement of employment by a physician in paragraph ~~(4)~~ (5) of subsection (a) of this Code section, a registered professional nurse who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement pursuant to this Code section may delegate the administration of a vaccine to a licensed practical nurse under the direct on-site supervision of the registered professional nurse.

(g) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a nurse acting pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement as provided in this Code section may possess and transport such vaccine and epinephrine.

(h) A pharmacist or nurse administering vaccines pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement authorized by this Code section shall maintain policies and procedures for the handling and disposal of used or contaminated equipment and supplies.

(i) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to authorize a physician to prescribe any other vaccines or other drugs pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement or vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement other than those vaccines and epinephrine specifically authorized in such vaccine protocol agreement or vaccine order.

(j) A delegating physician may not enter into a vaccine protocol agreement with more than ten pharmacists or nurses, or any combination thereof, at any one time; provided, however, and notwithstanding the geographic limitation provided in subsection (c) of this Code section, a delegating physician may enter into a vaccine protocol agreement with more than ten pharmacists or nurses, or any combination thereof, at any one time so long as the nurses are in the same public health district as established pursuant to Code Section 31-3-15 and the pharmacists and nurses are employees or agents of the same corporate entity.

(k) It shall be unlawful for a physician who is employed by a pharmacist or nurse to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement or otherwise delegate medical acts to such pharmacist or nurse. It shall be unlawful for a physician who is employed by a pharmacy to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement or otherwise delegate medical acts to a pharmacist or nurse who is also employed by such pharmacy.

(l) The board shall have the authority to promulgate rules and regulations governing a physician who is a party to a vaccine protocol agreement in order to carry out the intent and purposes of this Code section. Further, the board shall:

(1) Require that the vaccine protocol agreement, along with the affidavit by the pharmacist or nurse submitted pursuant to paragraph ~~(16)~~ (15) of subsection (d) of this Code section and the proof of insurance required pursuant to paragraph ~~(14)~~ (13) of subsection (d) of this Code section, be filed by the physician with the board and be made available by the board for public inspection; and

(2) Promulgate by rule an approved standard protocol template that may be utilized as a vaccine protocol agreement and make such template available on the board's website.

(m) Nothing in this Code section shall be construed to require a physician to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement. A public or private managed care system, health plan, hospital, insurance company, or similar entity shall not require a physician, pharmacist, or nurse to enter into a vaccine protocol agreement as a condition for participation in or reimbursement from such entity.

(n) No physician who complies with the provisions of this Code section shall be subject to criminal or civil liability or discipline for unprofessional conduct for:

(1) Entering into a vaccine protocol agreement with a pharmacist or nurse;

(2) Issuing a vaccine order contained in a vaccine protocol agreement with a pharmacist or nurse; or

(3) The acts or omissions of a pharmacist or nurse pursuant to a vaccine protocol agreement including the administration of a vaccine or epinephrine.

Nothing in this subsection shall be interpreted as altering liability of an employer for acts of his or her employees.

(o)(1) This Code section shall not apply to any activities conducted ~~within~~ by a hospital, physician's office, nursing home, or other health care facility designated by the ~~department~~ Department of Public Health or conducted within any other facility or entity owned, operated, or leased by a hospital.

(2) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, any activities conducted by a hospital or health system for the administration of the influenza vaccine shall not be subject to paragraphs (5) through ~~(9)~~ (8), ~~(15)~~ (14), or ~~(16)~~ (15) of subsection (d) of this Code section as long as the following conditions are met:

(A) A signed and dated consent form by which the vaccine recipient consents to the administration of the vaccine is obtained;

(B) If the vaccine recipient is a patient within the hospital or health system, the administration of the influenza vaccine shall be noted in such patient's health record maintained by the hospital or health system, including, but not limited to, the administering pharmacist's or nurse's name, address, telephone number, and professional license number; the name, dose, manufacturer, and lot number of the vaccine; and the date of administration and injection site;

(C) If the vaccine recipient is not a patient within the hospital or health system, ~~a personal immunization card on card stock paper containing the vaccine recipient's name, the pharmacist's or nurse's name and phone number, the name and dosage of the vaccine, the injection site on the vaccine recipient, the date of the administration of the vaccine in legible writing or printed type in a format made available by the~~

~~Department of Public Health, and written information developed by the Department of Public Health on the importance of having and periodically seeing a primary care physician shall be provided to the vaccine recipient~~ the pharmacist, nurse, or his or her designee shall be required to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services prior to administration of the vaccine and to enter the patient's vaccine information in the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services within the vaccination registry's designated time frame, or as designated by the Department of Public Health; provided, however, that a pharmacist, nurse, or his or her designee shall not be required to check the Georgia Registry of Immunization Transactions and Services during:

(i) A public health emergency, as defined in Code Section 31-12-1.1, for any vaccine administered to address the cause of the threat of an illness or health condition or the infectious agent or biological toxin which resulted in such public health emergency; or

(ii) A vaccination event for influenza that is anticipated to serve 75 or more patients.

The Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency shall have the authority to impose sanctions in accordance with subsection (r) of this Code section on any person subject to the requirements of this paragraph who does not submit the information required by this paragraph and to notify the delegating physician and the applicable licensing board for such person of violations of this paragraph; and

(D) If requested by the patient, the influenza vaccine shall be administered in an area or location with portable screening, at a minimum.

As used in this paragraph, the term 'health system' means (i) a parent corporation of one or more hospitals and any entity affiliated with such parent corporation through ownership, governance, membership, or other means; or (ii) a hospital and any entity affiliated with such hospital through ownership, governance, membership, or other means.

(p) This Code section shall not be interpreted as limiting the authority of any authorized person to dispense or administer vaccines or other medications.

(q) ~~No vaccine protocol agreement entered into pursuant to this Code section shall permit a pharmacist or nurse to administer any of the following:~~

~~(1) An influenza vaccine to any child under the age of 13 without an individual prescription from a physician;~~

~~(2) A pneumococcal disease vaccine to any child under the age of 18 without an individual prescription from a physician;~~

~~(3) Any vaccines containing a live attenuated virus to a child under the age of 13; or~~

~~(4) A meningitis vaccine to any child under the age of 18.~~

No live attenuated virus shall be administered pursuant to this Code section unless the patient has signed an informed consent that he or she does not have a contraindication to such vaccine. The informed consent form shall list the contraindications to the vaccine. Consent of the child's parent or legal guardian shall be a condition precedent to the administration of a vaccine to a child under the age of 18.

(r)(1) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(14)~~ (13) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be assessed a fine of up to $2,500.00 by the board.

(2) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly administers a vaccine without a vaccine protocol agreement as required by this Code section may be assessed a fine of up to $2,500.00 and may be prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section for up to one year as determined by the board.

(3) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(6)~~ (5) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be subject to the following sanctions by the board:

(A) Upon the first violation, the issuance of a warning~~.~~;

(B) Upon the second violation, a fine of up $500.00; and

(C) Upon a third or subsequent violation, prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section for up to one year.

(4) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(15)~~ (14) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be subject to the following sanctions by the board:

(A) Upon the first or second violation, the issuance of a warning~~.~~; and

(B) Upon a third or subsequent violation, prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section for up to six months.

(5) A pharmacist or nurse who knowingly does not comply with paragraph ~~(10)~~ (9) or ~~(16)~~ (15) of subsection (d) of this Code section may be subject to the following sanctions by the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency:

(A) Upon the first violation, the issuance of a warning;

(B) Upon the second violation, a fine of up to $5,000.00; and

(C) Upon a third or subsequent violation, prohibited from administering vaccines pursuant to this Code section.

(6) The sanctions contained in this subsection shall be supplemental to any other sanctions or penalties to which a pharmacist or nurse may otherwise be subject."

**SECTION 11.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 12.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Burke of the 11th moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 46. On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| N Albers | N Harbin | Y Miller |
| N Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |

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| N Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| N Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Y Seay |
| Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | N Jones, H. | E Tate |
| N Dolezal | Y Jordan | N Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| N Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 38, nays 11; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 46.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 195. By Senator Mullis of the 53rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 2-23-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions regarding hemp farming, so as to revise a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 562. By Representatives Carpenter of the 4th, Ridley of the 6th, Scoggins of the 14th, Cooper of the 43rd and Pirkle of the 155th:
A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 4 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to warrants for arrest, so as to add DFCS case manager to the people for whom arrest warrants may be issued only by certain judicial officers; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has disagreed to the Senate substitute to the following Bill of the House:

HB 605. By Representatives Cooper of the 43rd and LaHood of the 175th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 31 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to care and protection of indigent and elderly patients, so as to provide for authorized electronic monitoring in long-term care facilities; to provide for definitions; to provide consent requirements; to provide for notice to the facility; to provide for relocation of a resident to another room; to provide for installation and costs; to provide for notice to visitors; to prohibit obstruction or destruction of electronic monitoring devices; to provide for protection of privacy rights; to provide for limited liability; to provide for a notification and consent form; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment to the House substitute to the following Bill of the Senate:

SB 165. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Kirkpatrick of the 32nd, Beach of the 21st, Miller of the 49th, Ginn of the 47th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to equipment and inspection of motor vehicles, so as to exempt fully autonomous vehicles from certain vehicle equipment requirements; to provide for compliance; to remove requirement for use of strobe light while operating a low-speed vehicle; to provide for means of operation of vehicle brakes and parking brakes; to revise exhaust system requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

SB 174. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Walker III of the 20th, Cowsert of the 46th and Brass of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding bonds and recognizances, so as to authorize appointed judges who are fulfilling a vacancy of an elected judge to issue an unsecured judicial release under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following substitute to SB 174:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding bonds and recognizances, so as to revise bail restricted offenses; to revise a definition; to provide for and authorize appointed judges who are fulfilling a vacancy of an elected judge to issue certain bonds and an unsecured judicial release under certain circumstances; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 17 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding bonds and recognizances, is amended by revising paragraph (4) of subsection (e) of Code Section 17-6-1, relating to when offenses bailable, procedure, schedule of bails, and appeal bonds, as follows:

"(4) ~~Any~~ A bond ~~issued~~ set for any offense by an elected judge, an appointed judge filling the vacancy of an elected judge, or judge sitting by designation that purports a dollar amount shall be executed in the full-face amount of such bond through secured means as provided for in Code Section 17-6-4 or 17-6-50 or shall be executed by use of property as approved by the sheriff in the county where the offense was committed."

**SECTION 2.**

Said article is further amended by revising Code Section 17-6-12, relating to unsecured judicial release, requirement, and effect of failure of person charged to appear for trial, as follows:

"17-6-12.

(a) As used in this Code section, the term:

(1) 'Bail restricted offense' means the person is charged with:

(A) An offense of:

(i) Murder or felony murder, as defined in Code Section 16-5-1;

(ii) Armed robbery, as defined in Code Section 16-8-41;

(iii) Kidnapping, as defined in Code Section 16-5-40;

(iv) Rape, as defined in Code Section 16-6-1;

(v) Aggravated child molestation, as defined in subsection (c) of Code Section 16-6-4, unless subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of subsection (d) of Code Section 16-6-4;

(vi) Aggravated sodomy, as defined in Code Section 16-6-2; or

(vii) Aggravated sexual battery, as defined in Code Section 16-6-22.2; ~~or~~

(B) A felony offense of:
(i) Aggravated assault;
(ii) Aggravated battery;
(iii) Hijacking a motor vehicle in the first degree;
(iv) Aggravated stalking;
(v) Child molestation;
(vi) Enticing a child for indecent purposes;
(vii) Pimping;
(viii) Robbery;
(viii.1) Burglary;
(ix) Bail jumping;
(x) Escape;
(xi) Possession of a firearm or knife during the commission of or attempt to commit certain crimes;
(xii) Possession of firearms by convicted felons and first offender probationers;
(xiii) Trafficking in cocaine, illegal drugs, marijuana, or methamphetamine;
(xiv) Participating in criminal street gang activity;
(xv) Habitual violator; ~~or~~
(xvi) Driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances;
(xvii) Entering an automobile or other mobile vehicle with intent to commit theft or felony, as defined in Code Section 16-8-18; or
(xviii) Stalking; or

(C) A misdemeanor offense of:
(i) Crimes involving family violence, as defined in Code Section 19-13-1; or
(ii) Stalking.

(2) 'Unsecured judicial release' means any release ~~on a person's own recognizance~~ that does not purport a dollar amount through secured means as provided for in Code Section 17-6-4 or 17-6-50 or property as approved by the sheriff in the county where the offense was committed and that is:

(A) On a person's own recognizance; or
(B) For the purpose of entering a pretrial release program, a pretrial release and diversion program as provided for in Article 4 of Chapter 3 of Title 42, or a pretrial intervention and diversion program as provided for in Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 15, or pursuant to Uniform Superior Court Rule 27.

(b) An elected judge, an appointed judge filling the vacancy of an elected judge, or judge sitting by designation ~~as provided for in subsection (c) or (d) of this Code section~~ may issue an unsecured judicial release if:

(1) Such unsecured judicial release is noted on the release order; and
(2) The ~~Except as provided for in subsection (c) of this Code section, the~~ person is not charged with a bail restricted offense.

(c) ~~A person charged with a bail restricted offense shall not be released on bail on an unsecured judicial release for the purpose of entering a pretrial release program, a~~

~~pretrial release and diversion program as provided for in Article 4 of Chapter 3 of Title 42, or a pretrial intervention and diversion program as provided for in Article 4 of Chapter 18 of Title 15, or pursuant to Uniform Superior Court Rule 27.~~

~~(d)~~ Except as provided in subsection ~~(c)~~ (b) of this Code section and in addition to other laws regarding the release of an accused person, the judge of any court having jurisdiction over a person charged with committing an offense against the criminal laws of this state shall have authority, in his or her sound discretion and in appropriate cases, to authorize the release of the person on an unsecured judicial release only.

~~(e)~~(d) Upon the failure of a person released on an unsecured judicial release to appear for trial, if the release is not otherwise conditioned by the court, absent a finding of sufficient excuse to appear, the court shall summarily issue an order for his or her arrest which shall be enforced as in cases of forfeited bonds."

**SECTION 3.**

This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

**SECTION 4.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

Senator Gooch of the 51st moved that the Senate agree to the House substitute to SB 174.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | N Harbison | N Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| N Anderson, T. | N Harrell | Y Parent |
| N Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | N Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | N Jackson, K. | Y Robertson |
| Y Burns | N Jackson, L. | N Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | N Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| N Davenport | N Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | N Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | N Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 36, nays 14; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House substitute to SB 174.

The following bill was taken up to consider House action thereto:

HB 32. By Representatives Belton of the 112th, Nix of the 69th, Hawkins of the 27th, Greene of the 151st, Taylor of the 173rd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 9 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the O.C.G.A., relating to grants for educational programs, so as to establish a teacher recruitment and retention program for a refundable income tax credit for teachers who agree to teach in certain rural schools or certain low-performing schools; to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the O.C.G.A., relating to imposition, rate, computation, and exemptions from state income taxes, so as to provide for a refundable income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in said teacher recruitment and retention program; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House amendment to the Senate substitute was as follows:

The House offers the following amendment:

*Amend the Senate Substitute to HB 32 (LC 43 2019S) by replacing line 3 with the following:*
recruitment and retention program for an income tax credit for teachers who agree

*By replacing line 10 with the following:*
provide for an income tax credit for taxpayers who are participating teachers in

*By replacing line 67 with the following:*
tax credit as provided for in Code Section 48-7-29.23 to each participating

*By replacing lines 173 through 175 with the following:*
(b) In no event shall the total amount of the tax credit under this Code section for a taxable year exceed the taxpayer's income tax liability. Any unused tax credit shall be allowed to be carried forward to apply to the taxpayer's succeeding three years' tax liability. No such tax credit shall be allowed the taxpayer against prior years' tax liability.

Senator Jones of the 25th moved that the Senate agree to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 32.

On the motion, a roll call was taken and the vote was as follows:

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| Y Albers | Y Harbin | Y Miller |
| Y Anavitarte | Y Harbison | Y Mullis |
| Y Anderson, L. | Y Harper | Y Orrock |
| Y Anderson, T. | Y Harrell | Y Parent |
| Y Au | Y Hatchett | Y Payne |
| Y Beach | E Hickman | Y Rahman |
| Y Brass | Y Hufstetler | Y Rhett |
| Y Burke | Y Jackson, K. | Robertson |
| Y Burns | Y Jackson, L. | Seay |
| Y Butler | E James | Y Sims |
| Y Cowsert | Y Jones, B. | Y Strickland |
| Y Davenport | Y Jones, E. | Y Summers |
| Y Dixon | Y Jones, H. | E Tate |
| Y Dolezal | Y Jordan | Y Thompson |
| Y Dugan | Y Kennedy | Y Tillery |
| Y Ginn | Y Kirkpatrick | Y Tippins |
| Y Gooch | Y Lucas | Y Walker |
| Y Goodman | Y McNeill | Y Watson |
| E Halpern | Y Merritt | |

On the motion, the yeas were 50, nays 0; the motion prevailed, and the Senate agreed to the House amendment to the Senate substitute to HB 32.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 392. By Representatives Ridley of the 6th, Powell of the 32nd, Erwin of the 28th, Scoggins of the 14th and Washburn of the 141st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to alcoholic beverages, so as to provide that licenses for retail sale packages of alcoholic beverages for consumption off the premises shall be subject to regulation as to distances from schools as determined by the local governing authority; to provide definitions; to provide an exception; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 443. By Representatives Leverett of the 33rd and Scoggins of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Official

Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damages, so as to provide for new requirements regarding the transfer of structured settlement payment rights; to provide for definitions; to provide for registration of transferees; to provide for requirements; to provide for prohibited acts; to provide for required disclosures; to provide for approval of transfers; to provide for related matters; to provide for a short title; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 445. By Representatives Bruce of the 61st, Bazemore of the 63rd, Boddie of the 62nd, Dollar of the 45th, Thomas of the 65th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to incorporate the City of South Fulton in Fulton County, Georgia, approved April 26, 2016 (Ga. L. 2016, p. 3726), as amended, so as to change the corporate boundaries of the municipality; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 454. By Representatives Newton of the 123rd, Hatchett of the 150th, Cooper of the 43rd, Gaines of the 117th and Hawkins of the 27th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 33-20C-2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to online provider directories, so as to provide for certain coverage requirements concerning providers that become out-of-network during a plan year; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 498. By Representatives Watson of the 172nd, Dickey of the 140th, LaHood of the 175th, England of the 116th and Pirkle of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 1 of Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to property tax exemptions, so as to expand an exemption for agricultural equipment and certain farm products held by certain entities to include entities comprising two or more family owned farm entities; to add dairy products and unfertilized eggs of poultry as qualified farm products with respect to such exemption; to provide for a referendum; to provide for effective dates, applicability, and automatic repeal; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 575. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Watson of the 172nd, Pirkle of the 155th and Holmes of the 129th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 48-5-7.4, relating to bona fide conservation use property, residential transitional property, application procedures, penalties for breach of covenant, classification on tax digest, and annual report, so as to authorize on premises processing and marketing of agricultural products as a qualifying conservation use; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 591. By Representatives Hogan of the 179th, Williams of the 148th, Meeks of the 178th, Buckner of the 137th, Collins of the 68th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 37 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mental health, so as to authorize marriage and family therapists to perform certain acts which physicians, psychologists, and others are authorized to perform regarding emergency examinations of persons for involuntary evaluation and treatment for mental illness or alcohol or drug abuse; to define certain terms; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment to the following Bill of the House:

HB 480. By Representatives Washburn of the 141st, Jones of the 47th, Carpenter of the 4th, Moore of the 95th, Crowe of the 110th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 8 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to mechanics and materialmen liens, so as to provide for the creation, declaration, amendment, notice, and priority of liens for labor, services, or materials performed or furnished by registered interior designers; to provide for definitions; to provide for commencement of actions and limitations on amount of such liens; to provide for rights as to liens of partnerships, corporations, and associations made up of or employing registered interior designers; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following message was received from the House through Mr. Reilly, the Clerk thereof:

Mr. President:

The House has agreed to the Senate substitutes to the following Bills of the House:

HB 160. By Representatives Boddie of the 62nd, Dreyer of the 59th, Schofield of the 60th and Mainor of the 56th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 4 of Chapter 8 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to water and sewer projects and costs tax (MOST), so as to redefine the term "municipality"; to provide for audits of such tax by the state auditor under certain conditions; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 574. By Representatives Camp of the 131st, Cameron of the 1st, Hill of the 3rd, Houston of the 170th, Jenkins of the 132nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 4-11-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to licenses for pet dealers and kennel, stable, or animal shelter operators, requirement, issuance, and application, so as to provide for a Companion Local Government Animal Trust Fund for reimbursement of impoundment expenses incurred by local governments; to provide for annual reporting; to provide for promulgation of regulations; to provide for compliance with constitutional requirements; to provide for an effective date and automatic repeal; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The House has agreed to the Senate amendment to the following Bill of the House:

HB 258. By Representatives Sainz of the 180th, Momtahan of the 17th, Camp of the 131st, Burchett of the 176th, Clark of the 147th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 6 of Title 16 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sexual offenses, so as to provide a response to State v. Williams, 2020 Ga. LEXIS 85 (February 10, 2020); to provide that, when a victim is under the age of 16, consent of the victim shall not be a defense to a prosecution for sodomy, aggravated sodomy, child molestation, aggravated child molestation, sexual battery, and aggravated sexual battery; to make conforming changes; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following committee report was transmitted by the Secretary:

Mr. President:

The Engrossing and Journals subcommittee has read and examined the following legislation and has instructed me to report the same back to the Senate as correct and ready for transmission to the Governor:

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| SB 4 | SB 5 | SB 6 | SB 9 | SB 20 | SB 21 |
| SB 22 | SB 27 | SB 28 | SB 32 | SB 33 | SB 34 |
| SB 42 | SB 43 | SB 46 | SB 47 | SB 49 | SB 59 |
| SB 60 | SB 66 | SB 75 | SB 78 | SB 80 | SB 81 |
| SB 85 | SB 88 | SB 100 | SB 105 | SB 107 | SB 114 |
| SB 117 | SB 119 | SB 140 | SB 143 | SB 144 | SB 145 |
| SB 153 | SB 156 | SB 159 | SB 163 | SB 165 | SB 168 |
| SB 169 | SB 174 | SB 182 | SB 185 | SB 187 | SB 193 |
| SB 195 | SB 198 | SB 201 | SB 202 | SB 204 | SB 209 |
| SB 210 | SB 213 | SB 215 | SB 221 | SB 222 | SB 225 |
| SB 234 | SB 235 | SB 236 | SB 237 | SB 238 | SB 246 |
| SB 247 | SB 255 | SB 260 | SB 280 | SB 282 | SB 283 |
| SB 285 | SB 286 | SB 290 | SB 292 | SB 293 | SB 294 |
| SB 295 | SB 296 | SB 297 | SB 300 | SB 301 | SB 302 |
| SB 304 | SB 305 | SB 306 | SB 307 | SR 39 | SR 84 |
| SR 102 | SR 134 | | | | |

Senator Dugan of the 30th moved that the Senate adjourn sine die.

The motion prevailed, and the President announced the Senate adjourned sine die at 12:02 a.m.