

Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia**Monday, March 19, 2012****Thirty-Fourth Legislative Day**

The House met pursuant to adjournment at 10:00 o'clock, A.M., this day and was called to order by the Speaker.

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

E Abdul-Salaam	Cooper	Heard	Mayo	Sheldon
Abrams	E Crawford	Hembree	McBrayer	Sims, B
Allison	Davis	E Henson	McCall	Smith, E
Amerson	E Dawkins-Haigler	Hightower	McKillip	Smith, K
Anderson	Dickerson	Holcomb	Meadows	Smith, L
Ashe	Dickey	Holmes	Mitchell	Smith, R
Atwood	Dickson	Holt	E Morgan	E Smith, T
E Baker	Dobbs	Horne	Murphy	Smyre
Battles	Dollar	Houston	Nimmer	Spencer
E Beasley-Teague	Drenner	Howard	Nix	Stephens, M
Bell	Dudgeon	E Hudson	O'Neal	Stephens, R
Benton	Dukes	Hugley	Parent	Talton
Beverly	Dunahoo	Jackson	Parrish	Tankersley
Black	Dutton	Jacobs	Parsons	Taylor, D
Braddock	England	James	Peake	E Taylor, R
Brockway	Epps, J	Jasperse	Powell, A	Taylor, T
Brooks	Evans	Jerguson	Powell, J	Thomas
Bruce	Frazier	Johnson	Pruett	Waites
E Bryant	Fullerton	Jones, J	Purcell	Watson
Buckner	Gardner	Jones, S	Ramsey	Welch
Burns	Geisinger	Kaiser	Randall	E Weldon
Byrd	Golick	Kendrick	Reece	Wilkerson
Carson	Gordon	Kidd	Rice	Wilkinson
Carter	Greene	Kirby	Riley	Willard
Casas	Hamilton	Knight	Roberts	Williams, A
Channell	Hanner	Lane	Rogers, C	Williams, C
Cheokas	Harbin	Lindsey	Rogers, T	Williams, E
Clark, J	Harden, B	Maddox, B	Rynders	Williams, R
Clark, V	Harden, M	Maddox, G	E Scott, M	Williamson
Coleman	Harrell	Manning	Scott, S	Yates
Collins	Hatchett	E Maxwell	Shaw	Ralston, Speaker
Coomer	Hatfield			

The following members were off the floor of the House when the roll was called:

Representatives Benfield of the 85th, Cooke of the 18th, Fludd of the 66th, Hill of the 21st, Jordan of the 77th, Long of the 61st, Marin of the 96th, Martin of the 47th, Mosby of the 90th, Neal of the 1st, Neal of the 75th, Oliver of the 83rd, Pak of the 102nd, Setzler of the 35th, Sims of the 169th, Stephenson of the 92nd, and Teasley of the 38th.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Ann L. Hardman, Faith Worship Center International, Columbus, Georgia.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Representative Davis of the 109th, Chairman of the Committee on Information and Audits, reported that the Journal of the previous legislative day had been read and found to be correct.

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

The Journal was confirmed.

By unanimous consent, the following was established as the order of business during the first part of the period of unanimous consents:

1. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions.
2. First reading and reference of House Bills and Resolutions.
3. Second reading of Bills and Resolutions.
4. Reports of Standing Committees.
5. Third reading and passage of Local uncontested Bills.
6. First reading and reference of Senate Bills and Resolutions.

By unanimous consent, the following Bills of the House were introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committees:

HB 1274. By Representatives Stephens of the 164th, Pruett of the 144th and Sims of the 119th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 7 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general provisions regarding the Department of Economic Development, so as to provide for a short title; to create a revenue fund for tourism marketing; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Tourism.

HB 1275. By Representative Stephens of the 164th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Chatham Area Transit Authority, approved March 28, 1986 (Ga. L. 1986, p. 5082), as amended particularly by an Act approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 3587), so as to provide for board membership and staggered terms; to provide for methods of transacting business; to provide for per diem allowances for members and chairperson of the board; to provide for the election of a chairperson; to provide for the audit of books and records of the authority; to repeal a provision providing for financial operations and administrative matters to be performed by Chatham County; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1276. By Representative Stephens of the 164th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the City of Richmond Hill; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the city; to provide for a governing authority of such city and the powers, duties, authority, election, terms, vacancies, compensation, expenses, qualifications, prohibitions, conflicts of interest, and suspension and removal from office relative to members of such governing authority; to provide for inquiries and investigations; to provide for oaths, organization, meetings, quorum, voting, rules, and procedures; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1277. By Representatives Channell of the 116th and Anderson of the 117th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Washington, Georgia, approved February 14, 1958 (Ga. L. 1958, p. 2139), as amended, so as to change the description of the council districts; to define certain terms and provide for certain inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for the submission of this Act for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

By unanimous consent, the rules were suspended in order that the following Bills and Resolution of the House could be introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committees:

HB 1278. By Representatives Knight of the 126th and Yates of the 73rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the Magistrate Court of Spalding County to charge a technology fee for each civil case filed and criminal fine imposed; to specify the uses to which such technology fees may be put; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1279. By Representatives Knight of the 126th and Yates of the 73rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the Probate Court of Spalding County to charge a technology fee for each civil case filed; to specify the uses to which such technology fees may be put; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1280. By Representatives Knight of the 126th and Yates of the 73rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the State Court of Spalding County, approved December 14, 1897 (Ga. L. 1897, p. 462), as amended, so as to authorize the court to charge a technology fee for each civil case filed and each criminal fine imposed; to specify the uses to which such technology fees may be put; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1281. By Representative Hatfield of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Ware County Water and Sewer Authority, now known as the Satilla Regional Water and Sewer Authority, approved October 1, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, Ex. Sess., p. 705), as amended, so as to allow members to be elected for unlimited consecutive terms; to repeal a provision relating to expansion of services and addition of members; to reduce the number of days of nonpayment beyond which the

authority may disconnect service; to raise the maximum fee for reconnection of service; to exempt the authority from sales and use taxes; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1282. By Representative Hatfield of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the board of commissioners for Charlton County, approved August 4, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 529), as amended, so as to change provisions relating to the number of meetings to be held by the board; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1283. By Representative Hatfield of the 177th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act providing for a nonstaggered four-month vehicle registration period for Charlton County, approved March 25, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3608); to specify the vehicle registration period for Charlton County; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1284. By Representative Smith of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act changing the composition and method of election of the Board of Education of Appling County, approved February 2, 1988 (Ga. L. 1988, p. 3529), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 4, 1994 (Ga. L. 1994, p. 3601), so as to change the description of the education districts; to define certain terms; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for conditional automatic repeal; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1285. By Representative Smith of the 168th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the board of commissioners of Appling County, approved February 12, 1945 (Ga. L. 1945, p. 650), as amended, so as to change the description of the

commissioner districts; to define certain terms; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for conditional automatic repeal; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1286. By Representative Morris of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a Board of Commissioners of Treutlen County, approved March 12, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 807), as amended, so as to change the description of the commissioner districts; to define certain terms; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1287. By Representative Morris of the 155th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the election of the members of the Treutlen County Board of Education, approved March 23, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 2340), as amended, so as to change the description of the education districts; to define certain terms; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1288. By Representative Powell of the 29th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to re-create and reconstitute the Hart County Water and Sewer Authority; to provide for a short title; to provide for definitions; to provide for the purposes, powers, duties, and functions of the authority and authorize certain contracts and agreements; to repeal a certain Act; to provide for other matters relative to the foregoing; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1289. By Representatives Mosby of the 90th, Oliver of the 83rd, Bell of the 58th, Mitchell of the 88th, Waites of the 60th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act establishing in DeKalb County districts from which members of the county board of education shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, so as to provide for certain terms of office; to provide for the continuation in office of current members; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HB 1290. By Representatives Mosby of the 90th, Oliver of the 83rd, Bell of the 58th, Benfield of the 85th, Jacobs of the 80th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act establishing in DeKalb County districts from which members of the county board of education shall be elected, approved April 12, 1963 (Ga. L. 1963, p. 3424), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4536), so as to change the description of the education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for certain terms of office; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

HR 1849. By Representatives Shaw of the 176th, Houston of the 170th and Roberts of the 154th:

A RESOLUTION honoring Sergeant Major James E. Jones and dedicating a bridge in his honor; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Transportation.

By unanimous consent, the following Bills and Resolutions of the House and Senate were read the second time:

HB 1255

HB 1257

HB 1256

HB 1258

HB 1259	HB 1260
HB 1261	HB 1262
HB 1263	HB 1264
HB 1265	HB 1266
HB 1267	HB 1268
HB 1269	HB 1270
HB 1271	HB 1272
HB 1273	HR 1809
HR 1825	HR 1826
HR 1827	SB 514
SB 518	SB 520

Representative Coleman of the 97th District, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration the following Bills of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

SB 153	Do Pass	SB 289	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 403	Do Pass, by Substitute	SB 404	Do Pass
SB 410	Do Pass, by Substitute		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Coleman of the 97th
Chairman

Representative Cooper of the 41st District, Chairman of the Committee on Health and Human Services, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services has had under consideration the following Bills of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

SB 338	Do Pass	SB 346	Do Pass
SB 361	Do Pass	SB 407	Do Pass
SB 489	Do Pass		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Cooper of the 41st
Chairman

Representative Sims of the 169th District, Chairman of the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local Legislation has had under consideration the following Bills of the House and Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HB 1239	Do Pass	HB 1240	Do Pass
HB 1242	Do Pass	HB 1243	Do Pass
HB 1244	Do Pass	HB 1245	Do Pass
HB 1248	Do Pass	HB 1249	Do Pass
HB 1250	Do Pass	HB 1251	Do Pass
HB 1252	Do Pass	HB 1253	Do Pass
HB 1254	Do Pass	SB 477	Do Pass
SB 495	Do Pass		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Sims of the 169th
Chairman

Representative Willard of the 49th District, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary has had under consideration the following Bills and Resolutions of the House and Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HR 1611	Do Pass, by Substitute	HR 1644	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 50	Do Pass, by Substitute	SB 52	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 107	Do Pass	SB 333	Do Pass
SB 351	Do Pass, by Substitute	SB 372	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 383	Do Pass	SB 492	Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Willard of the 49th
Chairman

Representative Smith of the 70th District, Chairman of the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Natural Resources and Environment has had under consideration the following Bills and Resolution of the House and Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HR 1367	Do Pass	SB 110	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 362	Do Pass	SB 369	Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Smith of the 70th
Chairman

Representative Williams of the 4th District, Chairman of the Committee on Regulated Industries, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Regulated Industries has had under consideration the following Bill of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

SB 143 Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Williams of the 4th
Chairman

Representative Maxwell of the 17th District, Chairman of the Committee on Retirement, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Retirement has had under consideration the following Bills of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

SB 246	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 286	Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Maxwell of the 17th
Chairman

The following Resolutions of the House, referred to the House Rules Subcommittee on Invites, were reported by the Committee on Rules with the following recommendations:

HR 1525	Do Pass	HR 1526	Do Pass
HR 1527	Do Pass	HR 1746	Do Pass
HR 1828	Do Pass	HR 1830	Do Pass

The following report of the Committee on Rules was read and adopted:

HOUSE RULES CALENDAR
MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2012

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 34th Legislative Day as enumerated below:

DEBATE CALENDAR

Open Rule

None

Modified Open Rule

SB 390 Agriculture; provide immunity from civil liability for the agency designated to provide for seed certification (Substitute)(A&CA-Dickey-136th)
Bulloch-11th

Modified Structured Rule

SB 358 State Government; require this state to reciprocate the preferences granted by out-of-state local governments; resident vendors (A&CA-Powell-171st)
Bulloch-11th

SR 765 Property Conveyance; grant nonexclusive easement to Bryan, Butts, and Liberty counties (SI&P) Carter-1st

Structured Rule

None

Bills and Resolutions on this calendar may be called in any order the Speaker desires.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Meadows of the 5th
Chairman

By unanimous consent, the following Bills of the House and Senate were taken up for consideration and read the third time:

HB 1239. By Representative Dutton of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the election of members of the board of education of Tattnall County, approved February 29, 1968 (Ga. L. 1968, p. 2077), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 11, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3922), and by an Act approved May 30, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 3802), so as to change the description of the education districts; to define certain terms and provide for certain inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for the submission of this Act for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1240. By Representative Dutton of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of commissioners of Tattnall County, approved August 8, 1927 (Ga. L. 1927, p. 674), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 11, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 3916), and by an Act approved May 30, 2003 (Ga. L. 2003, p. 3833), so as to change the description of the commissioner districts; to define certain terms and provide for certain inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for the submission of this Act for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1242. By Representatives Rogers of the 26th, Dunahoo of the 25th, Collins of the 27th and Benton of the 31st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a board of commissioners of Hall County, approved March 21, 1935 (Ga. L. 1935, p. 661), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 25, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 4941), so as to change the description of the commissioner districts; to define certain terms and provide for certain inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for related matters; to provide for the submission of this Act for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1243. By Representative Dutton of the 166th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Glennville, approved August 21, 1911 (Ga. L. 1911, p. 1228), as amended, particularly by an Act approved March 22, 1990 (Ga. L. 1990, p. 4466), an Act approved April 28, 2006 (Ga. L. 2006, p. 3756), and an Act approved May 11, 2009 (Ga. L. 2009, p. 4304), so as to change the corporate limits of the city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1244. By Representatives Setzler of the 35th, Ehrhart of the 36th, Wilkerson of the 33rd, Johnson of the 37th, Manning of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating a new charter for the City of Kennesaw, approved April 10, 1971 (Ga. L. 1971, p. 3620), as amended, particularly by home rule amendment filed in the office of Secretary of State September 22, 2009 (Ga. L. 2010, p. 4239), and as amended by an Act approved April 20, 2011 (Ga. L. 2011, p. 3645), so as to change the provisions relating to the corporate limits of the city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1245. By Representatives Powell of the 29th and Harden of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Franklin County and to provide for its powers and duties, approved May 1, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 3632), so as to stagger the terms of the members of the board; to provide for submission of this Act for preclearance pursuant to Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1248. By Representatives Bryant of the 160th and Purcell of the 159th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for a homestead exemption from City of Garden City ad valorem taxes for municipal purposes in the amount of \$40,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that city; to provide for definitions; to specify the terms and conditions of the exemption and the procedures relating thereto; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1249. By Representative Reece of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a new charter for the Town of Lyerly; to provide for incorporation, boundaries, and powers of the town; to provide for a governing authority of such town and the powers, duties, authority, election, terms, vacancies, compensation, expenses, qualifications, prohibitions, conflicts of interest, and suspension and removal from office relative to members of such governing authority; to provide for inquiries and investigations; to provide for oaths, organization, meetings, quorum, voting, rules, and procedures; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1250. By Representatives Meadows of the 5th and Dickson of the 6th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create the board of elections of Murray County, approved March 12, 1984 (Ga. L. 1984, p. 4009), so as to create the Murray County Board of Elections and Registration; to change the manner of selection of members of the board of elections and registration; to provide for certain qualifications for members of the board; to provide for the certification of appointments; to provide for filling of vacancies; to provide for oaths of office; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1251. By Representative Pruett of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide for the membership of the Dodge County - Eastman Development Authority; to provide a statement of authority; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1252. By Representative Pruett of the 144th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Heart of Georgia Regional Airport Authority, approved April 18, 1995 (Ga. L. 1995, p. 4448), as amended, particularly by an Act approved April 19, 2000 (Ga. L. 2000, p. 4294), so as to change the method of appointing the members of the authority; to repeal conflicting laws; to provide for an effective date; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1253. By Representatives Smith of the 168th, Sims of the 169th and Roberts of the 154th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the election of members of the Board of Education of Jeff Davis County, approved March 27, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 2760), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2005 (Ga. L. 2005, p. 3902), so as to change the description of the

education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

HB 1254. By Representatives Smith of the 168th, Sims of the 169th and Roberts of the 154th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Jeff Davis County, approved March 25, 1958 (Ga. L. 1958, p. 3288), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 6, 2005 (Ga. L. 2005, p. 3896), so as to change the description of the commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

SB 477. By Senators Sims of the 12th, Stoner of the 6th, Henson of the 41st and Hooks of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Baker County and provide for its powers and duties, approved May 6, 2009 (Ga. L. 2009, p. 3716), so as to reconstitute and change the composition of the board and the selection and appointment of its members; to provide for related matters; to provide for submission for preclearance under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

SB 495. By Senator Rogers of the 21st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act reincorporating and re-creating the City of Woodstock, approved April 17, 1975 (Ga. L. 1975, p. 4160), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 17, 2004 (Ga. L. 2004, p. 4472), so as to change the corporate limits of the city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

By unanimous consent, the following roll call vote was made applicable to the previously read Bills.

On the passage of the Bills, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

E Abdul-Salaam	Y Davis	Heckstall	Y Mayo	Setzler
Y Abrams	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Hembree	Y McBrayer	Y Shaw
Y Allison	Y Dempsey	E Henson	Y McCall	Y Sheldon
Y Amerson	Y Dickerson	Y Hightower	Y McKillip	Y Sims, B
Y Anderson	Y Dickey	Y Hill	Y Meadows	Sims, C
Y Ashe	Y Dickson	Y Holcomb	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, E
Atwood	Y Dobbs	Y Holmes	Y Morgan	Y Smith, K
E Baker	Dollar	Y Holt	Morris	Y Smith, L
Y Battles	Y Drenner	Y Horne	Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dudgeon	Y Houston	Y Murphy	E Smith, T
Y Bell	Y Dukes	Y Howard	Y Neal, J	Y Smyre
Y Benfield	Y Dunahoo	Y Hudson	Neal, Y	Y Spencer
Y Benton	Y Dutton	Hugley	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, M
Y Beverly	Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Nix	Y Stephens, R
Y Black	Y England	Y Jacobs	Oliver	Stephenson
Y Braddock	Y Epps, C	Y James	Y O'Neal	Y Talton
Y Brockway	Y Epps, J	Y Jasperse	Y Pak	Y Tankersley
Y Brooks	Y Evans	Y Jerguson	Y Parent	Taylor, D
Y Bruce	Floyd	Y Johnson	Y Parrish	E Taylor, R
E Bryant	Fludd	Y Jones, J	Y Parsons	Y Taylor, T
Y Buckner	Y Frazier	Y Jones, S	Y Peake	Teasley
Y Burns	Y Fullerton	Jordan	Y Powell, A	Y Thomas
Y Byrd	Y Gardner	Y Kaiser	Y Powell, J	Y Waites
Y Carson	Geisinger	Y Kendrick	Y Pruett	Y Watson
Y Carter	Y Golick	Y Kidd	Y Purcell	Welch
Y Casas	Y Gordon	Y Kirby	Y Ramsey	E Weldon
Y Channell	Y Greene	Y Knight	Y Randall	Y Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Hamilton	Y Lane	Y Reece	Y Wilkinson
Y Clark, J	Y Hanner	Y Lindsey	Y Rice	Y Willard
Y Clark, V	Y Harbin	Long	Y Riley	Y Williams, A
Y Coleman	Y Harden, B	Y Maddox, B	Y Roberts	Y Williams, C
Y Collins	Y Harden, M	Y Maddox, G	Rogers, C	Y Williams, E
Y Cooke	Y Harrell	Y Manning	Y Rogers, T	Y Williams, R
Y Coomer	Y Hatchett	Y Marin	Y Rynders	Williamson
Y Cooper	Y Hatfield	Martin	E Scott, M	Yates
E Crawford	Y Heard	E Maxwell	Y Scott, S	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bills, the ayes were 142, nays 0.

The Bills, having received the requisite constitutional majority, were passed.

Representatives Atwood of the 179th and Welch of the 110th stated that they had been called from the floor of the House during the preceding roll call. They wished to be recorded as voting "aye" thereon.

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Ewing, the Secretary thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed by the requisite constitutional majority the following bills of the Senate and House:

SB 515. By Senator Hooks of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5985), as amended, so as to provide for a date of expiration of office for terms of councilmembers and the mayor; to provide for taking of office and swearing in of newly elected or reelected councilmembers and mayors; to provide for meetings for the establishment of council business; to provide for the administration of the oath of office; to provide for a quorum and presiding officers at meetings; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 760. By Representatives Coleman of the 97th, England of the 108th, Dickson of the 6th, Kaiser of the 59th, Abrams of the 84th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 10 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to capital outlay funds for elementary and secondary education, so as to replace the exceptional growth program with an expansion of the maximum entitlement level for regular capital outlay earnings; to increase requirements relating to the advance funding program; to eliminate requirements for a nonbinding referendum for a school closure; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 842. By Representatives Benfield of the 85th, Abrams of the 84th and Oliver of the 83rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act relating to the Board of Education of the City of Decatur, approved April 13, 2001 (Ga. L. 2001, p. 4351), so as to reconstitute the board of education; to change the descriptions of the education districts; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for the election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 886. By Representatives Williamson of the 111th, Smyre of the 132nd, Carson of the 43rd, Battles of the 15th, Williams of the 113th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 7-1-285 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to limits on obligations of one person or corporation, so as to limit certain obligations related to credit exposure as a counterparty in derivative transactions; to provide for definitions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 1142. By Representatives Brockway of the 101st, Rice of the 51st, Sheldon of the 105th, Thomas of the 100th, Floyd of the 99th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act to create and establish for and in the County of Gwinnett a court to be known as the Recorder's Court of Gwinnett County, approved March 27, 1972 (Ga. L. 1972, p. 3125), as amended by an Act approved March 5, 1987 (Ga. L. 1987, p. 3765), so as to change provisions relating to the clerk's compensation; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate has passed by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bills of the House:

HB 706. By Representatives Dudgeon of the 24th, Coleman of the 97th, England of the 108th, Kaiser of the 59th, Dickson of the 6th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to elementary and secondary education, so as to delete obsolete, unused, and unnecessary provisions; to clarify a provision relating to eligibility for enrollment; to eliminate a deadline for annual performance evaluations; to clarify the legal status of regional educational service agencies; to provide that declarations of intent and attendance records for home study programs are submitted to the Department

of Education rather than local school systems; to revise provisions for purposes of conformity; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 713. By Representatives Nix of the 69th, Davis of the 109th, Carter of the 175th, Coleman of the 97th, Kaiser of the 59th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the "Quality Basic Education Act," so as to delay implementation of some career and college readiness initiatives until the 2013-2014 school year; to require career education in grades kindergarten through 12; to change the mandated assessment for postsecondary readiness to the end of the eleventh grade; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate has agreed to the House substitutes to the following bills of the Senate:

SB 303. By Senator Hooks of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act relating to the Board of Education of Stewart County and providing for the election of the members thereof, approved March 21, 1969 (Ga. L. 1969, p. 2264), as amended, so as to reconstitute the board of education; to change the description of the education districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 304. By Senator Hooks of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act creating the Board of Commissioners of Stewart County, approved April 4, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 4028), as amended, so as to change the description of the commissioner districts; to provide for definitions and inclusions; to provide for continuation in office of current members; to provide for election and terms of office of subsequent members; to provide for submission of this Act for approval under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to provide for effective dates; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 339. By Senators Miller of the 49th, Williams of the 19th, Mullis of the 53rd, Hill of the 32nd, Millar of the 40th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 6 of the O.C.G.A., relating to the Georgia Aviation Authority, so as to provide for the transfer of certain personnel, aircraft, and other assets from the Georgia Aviation Authority to the Department of Natural Resources and the State Forestry Commission; to provide for related matters; to amend Title 12 of the O.C.G.A., relating to conservation and natural resources, so as to transfer certain personnel, assets, and liabilities of the Georgia Aviation Authority to the Department of Natural Resources and the State Forestry Commission; to provide the Department of Natural Resources and the State Forestry Commission with certain authority and duties with regard to aviation; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Senate adheres to its disagreement to the House amendment to the Senate substitute and has appointed a Committee of Conference to confer with a like committee on the part of the House on the following bill of the House:

HB 129. By Representatives McKillip of the 115th, Lindsey of the 54th, Hatfield of the 177th, Evans of the 40th and Willard of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 1 of Chapter 14 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating generally to mortgages, conveyances to secure debt, and liens, so as to prohibit a fee for a future conveyance of real property except under limited circumstances; to provide for a definition; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The President has appointed as a Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate the following Senators: Stone of the 23rd, Grant of the 25th, and Gooch of the 51st.

By unanimous consent, the following Bill of the Senate was read the first time and referred to the Committee:

SB 515. By Senator Hooks of the 14th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Americus, approved April 13, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 5985), as amended, so as to provide for a date of expiration of office for terms of councilmembers and the mayor; to provide for taking of office and swearing in of newly elected or reelected councilmembers and mayors; to provide for meetings for the establishment of council business; to provide for the administration of the oath of office; to provide for a quorum and presiding officers at meetings; to provide for applicability; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local.

Representative Howard of the 121st moved that the House reconsider its action in failing to give the requisite constitutional majority to the following Bill of the House:

HB 1235. By Representatives Murphy of the 120th, Howard of the 121st, Smith of the 122nd and Frazier of the 123rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the consolidated government of Augusta-Richmond County, approved March 27, 1995 (Ga. L. 1995, p. 3648), as amended, so as to provide that certain departments, agencies, and authorities of the consolidated government and certain private entities which contract with the consolidated government for the provision of government services shall have periodic forensic accounting audits; to provide for sanctions for failure to do so; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

On the motion, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

E Abdul-Salaam	N Davis	Heckstall	Y Mayo	Setzler
Y Abrams	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Hembree	Y McBrayer	Y Shaw
Y Allison	Y Dempsey	E Henson	N McCall	Y Sheldon
Y Amerson	Y Dickerson	Y Hightower	Y McKillip	N Sims, B
Y Anderson	Y Dickey	Y Hill	Y Meadows	Sims, C
Y Ashe	Y Dickson	Y Holcomb	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, E
Atwood	Y Dobbs	Y Holmes	Y Morgan	Y Smith, K
E Baker	Dollar	Y Holt	Morris	Y Smith, L
Y Battles	Y Drenner	Y Horne	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dudgeon	Y Houston	Y Murphy	E Smith, T
Y Bell	Y Dukes	Y Howard	Y Neal, J	Y Smyre
Y Benfield	Y Dunahoo	Y Hudson	Neal, Y	Y Spencer
Y Benton	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, M
Y Beverly	Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Nix	Y Stephens, R
Y Black	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Oliver	Stephenson
Y Braddock	Y Epps, C	Y James	Y O'Neal	Y Talton
Y Brockway	Y Epps, J	Y Jasperse	Y Pak	Y Tankersley
Y Brooks	Y Evans	Y Jerguson	Y Parent	Taylor, D
Y Bruce	Floyd	Y Johnson	Y Parrish	E Taylor, R
E Bryant	Fludd	Y Jones, J	Y Parsons	Y Taylor, T
Y Buckner	Frazier	Y Jones, S	Y Peake	Teasley
Y Burns	Y Fullerton	Jordan	Y Powell, A	Y Thomas
Y Byrd	Y Gardner	Y Kaiser	Y Powell, J	Y Waites
Y Carson	Geisinger	Y Kendrick	Y Pruett	Y Watson
Y Carter	Y Golick	Y Kidd	Y Purcell	N Welch
Y Casas	Y Gordon	Y Kirby	Y Ramsey	E Weldon
Y Channell	Greene	Y Knight	Y Randall	Y Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Hamilton	Y Lane	Y Reece	Y Wilkinson
Y Clark, J	Y Hanner	Y Lindsey	Y Rice	N Willard
Y Clark, V	N Harbin	Long	Y Riley	Y Williams, A
Y Coleman	Y Harden, B	Y Maddox, B	Y Roberts	Y Williams, C

Y Collins	Y Harden, M	Y Maddox, G	Y Rogers, C	Y Williams, E
Y Cooke	Y Harrell	Y Manning	Y Rogers, T	Y Williams, R
Y Coomer	Y Hatchett	Y Marin	Y Rynders	Williamson
Y Cooper	Y Hatfield	Y Martin	E Scott, M	Yates
E Crawford	Y Heard	E Maxwell	Y Scott, S	Ralston, Speaker

On the motion, the ayes were 141, nays 6.

The motion prevailed.

By unanimous consent, the following Bill of the House, having previously been read, was again taken up for consideration:

HB 1235. By Representatives Murphy of the 120th, Howard of the 121st, Smith of the 122nd and Frazier of the 123rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for the consolidated government of Augusta-Richmond County, approved March 27, 1995 (Ga. L. 1995, p. 3648), as amended, so as to provide that certain departments, agencies, and authorities of the consolidated government and certain private entities which contract with the consolidated government for the provision of government services shall have periodic forensic accounting audits; to provide for sanctions for failure to do so; to provide a short title; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The Committee substitute, having previously been read and adopted, was again taken up for consideration.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

E Abdul-Salaam	N Davis	Heckstall	Y Mayo	Setzler
Y Abrams	E Dawkins-Haigler	N Hembree	N McBrayer	N Shaw
N Allison	N Dempsey	E Henson	N McCall	N Sheldon
N Amerson	Y Dickerson	N Hightower	N McKillip	N Sims, B
N Anderson	N Dickey	N Hill	N Meadows	Sims, C
Y Ashe	N Dickson	Y Holcomb	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, E
Atwood	Y Dobbs	N Holmes	Y Morgan	N Smith, K
E Baker	Dollar	N Holt	N Morris	N Smith, L
N Battles	Y Drenner	N Horne	Y Mosby	N Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	N Dudgeon	N Houston	Y Murphy	E Smith, T
Y Bell	Dukes	Y Howard	N Neal, J	Y Smyre
Y Benfield	N Dunahoo	Hudson	Neal, Y	N Spencer
N Benton	N Dutton	Y Hugley	N Nimmer	Y Stephens, M

Y Beverly	Ehrhart	Y Jackson	N Nix	Y Stephens, R
N Black	N England	N Jacobs	Y Oliver	Stephenson
N Braddock	Y Epps, C	Y James	Y O'Neal	N Talton
N Brockway	N Epps, J	N Jasperse	N Pak	N Tankersley
Y Brooks	Y Evans	N Jerguson	Y Parent	N Taylor, D
Y Bruce	Floyd	Y Johnson	Y Parrish	E Taylor, R
E Bryant	Y Fludd	N Jones, J	N Parsons	N Taylor, T
Y Buckner	Y Frazier	Y Jones, S	N Peake	Teasley
N Burns	Y Fullerton	Jordan	Y Powell, A	Y Thomas
N Byrd	Y Gardner	Y Kaiser	Y Powell, J	Y Waites
N Carson	N Geisinger	Y Kendrick	N Pruett	N Watson
N Carter	Golick	Kidd	N Purcell	N Welch
Casas	Y Gordon	N Kirby	N Ramsey	E Weldon
N Channell	Greene	N Knight	Y Randall	Y Wilkerson
N Cheokas	N Hamilton	N Lane	Y Reece	N Wilkinson
N Clark, J	N Hanner	Y Lindsey	N Rice	N Willard
N Clark, V	N Harbin	Long	N Riley	Y Williams, A
N Coleman	N Harden, B	N Maddox, B	N Roberts	N Williams, C
N Collins	N Harden, M	N Maddox, G	N Rogers, C	Y Williams, E
N Cooke	N Harrell	N Manning	N Rogers, T	N Williams, R
N Coomer	N Hatchett	Y Marin	N Rynders	Williamson
N Cooper	Y Hatfield	N Martin	E Scott, M	Yates
E Crawford	Y Heard	E Maxwell	Y Scott, S	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 54, nays 93.

The Bill, having failed to receive the requisite constitutional majority, was lost.

Pursuant to HR 1746, the House commended the Gatewood School girls basketball team on their 2012 GISA Class AA State Championship and invited them to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

The following members were recognized during the period of Morning Orders and addressed the House:

Representatives England of the 108th, Coleman of the 97th, Holcomb of the 82nd, Gardner of the 57th, Mayo of the 91st, and Purcell of the 159th.

The Speaker Pro Tem assumed the Chair.

Pursuant to HR 1525, the House recognized and commended the Chattahoochee District on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2011 District of the Year and invited them to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

Pursuant to HR 1526, the House recognized and commended the Decatur County Forestry Unit on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2011 Southern Unit of the Year and invited them to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

Pursuant to HR 1527, the House recognized and commended the Coweta-Fayette-South Fulton County Forestry Unit, known as "Coweta Forestry Unit" on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2011 Northern Unit of the Year and invited them to appear before the House of Representatives.

Pursuant to HR 1848, the House commended the Milton High School boys basketball team on winning the 2012 Class AAAAA State Championship and invited them to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

Pursuant to HR 1828, the House commended the State YMCA of Georgia's Youth Assembly and invited Executive Director Randall Trammel, Chairman of the Board Scott Maxwell, Youth Governor Elizabeth Holland, Lt. Governor Nicole Futch, and Speaker of the House Jay Jones to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

The following Resolution of the House was read and referred to the Committee on Rules:

HR 1848. By Representatives Martin of the 47th, Jones of the 46th and Riley of the 50th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Milton High School boys basketball team on winning the 2012 Class AAAAA State Championship and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

The following Resolution of the House, referred to the House Rules Subcommittee on Invites, was reported by the Committee on Rules with the following recommendation:

HR 1848 Do Pass

The following Resolutions of the House, favorably reported by the Committee on Rules, were read and adopted:

HR 1525. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Horne of the 71st, Smith of the 129th, Nix of the 69th, Cooke of the 18th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Chattahoochee District on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2011 District of the Year and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 1526. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Taylor of the 173rd, Maddox of the 172nd, Powell of the 171st, Purcell of the 159th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Decatur County Forestry Unit on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2011 Southern Unit of the Year and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 1527. By Representatives Smith of the 70th, Horne of the 71st, Ramsey of the 72nd, Bruce of the 64th, Long of the 61st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Coweta-Fayette-South Fulton County Forestry Unit, known as "Coweta Forestry Unit" on being named the Georgia Forestry Commission 2011 Northern Unit of the Year and inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 1746. By Representatives Channell of the 116th, Kidd of the 141st and Hudson of the 124th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Gatewood School girls basketball team on their 2012 GISA Class AA State Championship and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 1828. By Representative Harden of the 147th:

A RESOLUTION commending the State YMCA of Georgia's Youth Assembly and inviting Executive Director Randall Trammel, Chairman of the Board Scott Maxwell, Youth Governor Elizabeth Holland, Lt. Governor Nicole Futch, and Speaker of the House Jay Jones to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 1830. By Representatives Parent of the 81st, Jacobs of the 80th, Abrams of the 84th, Henson of the 87th, Brooks of the 63rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the month of April, 2012, as Genocide Prevention and Awareness Month at the capitol and inviting the Georgia Coalition to Prevent Genocide to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 1848. By Representatives Martin of the 47th, Jones of the 46th and Riley of the 50th:

A RESOLUTION commending the Milton High School boys basketball team on winning the 2012 Class AAAAA State Championship and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

By order of the Committee on Rules, the following Bill of the House was withdrawn from the General Calendar and recommitted to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local:

HB 398. By Representatives Fludd of the 66th, Bruce of the 64th, Jones of the 44th and Taylor of the 55th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing in Fulton County a system for pension and retirement pay to teachers and employees of the Board of Education of Fulton County, approved February 2, 1945 (Ga. L. 1945, p. 528), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 19, 2009 (Ga. L. 2009, p. 4004), so as to correct certain typographical errors; to amend certain provisions so as to comply with the federal Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 and the federal Heroes Earnings Assistance and Relief Tax Act of 2008; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Under the general order of business, established by the Committee on Rules, the following Bills and Resolution of the Senate were taken up for consideration and read the third time:

SB 390. By Senator Bulloch of the 11th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 11 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the certification of seeds and plants, so as to provide immunity from civil liability for the agency designated to provide for seed certification; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The following Committee substitute was read and adopted:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

To amend Chapter 11 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to seeds and plants, so as to provide immunity from civil liability for the agency designated to provide for seed certification; to revise provisions relating to claims filed with the Seed Arbitration Council for damages relating to seed or tree nonconformity or nonperformance; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 11 of Title 2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to seeds and plants, is amended by revising Code Section 2-11-52, relating to the designation of an agency for certification of seeds and plants and to liability for damages resulting from certification work, as follows:

"2-11-52.

In order to execute the policy stated in Code Section 2-11-50, the dean of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of the University of Georgia is authorized to provide for seed, plant, and variety certification and labeling. The dean shall designate ~~the Georgia Crop Improvement Association, Inc., as a~~ certifying agency, provided that ~~the Georgia Crop Improvement Association, Inc.,~~ such designee must be in good standing with the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies. The College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences of the University of Georgia shall not be held responsible for any claim, debt, obligation, or damage of any kind to any person in conducting certification work or in the work of the certifying agent. The certifying agency so designated by the dean shall, along with its employees, be immune from liability to the same extent as the state and state officers and employees under Article 2 of Chapter 21 of Title 50, 'The Georgia Tort Claims Act.'"

SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 2-11-73, relating to the filing of complaints with the Seed Arbitration Council, by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) When any farmer or seed purchaser alleges to have been damaged by the failure of any agricultural, flower, tree, shrub, or vegetable seed, except for vegetable and flower seed in packets weighing less than one pound for use in home gardens or household plantings, to conform to or perform as represented by the label required to be attached to such seed under Code Section 2-11-22 or by warranty or as a result of negligence, as a prerequisite to the purchaser's right to maintain a legal action against the seller, the purchaser shall submit a complaint against the seller alleging the damages sustained or to be sustained and shall file such complaint with the Commissioner ~~within ten days after the alleged defect or violation becomes apparent to allow inspection of the alleged deficiencies if deemed necessary~~ in time for the seed, crop, or plants to be inspected to determine if the alleged deficiencies warrant arbitration. Whenever any farmer or commercial fruit or nut tree purchaser alleges to have been damaged by the failure of any commercial fruit or nut tree to be the variety represented by the label or invoice or by warranty or as the result of negligence, as a prerequisite to the purchaser's right to maintain a legal action against the seller, the purchaser shall submit a complaint against the seller alleging the damages sustained or to be sustained and shall file such complaint with the Commissioner ~~within ten days after the alleged defect or violation becomes apparent to allow inspection of the alleged deficiencies if deemed necessary~~ in time for the trees to be inspected to determine if the alleged deficiencies warrant arbitration. Upon receipt, the Commissioner shall send a copy of the complaint to the seller by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery."

SECTION 3.

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, by substitute, was agreed to.

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

Y Abdul-Salaam	Y Davis	Y Heckstall	Y Mayo	Y Setzler
E Abrams	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Hembree	Y McBrayer	Y Shaw
Y Allison	Y Dempsey	Y Henson	Y McCall	Y Sheldon
Y Amerson	Y Dickerson	Y Hightower	Y McKillip	Y Sims, B
Y Anderson	Y Dickey	Y Hill	Meadows	Sims, C
Y Ashe	Y Dickson	Y Holcomb	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, E
Y Atwood	Y Dobbs	Y Holmes	Y Morgan	Smith, K
E Baker	Y Dollar	Y Holt	Y Morris	Y Smith, L
Y Battles	Y Drenner	Y Horne	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dudgeon	Houston	Y Murphy	E Smith, T
Y Bell	Y Dukes	Y Howard	Y Neal, J	Y Smyre
Y Benfield	Y Dunahoo	Y Hudson	Y Neal, Y	Y Spencer
Y Benton	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, M
Y Beverly	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Nix	Y Stephens, R
Y Black	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Oliver	Y Stephenson
Y Braddock	Y Epps, C	Y James	O'Neal	Y Talton
Y Brockway	Y Epps, J	Y Jasperse	Y Pak	Y Tankersley
Y Brooks	Y Evans	Jerguson	Y Parent	Y Taylor, D
Y Bruce	E Floyd	Y Johnson	Y Parrish	Y Taylor, R
E Bryant	Fludd	Jones, J	Y Parsons	Y Taylor, T
Y Buckner	Y Frazier	Y Jones, S	Y Peake	Y Teasley
Y Burns	Y Fullerton	Y Jordan	Y Powell, A	Y Thomas
Y Byrd	Y Gardner	Y Kaiser	Y Powell, J	Y Waites
Y Carson	E Geisinger	Y Kendrick	Y Pruett	Y Watson
Y Carter	Y Golick	Y Kidd	Y Purcell	Y Welch
Casas	Y Gordon	Y Kirby	Ramsey	E Weldon
E Channell	Y Greene	Y Knight	Y Randall	Y Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Hamilton	Lane	Y Reece	Y Wilkinson
Y Clark, J	Y Hanner	Y Lindsey	Rice	Y Willard
Y Clark, V	Y Harbin	Y Long	Y Riley	Y Williams, A
Y Coleman	Y Harden, B	Y Maddox, B	Y Roberts	Y Williams, C
Y Collins	Y Harden, M	Y Maddox, G	Y Rogers, C	Y Williams, E
Y Cooke	Y Harrell	Y Manning	Y Rogers, T	Y Williams, R
Y Coomer	Y Hatchett	Y Marin	Y Rynders	Y Williamson
Y Cooper	Y Hatfield	Y Martin	E Scott, M	Y Yates
E Crawford	Y Heard	E Maxwell	Y Scott, S	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 154, nays 0.

The Bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed, by substitute.

Representative Houston of the 170th stated that she had been called from the floor of the House during the preceding roll call. She wished to be recorded as voting "aye" thereon.

SB 358. By Senators Bulloch of the 11th, Rogers of the 21st, Williams of the 19th, Hill of the 4th, Golden of the 8th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 50-5-60 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to preference to supplies, equipment, materials, and agricultural products produced in Georgia, so as to require this state to reciprocate the preferences granted by out-of-state local governments for vendors within their own states when giving preference to resident vendors of this state; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the passage of the Bill, was agreed to.

On the passage of the Bill, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

Y Abdul-Salaam	Y Davis	Y Heckstall	Y Mayo	Y Setzler
E Abrams	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Hembree	Y McBrayer	Y Shaw
Y Allison	Y Dempsey	Y Henson	Y McCall	Y Sheldon
Y Amerson	Y Dickerson	Y Hightower	Y McKillip	Y Sims, B
Y Anderson	Y Dickey	Y Hill	Y Meadows	Sims, C
Y Ashe	Y Dickson	Y Holcomb	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, E
Y Atwood	Y Dobbs	Y Holmes	Y Morgan	Y Smith, K
E Baker	Y Dollar	Y Holt	Y Morris	Y Smith, L
Y Battles	Y Drenner	Y Horne	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dudgeon	Y Houston	Y Murphy	E Smith, T
Y Bell	Y Dukes	Y Howard	Y Neal, J	Y Smyre
Y Benfield	Y Dunahoo	Y Hudson	Y Neal, Y	Y Spencer
Y Benton	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Nimmer	Stephens, M
Y Beverly	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Nix	Y Stephens, R
Y Black	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Oliver	Y Stephenson
Y Braddock	Y Epps, C	Y James	Y O'Neal	Y Talton
Y Brockway	Y Epps, J	Y Jasperse	Y Pak	Y Tankersley
Y Brooks	Y Evans	Jerguson	Y Parent	Y Taylor, D
Y Bruce	E Floyd	Y Johnson	Y Parrish	Y Taylor, R
E Bryant	Y Fludd	Jones, J	Y Parsons	Y Taylor, T
Y Buckner	Y Frazier	Y Jones, S	Y Peake	Y Teasley
Y Burns	Y Fullerton	Y Jordan	Y Powell, A	Y Thomas
Y Byrd	Y Gardner	Y Kaiser	Y Powell, J	Y Waites
Y Carson	E Geisinger	Y Kendrick	Y Pruett	Y Watson
Y Carter	Y Golick	Y Kidd	Y Purcell	Y Welch
Y Casas	Y Gordon	Y Kirby	Ramsey	E Weldon
E Channell	Y Greene	Y Knight	Y Randall	Y Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Hamilton	Y Lane	Y Reece	Y Wilkinson
Y Clark, J	Hanner	Y Lindsey	Rice	Y Willard
Y Clark, V	Y Harbin	Y Long	Y Riley	Y Williams, A
Y Coleman	Y Harden, B	Y Maddox, B	Y Roberts	Y Williams, C

Y Collins	Y Harden, M	Y Maddox, G	Y Rogers, C	Y Williams, E
Y Cooke	Y Harrell	Y Manning	Y Rogers, T	Williams, R
Y Coomer	Y Hatchett	Y Marin	Y Rynders	Y Williamson
Y Cooper	Y Hatfield	Y Martin	E Scott, M	Y Yates
E Crawford	Y Heard	E Maxwell	Y Scott, S	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 157, nays 0.

The Bill, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was passed.

Representative Stephens of the 161st stated that he had been called from the floor of the House during the preceding roll call. He wished to be recorded as voting "aye" thereon.

SR 765. By Senators Carter of the 1st, Grant of the 25th, Jeffares of the 17th and Williams of the 19th:

A RESOLUTION authorizing the change of use of certain properties located in Bryan and Butts counties currently dedicated as a heritage preserve; authorizing the granting of nonexclusive easements for the construction, operation, and maintenance of facilities, utilities, and ingress and egress in, on, over, upon, across, or through certain state owned real property located in Bryan, Butts, and Liberty counties; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

The report of the Committee, which was favorable to the adoption of the Resolution, was agreed to.

On the adoption of the Resolution, the roll call was ordered and the vote was as follows:

Y Abdul-Salaam	Y Davis	Y Heckstall	Y Mayo	Y Setzler
E Abrams	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Hembree	Y McBrayer	Y Shaw
Y Allison	Y Dempsey	Y Henson	Y McCall	Y Sheldon
Y Amerson	Y Dickerson	Y Hightower	Y McKillip	Y Sims, B
Y Anderson	Y Dickey	Y Hill	Y Meadows	Y Sims, C
Y Ashe	Y Dickson	Y Holcomb	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, E
Y Atwood	Y Dobbs	Y Holmes	Y Morgan	Y Smith, K
E Baker	Y Dollar	Y Holt	Y Morris	Y Smith, L
Y Battles	Y Drenner	Y Horne	Y Mosby	Y Smith, R
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dudgeon	Y Houston	Y Murphy	E Smith, T
Y Bell	Y Dukes	Y Howard	Y Neal, J	Y Smyre
Y Benfield	Y Dunahoo	Y Hudson	Y Neal, Y	Y Spencer
Y Benton	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, M
Y Beverly	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Nix	Y Stephens, R
Y Black	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Oliver	Y Stephenson
Y Braddock	Y Epps, C	Y James	Y O'Neal	Y Talton
Y Brockway	Y Epps, J	Y Jasperse	Y Pak	Y Tankersley

Y Brooks	Y Evans	Y Jerguson	Y Parent	Y Taylor, D
Y Bruce	E Floyd	Y Johnson	Y Parrish	Y Taylor, R
E Bryant	Fludd	Jones, J	Y Parsons	Y Taylor, T
Y Buckner	Y Frazier	Y Jones, S	Y Peake	Y Teasley
Y Burns	Y Fullerton	Y Jordan	Y Powell, A	Y Thomas
Y Byrd	Y Gardner	Y Kaiser	Y Powell, J	Y Waites
Y Carson	E Geisinger	Y Kendrick	Y Pruett	Y Watson
Y Carter	Y Golick	Y Kidd	Y Purcell	Y Welch
Y Casas	Y Gordon	Y Kirby	Ramsey	E Weldon
E Channell	Y Greene	Y Knight	Y Randall	Y Wilkerson
Y Cheokas	Y Hamilton	Y Lane	Y Reece	Y Wilkinson
Clark, J	Y Hanner	Y Lindsey	Rice	Y Willard
Y Clark, V	Y Harbin	Y Long	Y Riley	Y Williams, A
Y Coleman	Y Harden, B	Y Maddox, B	Y Roberts	Y Williams, C
Y Collins	Y Harden, M	Y Maddox, G	Y Rogers, C	Y Williams, E
Y Cooke	Y Harrell	Manning	Y Rogers, T	Y Williams, R
Y Coomer	Y Hatchett	Y Marin	Y Rynders	Y Williamson
Y Cooper	Y Hatfield	Y Martin	E Scott, M	Y Yates
E Crawford	Y Heard	E Maxwell	Y Scott, S	Ralston, Speaker

On the adoption of the Resolution, the ayes were 160, nays 0.

The Resolution, having received the requisite constitutional majority, was adopted.

Representative Golick of the 34th District, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil has had under consideration the following Bills of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

SB 225	Do Pass, by Substitute	SB 352	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 370	Do Pass, by Substitute	SB 441	Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Golick of the 34th
Chairman

The following Resolution of the House was read and referred to the Committee on Rules:

HR 1850. By Representatives Hembree of the 67th, Lindsey of the 54th, Jones of the 46th, England of the 108th, Meadows of the 5th and others:

A RESOLUTION congratulating Deana Lynn Mosher upon the occasion of her forthcoming retirement and inviting her to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 1851. By Representatives Holt of the 112th and Williams of the 113th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Pastor W.J. Reid on the occasion of his retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1852. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Woodfield Academy and Mrs. Susan Jukes; and for other purposes.

HR 1853. By Representative Bruce of the 64th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ms. Cynthia Williams; and for other purposes.

HR 1854. By Representatives Yates of the 73rd, Collins of the 27th, Black of the 174th, Holcomb of the 82nd, Hatchett of the 143rd and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing September, 2012, as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month at the capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1855. By Representatives Kaiser of the 59th, Neal of the 75th, Talton of the 145th, Purcell of the 159th, Williams of the 89th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Officer Mark Edge; and for other purposes.

HR 1856. By Representatives Kaiser of the 59th, Neal of the 75th, Talton of the 145th, Purcell of the 159th, Abrams of the 84th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Officer Jeff Rodgers; and for other purposes.

HR 1857. By Representatives Ashe of the 56th and Kaiser of the 59th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Dr. Abayomi "Yomi" Noibi; and for other purposes.

HR 1858. By Representatives Ashe of the 56th, Gardner of the 57th, Kaiser of the 59th and Bell of the 58th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the Center for Black Women's Wellness, Inc.; and for other purposes.

HR 1859. By Representatives Ashe of the 56th, Kaiser of the 59th, Oliver of the 83rd, Gardner of the 57th, Abrams of the 84th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Ms. Cathy Willis Spraez on the occasion of her retirement; and for other purposes.

HR 1860. By Representatives Coleman of the 97th, Casas of the 103rd, Dickson of the 6th, Jasperse of the 12th, Williams of the 4th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing the first week of October, 2012, as Georgia Pre-K Week at the capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 1861. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Leigh Childs, James H. Porter Elementary School's 2012 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1862. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mr. Phillip Knight, Wilkinson County High School's 2012 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1863. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Jennifer Kemp, Heard Elementary School's 2012 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1864. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Troy Chitty II, Jones County High School's 2012 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1865. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Ashleigh Jackson, Wilkinson County High School's 2012 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

HR 1866. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Terri Montgomery, Wilkinson County Primary School's 2012 Teacher of the Year; and for other purposes.

HR 1867. By Representative Epps of the 140th:

A RESOLUTION commending Cheryl Scamihorn, Jones County High School's 2012 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1868. By Representatives Tankersley of the 158th, Burns of the 157th and Parrish of the 156th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mr. Bruce Yawn upon the occasion of his retirement and the closing of Snooky's Restaurant; and for other purposes.

HR 1869. By Representatives Tankersley of the 158th, Shaw of the 176th, Burns of the 157th and Parrish of the 156th:

A RESOLUTION commending Mrs. Sandy Kent, Trinity Christian School's 2012 STAR Teacher; and for other purposes.

HR 1870. By Representatives Bell of the 58th, Shaw of the 176th, Burns of the 157th and Parrish of the 156th:

A RESOLUTION commending Anne Tanner Murray, Trinity Christian School's 2012 STAR Student; and for other purposes.

Representative Coleman of the 97th District, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Education has had under consideration the following Bill of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

SB 227 Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Coleman of the 97th
Chairman

Representative Golick of the 34th District, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary Non-Civil has had under consideration the following Bills and Resolution of the House and Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HR 1731	Do Pass	SB 321	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 350	Do Pass, by Substitute	SB 366	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 458	Do Pass, by Substitute		

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Golick of the 34th
Chairman

Representative Lane of the 167th District, Chairman of the Committee on Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment has had under consideration the following Bills of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

SB 382	Do Pass
SB 430	Do Pass

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Lane of the 167th
Chairman

Representative Smith of the 70th District, Chairman of the Committee on Natural Resources and Environment, submitted the following report:

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Natural Resources and Environment has had under consideration the following Bill of the Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendation:

SB 427	Do Pass, by Substitute
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Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Smith of the 70th
Chairman

The following message was received from the Senate through Mr. Ewing, the Secretary thereof:

Mr. Speaker:

The Senate has passed by substitute, by the requisite constitutional majority, the following bill of the House:

HB 868. By Representatives Collins of the 27th, Carter of the 175th, Atwood of the 179th, Hatchett of the 143rd, Clark of the 98th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 7 of Title 48 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to imposition, computation, and exemptions from state income tax, so as to provide for the comprehensive revision of income tax credits for business enterprises located in less developed areas, designated by tiers, for business enterprises located in less developed areas consisting of contiguous census tracts, for existing manufacturing and telecommunications facilities located in certain tier counties, and for establishing new quality jobs or relocating quality jobs; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Representative Lindsey of the 54th moved that the House stand in recess until 5:00 o'clock, P.M., at which time the House will stand adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning.

The Speaker Pro Tem announced the House in recess until 5:00 o'clock, P.M., at which time the House will stand adjourned until 10:00 o'clock, tomorrow morning.