



**Session Week 9 Report  
Legislative Days 28-31**



## **Week 8 Legislative Days 28-31**

The Georgia General Assembly has been racing towards Sine Die, working through Legislative Days 28-31 this week. The most eventful day of the week was Monday, Legislative Day 28, known as Crossover Day. Legislators worked well into the night, ensuring passage of over 100 bills, to allow them to crossover to the other chamber for consideration. Keep reading for a breakdown of the week and a list of pertinent legislation!

### **Crossover Day**

Monday, March 6 marked Crossover Day, the deadline by which a bill must pass out of its originating chamber to be considered this session by the other chamber. Dozens of bills were voted on in both chambers before midnight, with several either not receiving consideration, or failing a vote. Although Crossover Day serves as a deadline for bills to pass to the other chamber, this does not necessarily mean that bills that failed to “cross over” will not find their way into other existing legislation before Sine Die.

### **Tort Reform**

No major tort reform bills were able to make it to a vote on the Senate floor on Crossover Day. The “Georgia Landowners Protection Act,” SB 186 by Sen. Dolezal, would work to limit landowner liability, but did not receive a vote by the Senate floor on Crossover Day. The “Civil Practice Act,” dropped by Sen. Cowser as SB 200, would allow high ranking corporate or government officials to seek protective orders when sought for deposition and also did not receive a vote. The other two notable tort reform bills, SB 191 and SB 192, were not heard on the Senate floor.

## **Sports Betting**

Notably, Sports Betting did not make it through Crossover Day. SR 140, sponsored by Senator Bill Cowsert, called for a referendum that would add an amendment to the Georgia State Constitution allowing sports betting in the state of Georgia. SB 172, also sponsored by Senator Cowsert, would have created a gaming commission to regulate sports betting. SR 140, which would require a  $\frac{2}{3}$  majority vote, failed in the Senate 30-26, while SB 172 was not voted on. A third measure concerning sports betting, HB 380, sponsored by Representative Marcus Wiedower was likewise stalled in the House on Crossover Day, failing to reach the floor for a vote. Supporters of the measures estimate that sports betting could bring anywhere from \$30 million to \$100 million in revenue to the state to be used in turn for education scholarships, rural healthcare, promotion of sports in the state, and more. Nonetheless, the Georgia legislature has shown through its votes that it is not ready for sports betting this year.

## **School Safety**

Among the legislation that saw better luck on the floor during Crossover Day was measures concerning school safety. HB 147, the ‘Safe Schools Act’ passed out of the House. This measure would require schools to submit their safety plans to the state annually, require an annual active shooter drill at each school, and create a school safety anti-gang training program for teachers. SB 32, also known as ‘Alyssa’s Law,’ sponsored by Senator Jason Anavitarte, would require local education agencies to implement mobile panic alert systems capable of implementing disparate emergency services technology to enhance real-time coordination between local and state law enforcement and first responder agencies. This measure passed out of the Senate on Crossover Day, and has since been read and referred to the House Committee on Education.

## **Truck Weights**

HB 189 was voted on and passed on Crossover Day. The current tractor-trailer weight allowance in the State of Georgia is 80,000 pounds, allowing for a 4% variance for certain commodities (resulting in an 84,000 pound total). This bill would allow for a 10% variance, yielding an 88,000 pound allowance for certain uses. Earlier versions of the bill would have allowed for a 90,000 pound allowance for all uses, but several House Transportation Committee meetings yielded the current, more moderate version instead. HB 189 passed on the House floor 93-81, meaning the bill will now move on to be considered in the Senate.

## **Anti-Semitism Legislation**

On Crossover Day the House considered HB 30, which would provide a legal definition of ‘antisemitism’ in Georgia Code and would add any antisemitic actions to Georgia’s hate crimes statute. The bill is co-sponsored by Representative John Carson (R-Marietta) and the only Jewish member of the General Assembly, Representative Esther Panitch (D-Sandy Springs).

After a lengthy floor debate and impassioned speeches from the bill’s cosponsors, the measure passed 136-22. It has been assigned to the Judiciary Committee in the Senate.

## Budget Update

As of this week, the Georgia General Assembly has passed the Amended Fiscal Year 2023 budget. HB 18 provides for more than \$61.5 billion in funds, including \$32.6 billion in state dollars, and \$18.6 billion in federal funds and grants. The amended budget reflects the priorities of the Georgia legislature, including addressing mental health, education, and economic development. The measure will now go to Governor Brian Kemp for his signature. The House did not pass the full Fiscal Year 2024 budget by Monday, marking the first time in several years that the House missed the Crossover Day deadline, but the full budget did finally pass on legislative day 31.



## The Week Under the Gold Dome

### Overarching Legislation

<i>Bill</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>
<b>HB 30 (Rep. John Carson)</b>	State government; definition of antisemitism; provide	House passed; Senate read and referred to the Committee on Judiciary
<b>HB 191 (Rep. Ron Stephens)</b>	Revenue and taxation; pack of cigarettes; increase rate of tax	House read and referred to the Committee on Ways

		and Means
<b>HB 192 (Rep. Ron Stephens)</b>	Revenue and taxation; consumable vapor products; increase rate of tax	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 380 (Rep. Marcus Wiedower)</b>	Georgia Lottery Game of Sports Betting Act; enact	House Committee on Higher Education Favorably Reported By Substitute
<b>HB 489 (Rep. Mitchell Horner)</b>	Georgia Entertainment Industry Investment Act; aggregate annual limit; provide	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 530 (Rep. James Burchett)</b>	Civil practice; protective orders for certain high-ranking officers; provide	Senate read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities
<b>HB 565 (Rep. Tyler Smith)</b>	Social services; temporary assistance for needy families; increase access to benefits	House Committee Favorably Reported by Substitute
<b>HB 581 (Rep. Shaw Blackmon)</b>	Audits and Accounts, Department of; revise deadlines, selection criteria, and required contents for certain annual economic analyses	Senate read and referred to Committee on Finance
<b>HR 210 (Rep. James Beverly)</b>	General Assembly; law for sports betting, pari-mutuel betting, and casino gambling; authorize - CA	House read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries
<b>SB 57 (Sen. Billy Hickman)</b>	Georgia Sports Betting Integrity Act'; regulation and taxation of sports betting in this state; authorize and provide	Senate Lost
<b>SB 61 (Sen. Brian Strickland)</b>	Sick Leave for Care of Immediate Family Members; sunset provision relating to such sick leave requirements; repeal	House read and referred to Committee on Industry and Labor
<b>SB 113 (Sen. Randy Robertson)</b>	Municipal Corporations; the transition of services and facilities from an existing municipality to a newly incorporated municipality; provide	Senate Tabled
<b>SB 114 (Sen. Randy Robertson)</b>	City of Buckhead City; incorporate	Senate Lost

<b>SB 172 (Sen. Bill Cowsert)</b>	State Government; regulation and taxation of sports betting in this state; authorize and provide	Senate Tabled
<b>SB 186 (Sen. Greg Dolezal)</b>	"Georgia Landowners Protection Act"; enact	Senate Tabled
<b>SB 191 (Sen. Shawn Still)</b>	Motor Vehicles and Traffic; authorizing joinder of motor carriers and their insurance carriers in tort and contract causes of action; provisions; repeal	Senate Tabled
<b>SB 192 (Sen. Lee Anderson)</b>	Torts; employers and insurance providers of commercial motor vehicle operators based upon history of driving incidents; limit liability	Senate read and referred to Committee on Judiciary
<b>SB 194 (Sen. Shawn Still)</b>	Alcoholic Beverages and Motor Vehicles and Traffic; delivery of alcoholic beverages for personal use; provisions	Senate read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities
<b>SB 196 (Sen. Ben Watson)</b>	Safety Belts; failure to wear safety restraints for children as admissible evidence in civil actions; provide	Senate Lost
<b>SB 200 (Sen. Bill Cowsert)</b>	"Civil Practice Act"; high ranking government or corporate officer of whom a deposition is sought to seek a protective order; provide	Senate Tabled
<b>SB 255 (Sen. Chuck Payne)</b>	Gambling; provisions relative to dogfighting; revise	Senate read and referred to Committee on Public Safety
<b>SB 260 (Sen. Bo Hatchett)</b>	"Georgia Electric Vehicle Future Act"; enact	Senate read second time
<b>SB 265 (Sen. Blake Tillery)</b>	Notaries Public; electronic notarization of certain notarial acts using real time audio-video communication technology; provide	Senate read and referred to Committee on Judiciary
<b>SB 271 (Sen. John Albers)</b>	Georgia Superior Court Clerks' Cooperative Authority; in-person electronic execution of notarial certificates; authorize	Senate read and referred to Committee on Judiciary
<b>SR 275 (Sen. John</b>	Senate Study Committee on Expanding	Senate Hopper

<b>Albers)</b>	Georgia's Workforce; create	
<b>SR 279 (Sen. Greg Dolezal)</b>	Senate Study Committee on Certificate of Need Reform; create	Senate Hopper

## AIA Bills of Interest

<i>Bill</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Status</i>
<b>HB 26 (Rep. Mandisha Thomas)</b>	Right to Breath Act - so as to require the Department of Community Affairs to include certain indoor air quality provisions in applicable state minimum standard codes	House read and referred to Committee on Public Health
<b>HB 145 (Rep. Regina Lewis-Ward)</b>	Property owners' associations; certificates of good standing for payment of annual assessments; provide	House read and referred to Committee on Judiciary
<b>HB 188 (Rep. Steven Sainz)</b>	Georgia Dangerous Sexual Predator Prevention Act; enact	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Public Safety
<b>HB 239 (Rep. Bruce Williamson)</b>	Income tax; purchases and acquisitions of qualified investment property to include mining facilities; expand credits	House Committee Favorably Reported
<b>HB 251 (Rep. Kim Schofield)</b>	Clean Energy Act; enact	House read and referred to Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications
<b>HB 257 (Rep. Kim Schofield)</b>	Helath; feminine hygiene products containing restricted substances; prohibit distribution or sale	House read and referred to Committee on Public Health
<b>HB 278 (Rep. John LaHood)</b>	Professions and businesses; athletic trainers; revise and update definitions	House read and referred to Committee on Health
<b>HB 331 (Rep. Victor Anderson)</b>	Revenue and taxation; accountability of tax collectors and tax commissioners; repeal provisions	House Committee Favorably Reported

<b>HB 574 (Rep. Joseph Gullett)</b>	Buildings and housing; local fire ordinances may require fire sprinkles in one and two family dwellings; provide	House read and referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>HB 575 (Rep. Joseph Gullett)</b>	Professions and businesses; licensee may request review of an occupational regulation; provide	House read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries
<b>HB 514 (Rep. Dale Washburn)</b>	Housing Regulation Transparency Act; enact	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
<b>HB 517 (Rep. Dale Washburn)</b>	Georgia Homeowner Opportunity Act; enact	House read and referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 157 (Sen. Brian Strickland)</b>	Professions and Businesses; preclearance process in the licensing of individuals with criminal records who make an application to or are investigated by certain licensing boards and commissions; create	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Judiciary - Non-Civil
<b>HB 40 (Rep. Marvin Lim)</b>	Excise tax; rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; provide exemption from county and municipal taxes for charges paid by hotel/motel vouchers	House Second Readers; Ways and Means
<b>HB 48 (Rep. Jesse Petrea)</b>	Elections; district attorneys and solicitors-general of state courts be elected in nonpartisan elections; provide	House Second Readers; Retirement
<b>HB 52 (Rep. Brad Thomas)</b>	Transportation, Department of; amend notice provisions relative to meetings for election of board members, provisions	House Passed; Senate Passed/Adopted As Amended
<b>HB 72 (Rep. Debra Bazemore)</b>	Local government; compensation and benefits for employees and members of governing authorities; revise provisions	House read and referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>HB 90 (Rep. Ron Stephens)</b>	Ad valorem tax; provisions shall not apply to levying authorities and recommending authorities with base year homestead exemptions; provide	House read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means



<b>HB 96 (Rep. Ron Stephens)</b>	Revenue and taxation; definitions; change certain provisions	House read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 97 (Rep. Ron Stephens)</b>	Revenue and taxation; definitions; change certain provisions	House read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 98 (Rep. David Knight)</b>	Ad valorem tax; property; change certain definitions	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 102 (Rep. Chuck Martin)</b>	Sales and use tax; change certain definitions	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 103 (Rep. Chuck Martin)</b>	Sales and use tax; change certain definitions	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 104 (Rep. Chuck Martin)</b>	Excise tax; rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; change certain definitions	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 105 (Rep. Chuck Martin)</b>	Excise tax; rooms, lodgings, and accommodations; change certain definitions	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 155 (Rep. Charles Martin)</b>	Professions and businesses; issuance of licenses by endorsement for spouses of firefighters, healthcare providers, and law enforcement officers who relocate to Georgia; provide	House Passed; Senate Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities Favorably Reported
<b>HB 176 (Rep. Stan Gunter)</b>	Courts; increase amount of court reporters' monthly contingent expense and travel allowance	House Passed; Senate read and referred to the Judiciary Committee
<b>HB 189 (Rep. Steven Meeks)</b>	Highways, bridges, and ferries; allowable variance for weight limitations upon a vehicle or load; provide for	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Transportation

<b>HB 193 (Rep. Victor Anderson)</b>	Local government; increase dollar values of certain public works construction contracts exempt from bidding requirements	House Passed/Adopted, senate read and referred to government oversight
<b>HB 200 (Rep. Joseph Gullet)</b>	Elections; municipalities to adopt and use instant runoff voting for their elections; provide for the option	House read and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>HB 204 (Rep. Bill Yearta)</b>	Georgia Municipal Court Clerks' Council; create	House Passed/Adopted; Senate referred to Committee on Judiciary
<b>HB 223 (Rep. Ron Stephens)</b>	Revenue and taxation; procedures for certain local governments to change certain nonprofit organizations engaged to promote tourism, conventions, and trade shows for such jurisdiction; provide	House Committee on Ways and Means Favorably Reported
<b>HB 251 (Rep. Kim Schofield)</b>	Clean Energy Act; enact	house read and referred to the Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Telecommunications
<b>HB 254 (Rep. David Jenkins)</b>	Civil practices; alternative procedure for designation of official legal organ; provide	House Passed; Senate read and referred to Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations
<b>HB 264 (Rep. Vance Smith)</b>	Revenue and taxation; handling of appeals of property tax assessments; revise certain deadlines and procedures	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Finance
<b>HB 265 (Rep. Doreen Carter)</b>	Rockdale Judicial Circuit; Superior Court judges; change amount of salary supplement	House passed, Senate read and referred to the Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations
<b>HB 307 (Rep. Alan Powell)</b>	Public Service Commission; exclude provision of electricity to propel motor vehicles through electric vehicle charging equipment	House read and referred to Committee on Technology and Infrastructure Innovation

<b>HB 331 (Rep. Victor Anderson)</b>	Revenue and taxation; accountability of tax collectors and tax commissioners; repeal provisions	House Committee Favorably Reported
<b>HB 347 (Rep. Tim Fleming)</b>	Alternative ad valorem tax; rental motor vehicle; revise definition	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 355 (Rep. Kasey Carpenter)</b>	Property owners' associations; creating or enforcing covenants which infringe on a lot owners' right to use natural gas or solar energy device; prohibit	House Judiciary Committee Favorably Reported
<b>HB 374 (Rep. Brad Thomas)</b>	Local government; municipal deannexation; repeal certain provisions	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on State and Local Governmental Operations
<b>HB 408 (Rep. Bruce Williamson)</b>	Sales and use tax; exemption for competitive projects of regional significance; change sunset provision	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Finance
<b>HB 409 (Rep. Lauren Daniel)</b>	Local government; authorize local authorities to dispose of real property in the same manner as county governing authorities	House Committee on Governmental Affairs Favorably Reported By Substitute
<b>HB 410 (Rep. Lauren Daniel)</b>	Professions and businesses; certain certification requirements for operators of wastewater treatment plants; provide	House read and referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
<b>HB 415 (Rep. Debra Silcox)</b>	Revenue and taxation; joint county and municipal sales and use tax (LOST); call of elections; revise a provision	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 424 (Rep. Kenneth Vance)</b>	Courts; office of sheriff; revise qualification requirements	House Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute
<b>HB 426 (Rep. Shaw Blackmon)</b>	Elections; retention and preservation of ballots and other election documents; revise provisions	House Governmental Affairs Committee Favorably Reported By Substitute

<b>HB 429 (Rep. Tyler Smith)</b>	Georgia Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Act; prohibit permitting of new municipal solid waste landfills located within 1.5 miles of any perennial stream	House read and referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
<b>HB 438 (Rep. Victor Anderson)</b>	Public utilities; prohibit governmental entities from adopting any policy that prohibits the connection or reconnection of any utility service based upon the type or source of energy or fuel	House Committee on Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications Favorably Reported
<b>HB 467 (Rep. Steve Tarvin)</b>	Courts; compensation received by certain local government officials; modify certain provisions	house read and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>HB 476 (Rep. James Beverly)</b>	Revenue and taxation; tax credits for qualified low-income buildings; provisions	House read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HB 500 (Rep. Deborah Silcox)</b>	Crimes and offenses; offense of arson of law enforcement vehicle; provide	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Judiciary
<b>HB 503 (Rep. Lee Hawkins)</b>	Income tax; certain contributions by taxpayers to certain local firefighter foundations; provide tax credit	House read and referred to Committee on ways and means
<b>HB 514 (Rep. Dale Washburn)</b>	Housing Regulation Transparency Act; enact	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Economic Development and Tourism
<b>HB 516 (Rep. Derrick McCollum)</b>	Transportation, Department of; increase minimum amount for a public road construction or maintenance contract that prohibits negotiation	House Transportation Committee Favorably Reported
<b>HB 517 (Rep. Dale Washburn)</b>	Georgia Homeowner Opportunity Act; enact	House read and referred to the Government Affairs Committee

<b>HB 534 (Rep. Carl Gilliard)</b>	Tenant Protection Act; enact	House read and referred to the Government Affairs Committee
<b>HB 541 (Rep. Eddie Lumsden)</b>	Motor vehicles; proper procedure for passing postal service vehicle; provide	House passed; Senate referred to Committee on Public Safety
<b>HB 585 (Rep. Todd Jones)</b>	Georgia Development Impact Fee Act; enact	House Committee on Governmental Affairs Favorably Reported
<b>HB 651 (Rep. Devan Seabaugh)</b>	Fireworks; local governments to regulate times when used; authorize	House read and referred to Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security
<b>HB 654 (Rep. Katie Dempsey)</b>	Waste management; local governments to impose a surcharge for auto shredder residue at facilities operated by private enterprise; authorize	House read and referred to Committee on Natural Resources & Environment
<b>HB 665 (Rep. Lydia Glaize)</b>	Johnny Tolbert III Heat Stroke Youth Protection Act; enact	House read and referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>HR 98 (Rep. Kasey Carpenter)</b>	Property; authorize exemptions from local ad valorem taxation in addition to homestead exemptions - CA	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>HR 118 (Rep. Bill Yearta)</b>	County tax commissioners; waive certain delinquent ad valorem taxes; authorize - CA	House read and referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>SB 1 (Senator Greg Dolezal)</b>	State Government; automatic repealer on the prohibition on state and local governments from requiring proof of COVID vaccination for government services; remove	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Public Health
<b>SB 2 (Sen. Greg Dolezal)</b>	Torts; certain immunities from liability claims regarding COVID-19; provisions; revise	Senate read and referred to Committee on Judiciary

<b>SB 16 (Sen. John Albers)</b>	“Georgia EMS Reform Act”; enact	Senate read and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
<b>SB 37 (Sen. Randy Robertson)</b>	Sheriffs; qualification requirements for the office of sheriff; revise	Senate passed, House read and referred to Public Safety and Homeland Security
<b>SB 47 (Sen. Chuck Hufstetler)</b>	Offenses Against Public Health And Morals; vaping in restricted areas is a misdemeanor punishable by fine; provide	Senate passed, House read and referred to Public Health
<b>SB 78 (Sen. Randy Robertson)</b>	Off-Road Vehicles; civil forfeiture of any off-road vehicle operated while fleeing police or driving aggressively; authorize	Senate Read Second Time
<b>SB 93 (Sen. Jason Anavitarte)</b>	Information Technology; use of certain social media platforms on state equipment; restrict	Senate Passed/Adopted By Substitute, house read and referred to the committee on public safety and homeland security
<b>SB 110 (Sen. Larry Walker)</b>	Back the Blue Act'; enact	Senate Passed; Houser ead and referred to Committee on Insurance
<b>SB 116 (Sen. Ben Watson)</b>	Disposition of Municipal Property; the maximum term of certain leases or contracts for the use of property owned by a municipality for recreational facilities; provisions	Senate Passed; House read and referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 121 (Sen. Lee Anderson)</b>	Counties and Municipal Corporations; local governments from denying the drilling, servicing, or repair of new or existing water wells on single-family residential and farm properties; prohibit	Senate Passed; House read and referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Environment
<b>SB 124 (Sen. Ed Setzler)</b>	County Governing Authorities; authority of county governing authorities to reapportion or redistrict their election districts; restate constitutional limitations	Senate Tabled

<b>SB 127 (Sen. Billy Hickman)</b>	Excise Tax; procedures for certain local governments to change the designated private sector nonprofit organization; provide	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Ways and Means
<b>SB 136 (Sen. Mike Dugan)</b>	Impact Fees; required revenue source for a development project involving workforce housing; modify	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 145 (Sen. Shawn Still)</b>	"Landscape Equipment and Agricultural Fairness (LEAF) Act"; enact	Senate Passed; House read and referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 163 (Sen. Chuck Hufstetler)</b>	Alcoholic Beverages; regulation of the manufacture, distribution, and sale of malt beverages; probide	Senate read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities
<b>SB 165 (Sen. Russ Goodman)</b>	Dimensions and Weight of Vehicles and Loads; allowable variance for weight limitations upon a vehicle or load; provide	Senate read and referred to Committee on Transportation
<b>SB 167 (Sen. Randy Robertson)</b>	Public Utilities and Public Transportation; electricity to propel motor vehicles through electric vehicle charging equipment; exclude the provision	Senate read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities
<b>SB 171 (Sen. Max Burns)</b>	Development Authorities; the length of a director's hold-over period following expiration of term of office; limit	Senate Tabled
<b>SB 173 (Sen. Ben Watson)</b>	Emergency Medical Services; hospital authorities may transfer its ambulance service license to its local governing body; provide	Senate read and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services
<b>SB 188 (Sen. Russ Goodman)</b>	Local Government; restrictions on residential dwellings; prohibit	Senate read and referred to Committee on Regulated Industries and Utilities
<b>SB 189 (Sen. Max Burns)</b>	Elections; text portions of ballots shall be counted for vote tabulation and recounts purposes; provide	Senate read and referred to Committee on Ethics

<b>SB 208 (Sen. Greg Dolezal)</b>	Georgia Development Impact Fee Act'; provide for fees for education	Senate Read Second Time
<b>SB 213 (Sen. Max Burns)</b>	Zoning Procedures; local governments from preventing the continuance of lawful nonconforming use of property; prohibit	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 214 (Sen. Shawn Still)</b>	Alcoholic Beverages; number of retail dealer licenses that a person may hold or have a beneficial interest in	senate read and referred to regulated industries and utilities committee
<b>SB 215 (Sen. Matt Brass)</b>	Public Records; personal information of public employees; protect from public disclosure	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 221 (Sen. Max Burns)</b>	Primaries and Elections; the language that must be used on absentee ballot applications distributed by persons or entities; revise	Senate Read Second Time
<b>SB 222 (Sen. Max Burns)</b>	Primaries and Elections; all costs and expenses relating to election administration are paid for with lawfully appropriate public funds; provide	Senate passed; House referred to Committee on Governmental Affairs
<b>SB 226 (Sen. Marty Harbin)</b>	Primaries and Elections; unique bar codes and alphanumeric accountability numbers on individual absentee ballots; require	Senate read and referred to Ethics
<b>SB 229 (Sen. Brandon Beach)</b>	Elections and Primaries; any person employed or retained by a county election superintendent must be a citizen of the United States; provide	Senate read and referred to Ethics
<b>SB 232 (Sen. John Kennedy)</b>	Courts; provide for probate court fees; funding of the State Children's Trust Fund; requirement of permit for conduct of fireworks display; amend	Senate read and referred to Judiciary



<b>SB 263 (Sen. Sam Watson)</b>	Counties and Municipal Corporations; disconnecting interconnected public water systems; prohibit local governments	Senate read and referred to Committee on Insurance and Labor
<b>SB 293 (Sen. Ben Watson)</b>	County Boards of Health; operational policies and procedures of the Department of Public Health apply to local personnel; provide	Senate Hopper
<b>SR 221 (Sen. Max Burns)</b>	Joint Study Committee on Run-Off Elections; create	Senate Read Second Time