

**Representative Hall, Atlanta, Georgia****Monday, February 25, 2013****Twenty-Third Legislative Day**

The House met pursuant to adjournment at 1:00 o'clock, P.M., this day and was called to order by the Speaker.

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

Abrams	Coomer	Gregory	E McCall	Sims, C
Alexander	Cooper	Hamilton	Meadows	Smith, E
Allison	E Dawkins-Haigler	Harbin	Mitchell	Smith, L
Anderson	Deffenbaugh	Harden	Morgan	Smith, M
Atwood	Dempsey	Harrell	Morris	Smith, R
Ballinger	E Dickerson	Hatchett	E Mosby	E Smyre
Barr	Dickey	Hawkins	Murphy	Spencer
Battles	Dickson	E Henson	Neal	Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Dollar	Hightower	Nimmer	Stephens, R
Bell	Douglas	Hill	Nix	E Stephenson
E Bennett	Drenner	Hitchens	O'Neal	Stovall
Bentley	E Dudgeon	Holcomb	Pak	Strickland
Benton	Dukes	Holmes	Parrish	Talton
Beverly	Dunahoo	Holt	Parsons	Tankersley
Black	Duncan	Houston	Peake	Tanner
Braddock	Dutton	Hugley	Pezold	Taylor, D
Broadrick	Ehrhart	Jackson	Powell, A	Taylor, T
Brockway	England	Jacobs	Powell, J	Teasley
Brooks	Epps, C	Jaspense	Pruett	Thomas, A.M.
Bruce	Epps, J	Jones, J	Quick	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Evans	Jones, L	Ramsey	Turner
Buckner	Fleming	E Jones, S	Randall	Waites
Burns	Floyd	Jordan	Rice	Watson, B
Caldwell, J	Fludd	Kaiser	Riley	Watson, S
Caldwell, M	Frazier	Kelley	Roberts	Welch
Carson	Frye	E Kendrick	Rogers, C	Weldon
Carter	Fullerton	Kidd	Rogers, T	Wilkerson
Casas	Gardner	Kirby	Rutledge	Wilkinson
Chandler	Gasaway	Knight	Rynders	Willard
Channell	Geisinger	Lindsey	Scott	Williams, A
Chapman	Glanton	Lumsden	Setzler	Williams, C
Cheokas	Golick	Mabra	Sharper	Williams, E
Clark, J	Gordon	Marin	Shaw	Williamson
Clark, V	Gravley	Martin	Sheldon	Yates
Coleman	Greene	Maxwell	Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker
Cooke				

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

Representatives Howard of the 124th, Mayo of the 84th, and Oliver of the 82nd.

They wished to be recorded as present.

Prayer was offered by Reverend Marcus Jackson, Pastor, World Overcomers Christian Outreach, Lithonia, Georgia.

The members pledged allegiance to the flag.

Representative Sims of the 123rd, 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.

The following communication was received:

House of Representatives  
401 State Capitol  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

February 25, 2013

Robbie Rivers, Clerk of the House  
Georgia House of Representatives  
309 State Capitol  
Atlanta GA 30334

Dear Mr. Rivers,

On Friday, February 22, 2013 I was out sick with a virus or flu and had my assistant call to have my machine locked. It appears as though this may have been overlooked and would appreciate your amending the record to show my absence as excused.

Your consideration is appreciated.

Yours in service,

/s/ Chuck Sims 169th  
Chuck Sims

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

HB 18. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Part 3 of Article 6 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to educational programs in elementary and secondary education, so as to enact the "Blind Persons' Braille Literacy Rights and Education Act"; to provide definitions; to require an evaluation of a blind or visually impaired child to determine such child's need for Braille instruction; to require Braille instruction in the individualized education program of a blind or visually impaired student; to provide requirements for textbook publishers relating to electronic materials; to provide license requirements relating to Braille for certain teachers; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

HB 20. By Representatives Waites of the 60th and Scott of the 76th:

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 the imposition, rate, and computation of income tax, so as to provide for a state income tax credit with respect to certain volunteer firefighters; to provide for conditions and limitations; to provide for powers, duties, and authority of the state revenue commissioner with respect to the foregoing; to provide an effective date; to provide for applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

HB 454. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Lindsey of the 54th and Abrams of the 89th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 45-12-75 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the contents and form of the budget report, so as to require certain items to be included in the tax expenditure review; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Budget and Fiscal Affairs Oversight.

HB 455. By Representatives Martin of the 49th and Abrams of the 89th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 36-44-3 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to definitions relative to the "Redevelopment Powers Law," so as to add to the definition of the term "redevelopment costs"; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

HB 456. By Representatives Bell of the 58th, Oliver of the 82nd, Abrams of the 89th, Hugley of the 136th, Fludd of the 64th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 2A of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to student scholarship organizations, so as to prohibit discrimination by any qualified school or program or student scholarship organization; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

HB 457. By Representatives Braddock of the 19th, Maxwell of the 17th, Alexander of the 66th and Gravley of the 67th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act incorporating the City of Hiram, approved February 27, 1956 (Ga. L. 1956, p. 2620), as amended, so as to provide for reincorporation, corporate boundaries, municipal powers, and exercise of powers; to provide for a government structure of such city including creation, number, and election of a mayor and the city council; to provide for definitions and construction; to provide for submission of this Act under the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; 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 458. By Representatives Atwood of the 179th, Williams of the 119th, Smith of the 134th, Weldon of the 3rd, Peake of the 141st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 44-3-94 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to damage or destruction of units, restoration, vote not to restore, and allocation of insurance deductible, so as to change the maximum allowable casualty insurance deductible imposed by condominium associations; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Insurance.

HB 459. By Representatives Hitchens of the 161st, Hawkins of the 27th, Lumsden of the 12th, Tanner of the 9th, Burns of the 159th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 9 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to speed restrictions, so as to modify provisions relating to impeding traffic flow and minimum speed in left-hand lanes; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

HB 460. By Representatives Weldon of the 3rd, Battles of the 15th, Benton of the 31st, Black of the 174th and Riley of the 50th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 7 of Title 47 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Georgia Firefighters' Pension Fund, so as to provide that no person under a sentence of confinement shall be eligible for membership in such retirement fund; to provide that a member of such fund shall not accrue creditable service while under a sentence of confinement; to provide conditions for an effective date and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Retirement.

HB 461. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Channell of the 120th, Parrish of the 158th and Cooper of the 43rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 4 of Title 49 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to medical assistance generally, so as to provide for a single administrator for dental services for Medicaid recipients and PeachCare for Kids participants; to require the Department of Community Health to competitively bid out and contract with such single administrator; to provide for requirements for the single administrator; to provide for applicability; to provide for an amendment to the state plan if necessary; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Health & Human Services.

HB 462. By Representative Martin of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 27-5-5 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to wild animals for which a license or permit is required, so as to provide that certain hybrid offspring of Asian leopard cats and domestic cats which are at least four generations from the Asian leopard cat shall not be a wild animal for which a permit is required; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Game, Fish, & Parks.

HB 463. By Representatives Rice of the 95th, Powell of the 32nd, Greene of the 151st and Yates of the 73rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 7 of Chapter 2 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to motor vehicle license fees and classes, so as change the registration rates under the International Registration Plan for apportioned vehicles; to provide for the local ad valorem taxes on such vehicles to be included in the registration payment; to provide for distribution to local governing authorities; to provide for procedures, conditions, and limitations; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

HB 464. By Representatives Strickland of the 111th, Welch of the 110th, Teasley of the 37th, Dickey of the 140th and Rutledge of the 109th:

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 to general provisions

regarding mortgages, conveyances to secure debt, and liens, so as to provide that a deed to secure debt which conveys as security for a loan or obligation one or more lots in a residential development that is subject to covenants and a property owners' association and which covenants are properly filed and recorded shall be subject to and subordinate to such covenants; to provide for related matters; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HB 465. By Representatives Martin of the 49th, Morris of the 156th, Williamson of the 115th and Kelley of the 16th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Title 18 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to debtor and creditor, so as to repeal Chapter 5, relating to debt adjustment; to enact a new Chapter 5, relating to debt management services; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

HB 475. By Representatives Pak of the 108th, Ramsey of the 72nd, Rice of the 95th, Stephens of the 164th, Powell of the 32nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to drivers' licenses, so as to authorize the commissioner of driver services to enter into reciprocal agreements on behalf of Georgia for the recognition of drivers' licenses issued by foreign territories; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Motor Vehicles.

HR 485. By Representatives Dickey of the 140th, Peake of the 141st and Holmes of the 129th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life of Leanna Nicole Craft and dedicating an intersection in her memory; 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 431	HB 432
HB 433	HB 434
HB 435	HB 436
HB 437	HB 438
HB 439	HB 440
HB 441	HB 442
HB 443	HB 444
HB 445	HB 446
HB 447	HB 448
HB 449	HB 450
HB 451	HB 452
HB 453	HR 450
HR 451	SB 12
SB 104	SR 113

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 has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HB 364	Do Pass	HB 376	Do Pass
HB 383	Do Pass	HB 410	Do Pass
HB 414	Do Pass	HB 415	Do Pass
HB 416	Do Pass	HB 417	Do Pass

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

Representative Golick of the 40th 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 House and Senate and has instructed me to report the same back to the House with the following recommendations:

HB 156	Do Pass, by Substitute
HB 302	Do Pass, by Substitute
SB 86	Do Pass, by Substitute

Respectfully submitted,  
/s/ Golick of the 40th  
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 43	Do Pass	HR 233	Do Pass
HR 393	Do Pass	HR 394	Do Pass
HR 395	Do Pass	HR 416	Do Pass
HR 417	Do Pass		

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

**HOUSE RULES CALENDAR**  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2013

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House:

The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for this 23rd Legislative Day as enumerated below:

**DEBATE CALENDAR**

**Open Rule**

None

**Modified Open Rule**

HB 175	Covenants and warranties; certain covenants run with the land as a matter of public policy of this state; provide (Substitute)(Judy-Hightower-68th)
HB 177	Oconee River Greenway Authority; change the membership (NR&E-Wilkinson-52nd)

**Modified Structured Rule**

HB 70 Special needs students; waiver of one of the scholarship requirements under certain conditions; provide (Substitute)(Ed-Golick-40th)

**Pursuant to Rule 33.3, debate shall be limited to one hour each on HB 142 and HB 143. Time to be allocated by the Speaker.**

HB 142 Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission; change certain provisions (Substitute)(Rules-Ralston-7th)

HB 143 Campaign contributions; disclosure reports; change certain provisions (Substitute)(Rules-Ralston-7th)

**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 Bill of the House was recommitted to the Committee on Intragovernmental Coordination - Local:

HB 170. By Representatives Jones of the 47th, Lindsey of the 54th, Martin of the 49th, Riley of the 50th, Wilkinson of the 52nd and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide tax relief for Fulton County; to impose a cap on certain millage rates imposed by Fulton County; to provide for future millage rate increases; to amend an Act providing a homestead exemption from Fulton County ad valorem taxes for county purposes in the amount of \$15,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead for residents of that county, approved April 20, 1992 (Ga. L. 1992, p. 6583), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 13, 2008 (Ga. L. 2008, p. 4010), so as to increase the exemption amount to \$60,000.00 after a two-year phase-in period; to provide for applicability; to provide for a referendum, effective dates, and automatic repeal; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

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

HB 364. By Representatives Strickland of the 111th, Rutledge of the 109th, Welch of the 110th, Knight of the 130th and Yates of the 73rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of McDonough to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; 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 376. By Representative Harden of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the governing authority of the City of Hawkinsville to levy an excise tax pursuant to subsection (b) of Code Section 48-13-51 of the O.C.G.A.; to provide procedures, conditions, and limitations; 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 383. By Representatives O`Neal of the 146th, Epps of the 144th, Dickey of the 140th, Talton of the 147th and Harden of the 148th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Warner Robins in Houston County, approved March 7, 1978 (Ga. L. 1978, p. 3081), as amended, so as to revise the qualifications for candidates for mayor and council; 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 410. By Representatives Beverly of the 143rd, Randall of the 142nd, Epps of the 144th and Dickey of the 140th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act entitled "An Act to create the Macon-Bibb County Community Enhancement Authority," approved April

11, 2012 (Ga. L. 2012, p. 5270), so as to define certain terms; 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 414. By Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Buckner of the 137th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to authorize the consolidated government of Columbus, Georgia, to exercise all redevelopment and other powers under Article IX, Section II, Paragraph VII(b) of the Constitution and Chapter 44 of Title 36 of the O.C.G.A., the "Redevelopment Powers Law," as amended; to provide for a referendum; to provide effective dates; to provide for automatic repeal under certain circumstances; 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 415. By Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Buckner of the 137th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a new charter for the county-wide government of Columbus, Georgia, approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4978), as amended, so as to make certain stylistic changes to said charter; 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 416. By Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Buckner of the 137th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a new charter for the county-wide government of Columbus, Georgia, approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4978), as amended, so as change certain provisions relating to the personnel review board; 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 417. By Representatives Smyre of the 135th, Smith of the 134th, Hugley of the 136th, Buckner of the 137th and Pezold of the 133rd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing for a new charter for the county-wide government of Columbus, Georgia, approved April 5, 1993 (Ga. L. 1993, p. 4978), as amended, so as to make certain stylistic changes to said charter; 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:

Y Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Hamilton	E McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Cooper	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	E Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harrell	Y Morgan	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Hatcher	Y Morris	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	E Dickerson	Y Hawkins	E Mosby	E Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	E Henson	Y Murphy	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Hightower	Y Neal	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hill	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Nix	E Stephenson
Y Bennett	Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	E Dudgeon	Y Holmes	O'Neal	Y Strickland
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Holt	Y Pak	Y Talton
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Tankersley
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tanner
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ehrhart	Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	Y Epps, C	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, J	Y Pruett	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Y Evans	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Buckner	Y Fleming	E Jones, S	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Burns	Y Floyd	Y Jordan	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Fludd	Kaiser	Y Rice	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Frazier	Y Kelley	Y Riley	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Kendrick	Y Roberts	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Fullerton	Y Kidd	Y Rogers, C	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Gardner	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gasaway	Y Knight	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Geisinger	Y Lindsey	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Glanton	Y Lumsden	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Golick	Y Mabra	Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Gordon	Y Marin	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y Martin	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Coleman	Y Greene	Y Maxwell	Y Sheldon	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Gregory	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bills, the ayes were 156, nays 0.

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

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 83. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Hill of the 32nd, Carter of the 1st, Beach of the 21st, Tolleson of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the supervision and support of paupers, so as to provide for cremation as an alternative for deceased indigents; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

SB 100. By Senators Wilkinson of the 50th, Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th and Miller of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to reestablish the Career and Technical Education Advisory Commission; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 174. By Representative Powell of the 32nd:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend an Act providing a new charter for the City of Lavonia, approved May 13, 2002 (Ga. L. 2002, p. 5809), as amended, particularly by an Act approved May 28, 2010 (Ga. L. 2010, p. 3655), so as to change and extend the corporate limits of such city; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 223. By Representative Gasaway of the 28th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to create a board of elections and registration for Banks County and to provide for its powers and duties; to provide for the composition of the board and the selection and appointment of members; to provide for the qualification, terms, and removal of members; to provide for oaths and privileges; to provide for meetings, procedures, and vacancies; to relieve certain officers of powers and duties and to provide for the transfer of functions to the newly created board; to provide for certain expenditures of public funds; to provide for compensation of members of the board and personnel; to provide for offices and equipment; to provide for the board's performance of certain functions and duties for certain municipalities; to provide for submission under Section 5 of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 277. By Representative Greene of the 151st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to repeal an Act providing that all vehicles shall be registered and licensed to operate in Randolph County during the four-month nonstaggered registration, approved March 25, 1996 (Ga. L. 1996, p. 3624); to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

HB 294. By Representatives Caldwell of the 131st and Knight of the 130th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to provide a homestead exemption from Lamar County school district ad valorem taxes for educational purposes in the amount of \$7,000.00 of the assessed value of the homestead after a specified five-year phase-in period for residents of that school district who are 70 years of age or older; 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.

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

SB 83. By Senators Gooch of the 51st, Hill of the 32nd, Carter of the 1st, Beach of the 21st, Tolleson of the 20th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 12 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the supervision and support of paupers, so as to provide for cremation as an alternative for deceased

indigents; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

SB 100. By Senators Wilkinson of the 50th, Tippins of the 37th, Sims of the 12th and Miller of the 49th:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 14 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to education accountability assessment programs, so as to reestablish the Career and Technical Education Advisory Commission; to provide for membership, filling of vacancies, terms, officers, duties, meetings, and reimbursement of members of the commission; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

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

Representatives Epps of the 144th and Gravley of the 67th.

Pursuant to HR 222, the House commended the Pierce County High School cheerleading squad on their 2012-2013 GHSA Class AAA State Championship and invited them to be recognized by the House of Representatives.

Pursuant to HR 221, the House recognized and commended the Emanuel County Institute High School football team on their 2012 GHSA Class A State Championship and invited the team to appear before the House of Representatives.

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

HB 70. By Representatives Golick of the 40th, Coleman of the 97th, Setzler of the 35th, Lindsey of the 54th, Dudgeon of the 25th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the scholarship program for special needs students, so as to provide for the waiver of one of the scholarship requirements under certain conditions; to provide deadlines for scholarship payments to parents; to provide for related matters; 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 Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the scholarship program for special needs students, so as to provide for the waiver of one of the scholarship requirements under certain conditions; to provide for application deadlines; to provide deadlines for scholarship payments to parents; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 33 of Chapter 2 of Title 20 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the scholarship program for special needs students, is amended by revising subsection (a) of Code Section 20-2-2114, relating to qualifications for the scholarship, as follows:

"(a) A student shall qualify for a scholarship under this article if:

- (1) The student's parent currently resides within Georgia and has been a Georgia resident for at least one year;
- (2) The student has one or more of the following disabilities:
  - (A) Autism;
  - (B) Deaf/blind;
  - (C) Deaf/hard of hearing;
  - (D) Emotional and behavioral disorder;
  - (E) Intellectual disability;
  - (F) Orthopedic impairment;
  - (G) Other health impairment;
  - (H) Specific learning disability;
  - (I) Speech-language impairment;
  - (J) Traumatic brain injury; or
  - (K) Visual impairment;
- (3) The student has spent the prior school year in attendance at a Georgia public school and ~~shall have~~ has had an Individualized Education Program (IEP) written by the school in accordance with federal and state laws and regulations; provided, however, that the State Board of Education shall be authorized to require a local board of education to expedite the development of an Individualized Education Program and to waive the prior school year requirement contained in this paragraph, in its sole discretion, on a case-by-case basis for specific medical needs of the student upon the request of a parent or guardian in accordance with state board procedures. If an expedited Individualized Education Program is required by the state board pursuant to this paragraph, the state board may additionally require such expedited process to be completed prior to the beginning of the school year. The State Board of Education

shall provide an annual report by December 31 of each year through December 31, 2015, regarding the number of waivers approved pursuant to this paragraph to the General Assembly;

(4) The parent obtains acceptance for admission of the student to a participating school; and

(5) The parent submits an application for a scholarship to the department no later than the deadline established by the department; provided, however, that the department shall provide application deadline opportunities on September 15, December 15, and February 15 of each school year for a student to transfer."

### SECTION 2.

Said article is further amended by revising subsections (d) and (e) of Code Section 20-2-2116, relating to the amount of the scholarship and methods of payment, as follows:

"(d) Each local school system shall submit quarterly reports to the department on dates established by the department stating the number of scholarship students in the resident school system. Following each notification, the department shall transfer from the state allotment to each school system the amount calculated under ~~Code Section 20-2-161~~ subsection (b) of this Code section to a separate account for the scholarship program for quarterly disbursement to the parents of scholarship students. When a student enters the program, the department must receive all documentation required for the student's participation, including the participating school's and student's fee schedules, at least 30 days before the first quarterly scholarship payment is made for the student. The department may not make any retroactive payments.

(e) Upon proper documentation received by the department, the department shall make quarterly scholarship payments to the parents of scholarship students ~~on dates established by the department~~ on or before November 1, January 7, April 1, and May 1 for quarterly periods corresponding, respectively, to August 1 through September 30, October 1 through November 30, December 1 through the last day of February, and March 1 through May 31 during each academic year in which the scholarship is in force. As nearly as practical, such quarterly payments shall be equal; provided, however, that this shall not prevent payments from being adjusted due to budgetary midterm adjustments made pursuant to Code Section 20-2-162. The state auditor shall cite as an audit exception any failure by the department to meet any payment deadlines and shall include such audit exceptions on the website established pursuant to Code Section 50-6-32. The initial payment shall be made upon evidence of admission to the participating school, and subsequent payments shall be made on evidence of continued enrollment and attendance at the participating school."

### 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 Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Hamilton	E McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harrell	Y Morgan	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	E Dickerson	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	E Henson	Y Murphy	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Hightower	Y Neal	Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hill	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Strickland
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Talton
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Tankersley
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tanner
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ehrhart	Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	Y Epps, C	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, J	Y Pruett	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Y Evans	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Buckner	Y Fleming	E Jones, S	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Burns	Y Floyd	Y Jordan	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Fludd	Y Kaiser	Y Rice	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Frazier	Y Kelley	Y Riley	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Kendrick	Y Roberts	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Fullerton	Y Kidd	Y Rogers, C	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Gardner	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gasaway	Y Knight	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Channell	Y Geisinger	Y Lindsey	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Glanton	Y Lumsden	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Golick	Y Mabra	Y Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Gordon	Y Marin	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y Martin	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Maxwell	Y Sheldon	Yates
Y Cooke	Y Gregory	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 165, nays 0.

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

HB 177. By Representatives Wilkinson of the 52nd, Epps of the 144th, Kidd of the 145th, Harbin of the 122nd, Peake of the 141st and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Code Section 12-3-402 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the creation and operation of the

Oconee River Greenway Authority, so as to change the membership of the authority; 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 Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Hamilton	E McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harrell	Y Morgan	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Hatcher	Y Morris	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	E Dickerson	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	E Henson	Y Murphy	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Hightower	Y Neal	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hill	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Strickland
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Talton
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Tankersley
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tanner
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	Y Epps, C	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, J	Y Pruett	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Y Evans	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Buckner	Y Fleming	E Jones, S	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Burns	Y Floyd	Y Jordan	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fludd	Y Kaiser	Y Rice	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Frazier	Y Kelley	Y Riley	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Kendrick	Y Roberts	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Fullerton	Y Kidd	Y Rogers, C	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Gardner	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gasaway	Y Knight	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Geisinger	Y Lindsey	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Glanton	Y Lumsden	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Golick	Y Mabra	Y Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Gordon	Y Marin	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y Martin	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Maxwell	Y Sheldon	Yates
Y Cooke	Y Gregory	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, the ayes were 169, nays 0.

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

HB 175. By Representatives Hightower of the 68th, Powell of the 32nd and Fleming of the 121st:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to covenants and warranties, so as to provide that certain covenants run with the land as a matter of public policy of this state; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; 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 Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to covenants and warranties, so as to provide that certain covenants run with the land; to provide for related matters; to provide for an effective date and applicability; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 44 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to covenants and warranties, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"44-5-59.

Except as provided in Code Section 44-5-60 and excluding covenants recorded on property solely by the property's owner, which shall run with the title to the land, a covenant runs with the land when, for consideration and as reflected in a duly recorded instrument found in the applicable chain of title, a property owner and a third party agree to such covenant, the property is adequately described in such covenant, and such covenant does not run for more than 20 years."

**SECTION 2.**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2013, and shall apply to covenants recorded on or after that date.

**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 Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Hamilton	E McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harbin	Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harrell	Y Morgan	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	E Dickerson	Y Hawkins	Y Mosby	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	E Henson	Y Murphy	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Hightower	Y Neal	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hill	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	Y Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Strickland
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Talton
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Houston	Y Parrish	Y Tankersley
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tanner
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	Y Epps, C	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Epps, J	Y Jones, J	Y Pruett	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Y Evans	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Buckner	Y Fleming	E Jones, S	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Burns	Y Floyd	Y Jordan	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fludd	Y Kaiser	Y Rice	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Frazier	Y Kelley	Y Riley	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Kendrick	Y Roberts	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Fullerton	Y Kidd	Y Rogers, C	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Gardner	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gasaway	Y Knight	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Geisinger	Y Lindsey	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Glanton	Y Lumsden	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Golick	Y Mabra	Y Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Gordon	Y Marin	Y Sharper	Y Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y Martin	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Maxwell	Y Sheldon	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Gregory	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 169, nays 0.

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

The Speaker Pro Tem assumed the Chair.

HB 142. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, O'Neal of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th, Jones of the 47th, Lindsey of the 54th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the O.C.G.A., relating to ethics in government, so as to change certain provisions relating to

powers and duties of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission; to change certain provisions relating to definitions relative to public officers' conduct and lobbyist disclosure; to change certain provisions relating to lobbyist registration requirements, application for registration, supplemental registration, expiration, docket, fees, identification cards, public rosters, and exemptions; to regulate certain contact between lobbyists and members of the General Assembly and the making or acceptance of certain expenditures; 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 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to change certain provisions relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission; to change certain provisions relating to definitions relative to public officers' conduct and lobbyist disclosure; to change certain provisions relating to campaign disclosure reports; to change certain provisions relating to filing by public officers, filing by candidates for public office, filing by elected officials and members of the General Assembly, electronic filing, and transfer of filings from the Secretary of State to the commission; to change certain provisions relating to lobbyist registration requirements, application for registration, supplemental registration, expiration, docket, fees, identification cards, public rosters, and exemptions; to regulate certain contact between lobbyists and members of the General Assembly and the making or acceptance of certain expenditures; to change certain provisions relating to lobbyist disclosure reports; to amend Code Section 45-10-91 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to a method for addressing improper conduct by members of the General Assembly, so as to change certain provisions relating to filing of complaints; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, is amended in Code Section 21-5-6, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, by revising paragraph (7) of subsection (a) as follows:

"(7) To adopt in accordance with Chapter 13 of Title 50, the 'Georgia Administrative Procedure Act,' ~~such any rules and regulations as are specifically authorized in necessary and appropriate for carrying out the purposes of~~ this chapter; provided,

however, that the commission shall not require the reporting or disclosure of more information on any report than is expressly required to be reported or disclosed by this chapter, unless such information was required to be reported or disclosed by rules and regulations of the commission which were in effect as of January 1, 2013, so long as such rules and regulations do not conflict with this chapter; and"

## SECTION 2.

Said chapter is further amended in Code Section 21-5-70, relating to definitions relative to public officers' conduct and lobbyist disclosure, by revising paragraphs (1) and (5) as follows:

"(1) 'Expenditure':

(A) Means a purchase, payment, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or conveyance of money or anything of value made for the purpose of influencing the actions of any public officer, specifically including any such transaction which is made on behalf of or for the benefit of a public employee for the purpose of influencing a public officer;

(B) Includes any other form of payment when such can be reasonably construed as designed to encourage or influence a public officer;

(B.1) Includes reimbursement or payment of actual and reasonable expenses provided to a public officer for transportation, travel, lodging, registration, food, and beverages, and other activities related to attending a meeting or conference so as to permit such public officer's participation in such meeting or conference;

(C) Includes any gratuitous transfer, payment, subscription, advance, or deposit of money, services, tickets for admission to athletic, sporting, recreational, musical concert, or other entertainment events, or anything of value, unless consideration of equal or greater than face value is received;

(D) ~~Notwithstanding division (x) of subparagraph (E) of this paragraph, includes food or beverage consumed at a single meal or event by a public officer or public employee or a member of the family of such public officer or public employee~~ Includes reimbursement or payment of expenses for recreational or leisure activities; and

(E) ~~The term shall~~ Does not include: anything defined in paragraph (4.1) of this Code section as a lobbying expenditure, the provisions of subparagraphs (A) through (D) of this paragraph notwithstanding."

"(4.1) 'Lobbying expenditure' means:

~~(i) The value of personal services performed by persons who serve voluntarily without compensation from any source;~~

~~(ii) A gift received from a member of the public officer's family;~~

~~(iii) Legal compensation or expense reimbursement provided to public employees and to public officers in the performance of their duties;~~

~~(iv)~~(A) Promotional items generally distributed to the general public or to public officers and food and beverages produced in Georgia;

~~(v)~~(B) An award, plaque, certificate, memento, or similar item given in recognition of the recipient's civic, charitable, political, professional, or public service;

~~(vi)~~(C) Legitimate salary, benefits, fees, commissions, or expenses associated with a recipient's nonpublic business, employment, trade, or profession;

~~(vii)~~ (D) Food, beverages, and registration at group events to which all members of an agency, as defined in paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 21-5-30.2, are invited. ~~An~~ For purposes of this subparagraph, an agency shall also include the Georgia House of Representatives, the Georgia Senate, standing committees of such bodies and standing subcommittees of such bodies standing committees, local delegations of the House and Senate as defined by House and Senate rules, caucuses of members of the majority or minority political parties of the House or Senate, other caucuses of the House or Senate as approved by the House Committee on Ethics or the Senate Ethics Committee, and the governing body of each political subdivision of this state;

~~(viii)~~ (E) Campaign contributions or expenditures as defined by Code Section 21-5-3 and reported as required by Article 2 of this chapter;

~~(ix)~~ A commercially reasonable loan made in the ordinary course of business;

~~(x)~~ Food, beverage, or expenses afforded public officers, members of their immediate families, or others that are associated with normal and customary business or social functions or activities; or

~~(xi)~~ Transportation unless a lobbyist arranges for or participates in such transportation.

(F) Reimbursement or payment of actual and reasonable expenses provided to a public officer and his or her necessary public employee staff members for such public officer's and staff members' individual transportation other than by air, lodging, travel, and registration for attending educational, informational, charitable, or civic meetings, functions, or conferences that directly relate to the official duties of that public officer or the office of that public officer, plus food and beverages for such public officer, his or her necessary public employee staff members, and spouse while attending such educational, informational, charitable, or civic meetings, functions, or conferences; or

(G) Admission provided to members of the General Assembly to any collegiate athletic event in which a student athletic team from a branch of the University System of Georgia or private university or college accredited in the State of Georgia participates, if admission to such event is offered to all members of the General Assembly.

(5) 'Lobbyist' means, ~~subject to the qualifications at the end of this paragraph:~~

(A) Any natural person who receives compensation or provides services pro bono publico for advocating to a public officer of the executive or legislative branch of state government as specified in subparagraphs (A) through (E) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, while at the state capitol, Coverdell Legislative Office Building, or other state government facility, a position or agenda on behalf of an organization or business entity for the purpose of influencing the decision making of

such public officer, if such natural person is neither subject to nor expressly exempted by any other provision of this paragraph or subsection (i) of Code Section 21-5-71;

~~(A)~~(A.1) Any natural person who, either individually or as an employee of another person, is compensated specifically for undertaking to promote or oppose the passage of any legislation by the General Assembly, or any committee of either chamber or a joint committee thereof, or the approval or veto of legislation by the Governor;

(B) Any natural person who makes a ~~total~~ lobbying expenditure ~~of more than \$1,000.00 in a calendar year~~, not including the person's own travel, food, lodging expenses, or informational material, to promote or oppose the passage of any legislation by the General Assembly, or any committee of either chamber or a joint committee thereof, or the approval or veto of legislation by the Governor;

(C) Any natural person who as an employee of the executive branch or judicial branch of state government engages in any activity covered under subparagraph ~~(A)~~(A.1) of this paragraph;

(D) Any natural person who, either individually or as an employee of another person, is compensated specifically for undertaking to promote or oppose the passage of any ordinance or resolution by a public officer specified under subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, or any committee of such public officers, or the approval or veto of any such ordinance or resolution;

(E) Any natural person who makes a ~~total~~ lobbying expenditure ~~of more than \$1,000.00 in a calendar year~~, not including the person's own travel, food, lodging expenses, or informational material, to promote or oppose the passage of any ordinance or resolution by a public officer specified under subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, or any committee of such public officers, or the approval or veto of any such ordinance or resolution;

(F) Any natural person who as an employee of the executive branch or judicial branch of local government engages in any activity covered under subparagraph (D) of this paragraph;

(G) Any natural person who, for compensation, either individually or as an employee of another person, is hired specifically to undertake influencing a public officer or state agency in the selection of a vendor to supply any goods or services to any state agency but does not include any employee or independent contractor of the vendor solely on the basis that such employee or independent contractor participates in soliciting a bid or in preparing a written bid, written proposal, or other document relating to a potential sale to a state agency and shall not include a bona fide salesperson who sells to or contracts with a state agency for goods or services and who does not otherwise engage in activities described in subparagraphs (A) through (F) or (H) through ~~(J)~~(I) of this paragraph;

(H) Any natural person who, either individually or as an employee of another person, is compensated specifically for undertaking to promote or oppose the passage of any rule or regulation of any state agency;

(I) Any natural person who, either individually or as an employee of another person, is compensated specifically for undertaking to promote or oppose any matter before the State Transportation Board; or

(J) Any natural person who makes a ~~total~~ lobbying expenditure of ~~more than \$1,000.00 in a calendar year~~, not including the person's own travel, food, lodging expenses, or informational material, to promote or oppose any matter before the State Transportation Board.

~~The provisions of subparagraphs (A), (C), (D), (F), (G), (H), and (I) of this paragraph shall apply only where the person in question spends more than 10 percent of his or her working hours engaged in the activities described in one or more of those subparagraphs. In the case of a person who is employed by a single employer, the 10 percent test shall be applied to all time worked for that employer. In the case of a person who is employed by more than one employer or retained by more than one client, the 10 percent test shall be applied separately with respect to time spent working for each employer and each client. A person who spends less than 10 percent of his or her time working for an employer or client engaged in such activities shall not be required to register as or be subject to regulation as a lobbyist for that employer or client. In applying the 10 percent test, time spent in planning, researching, or preparing for activities described in subparagraphs (A), (C), (D), (F), (G), (H), and (I) of this paragraph shall be counted as time engaged in such activities. When registration is required, the time of registration shall be as provided in Code Section 21-5-71."~~

### SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (n) of Code Section 21-5-34, relating to campaign disclosure reports, as follows:

~~"(n) The commission shall not require the reporting of any more information in a campaign contribution disclosure report than is expressly required to be disclosed by this Code section Reserved."~~

### SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising subsection (g) of Code Section 21-5-50, relating to filing by public officers, filing by candidates for public office, filing by elected officials and members of the General Assembly, electronic filing, and transfer of filings from the Secretary of State to the commission, as follows:

~~"(g) The commission shall not require the reporting of any more information in a financial disclosure statement than is expressly required to be disclosed by this Code section Reserved."~~

### SECTION 5.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-5-71, relating to lobbyist

registration requirements, application for registration, supplemental registration, expiration, docket, fees, identification cards, public rosters, and exemptions, as follows:

"21-5-71.

(a)(1) Subject to ~~paragraphs (2) and (3)~~ paragraph (2) of this subsection and except as otherwise provided by subsection (i) of this Code section, no person shall engage in lobbying as defined by this article unless such person is registered with the commission as a lobbyist. The commission shall not allow a person who has been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude in the courts of this state or an offense that, had it occurred in this state, would constitute a felony involving moral turpitude under the laws of this state to become a registered lobbyist unless ten years or more have elapsed since the completion of the person's sentence. The administration of this article is vested in the commission.

(2) When a person is hired or retained as an employee or agent or independent contractor and under the agreement of the parties the primary duties, or a substantial part of the duties, of the person will involve lobbying activities, the person shall register as a lobbyist before commencing lobbying activities.

~~(3) When paragraph (2) does not apply there shall be a lookback period of each calendar month for determining whether the 10 percent test of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70 has been met. If at the end of any month the 10 percent test has been met during that month, the person shall register as a lobbyist within five days after the last day of that month and shall in his or her initial disclosure report include all prior lobbying expenditures in that calendar year.~~

(b) Each lobbyist shall file an application for registration with the commission. The application shall be verified by the applicant and shall contain:

(1) The applicant's name, address, and telephone number;

(2) The name, address, and telephone number of the person or agency that employs, appoints, or authorizes the applicant to lobby on its behalf;

(3) A statement of the general business or purpose of each person, firm, corporation, association, or agency the applicant represents;

(4) If the applicant represents a membership group other than an agency or corporation, the general purpose and approximate number of members of the organization;

(5) A statement signed by the person or agency employing, appointing, or authorizing the applicant to lobby on its behalf;

~~(6) If the applicant is a lobbyist within the meaning of subparagraph (G) or (H) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ attempting to influence rule making or purchasing by a state agency or agencies, the name of the state agency or agencies before which the applicant engages in lobbying;

(7) A statement disclosing each individual or entity on whose behalf the applicant is registering if such individual or entity has agreed to pay him or her an amount exceeding \$10,000.00 in a calendar year for lobbying activities; and

(8) A statement verifying that the applicant has not been convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude in the courts of this state or an offense that, had it occurred

in this state, would constitute a felony involving moral turpitude under the laws of this state or, if the applicant has been so convicted, a statement identifying such conviction, the date thereof, a copy of the person's sentence, and a statement that more than ten years have elapsed since the completion of his or her sentence.

(c) The lobbyist shall, ~~within seven days of~~ prior to any substantial or material change or addition, file a supplemental registration indicating such substantial or material change or addition to the registration prior to its expiration. Previously filed information may be incorporated by reference. Substantial or material changes or additions shall include, but are not limited to, the pertinent information concerning changes or additions to client and employment information required by paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (6), and (7) and conviction status required by paragraph (8) of subsection (b) of this Code section.

(d) Each registration under this Code section shall expire on December 31 of each year. The commission may establish renewal procedures for those applicants desiring continuous registrations. Previously filed information may be incorporated by reference.

(e) The commission shall provide a suitable public docket for registration under this Code section with appropriate indices and shall enter promptly therein the names of the lobbyists and the organizations they represent.

(f)(1) Each person registering under this Code section shall pay the registration fees set forth in paragraph (2) of this subsection; provided, however, that a person who represents any state, county, municipal, or public agency, department, commission, or authority shall be exempted from payment of such registration fees.

(2) The commission shall collect the following fees:

(A) Annual lobbyist registration or renewal filed pursuant to this Code section, <u>including a lobbyist identification card issued pursuant to this Code section</u> .....	<del>\$300.00</del> <u>\$25.00</u>
(B) Lobbyist supplemental registration filed pursuant to this Code section .....	10.00
(C) Each <del>copy</del> <u>replacement</u> of a lobbyist identification card issued pursuant to this Code section .....	20.00

(D)(i) For reports filed when the General Assembly is not in session, in addition to other penalties provided under this chapter, a late fee of \$275.00 shall be imposed for each report that is filed late. In addition, a late fee of \$1,000.00 shall be imposed on the fifteenth day after the due date for such report if the report has not been filed. A late fee of \$10,000.00 shall be imposed on the forty-fifth day after the due date for such report if the report has not been filed.

(ii) The commission shall retain \$25.00 of the first late fee received for processing pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 45-12-92.1.

(E)(i) For reports filed when the General Assembly is in session, in addition to other penalties provided under this chapter, a late fee of \$275.00 shall be imposed for each report that is filed late. In addition, a late fee of \$1,000.00 shall be imposed on the seventh day after the due date for such report if the report has not been filed. A late fee of \$10,000.00 shall be imposed on the twenty-first day after the due date for such report if the report has not been filed.

(ii) The commission shall retain \$25.00 of the first late fee received for processing pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 45-12-92.1.

(f.1) The provisions of subparagraphs (f)(2)(A), (f)(2)(B), (f)(2)(D), and (f)(2)(E) of this Code section shall not apply to any lobbyist who is acting pro bono publico and does not make lobbying expenditures. To qualify for the exemption provided by this subsection, such lobbyist at the time of his or her registration or renewal of registration shall file an affidavit with the commission on such form as prescribed by the commission, stating that during the preceding 12 months he or she has not accepted compensation for lobbying, has not been fined by the commission, and has not made any lobbying expenditure and does not have a present intention to accept compensation for lobbying or make lobbying expenditures during the calendar year for which he or she is registering or renewing registration. Prior to accepting compensation or making any lobbying expenditure during the year for which registration is issued or renewed, he or she shall be required to notify the commission of such forthcoming change of status by filing a supplemental registration under subsection (c) of this Code section, pay all applicable fees otherwise required by subsection (f) of this Code section, and be subject to the applicable reporting requirements of Code Section 21-5-73; and the affidavit shall include a statement acknowledging such requirements.

(g) As soon as practicable after registering any such person, the commission shall issue to such person an identification card which shall have printed thereon the name of the lobbyist, a color photograph of the lobbyist, and the person or agency such lobbyist represents, provided that, when any such person represents more than one entity, such identification card shall have printed thereon the name of the registered person and the word 'LOBBYIST.' Each lobbyist while engaged in lobbying at the capitol or in a government facility shall display said identification in a readily visible manner.

(h) The commission shall regularly publish in print or electronically public rosters of lobbyists along with the respective persons, firms, corporations, associations, agencies, or governmental entities they represent. During sessions of the General Assembly, the

commission shall weekly report to the Clerk of the House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Senate, and the Governor those persons who have registered as lobbyists since the convening of the General Assembly. The commission shall be authorized to charge a reasonable fee for providing copies of the roster to the public.

(i) The registration provisions of this Code section shall not apply to:

(1) Any individual who ~~expresses~~ communicates personal views, interests, or professional opinions on that individual's own behalf, to any public officer of the executive or legislative branch of state government as specified in subparagraphs (A) through (E) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3;

(1.1) Any person who is not a public officer or public employee and who engages in lobbying at the state capitol, Coverdell Legislative Office Building, or other state government facility a combined total of not more than five days in a calendar year, provided that such person is not compensated specifically for lobbying;

(1.2) An employee or independent contractor of a vendor who solely participates in soliciting a bid or in preparing a written bid, written proposal, or other document relating to a potential contract with a state or local government agency or a bona fide salesperson who sells to or contracts with a state or local government agency for goods or services, is not hired specifically to undertake influencing a public officer or state agency in the selection of a vendor to supply any goods or services to any state agency, and does not engage in other activities which would make such person a lobbyist;

(2) Any person who ~~appears before~~ is invited by a public agency or governmental entity to appear before a committee or at a hearing of such agency or entity, including but not limited to a committee of either chamber of the General Assembly or a joint committee thereof, for the purpose of giving testimony ~~when so long as~~ such person is ~~not otherwise required to comply with the registration provisions of this Code section~~ clearly identifies himself or herself and the interested party on whose behalf he or she is testifying;

(3) Any ~~public employee of an agency appearing before a governmental entity committee or hearing at the request of the governmental entity or any person who furnishes~~ is invited to furnish information upon the specific request of a public agency or governmental entity, including but not limited to a committee of either chamber of the General Assembly or a joint committee thereof, so long as such person clearly identifies himself or herself and the interested party on whose behalf he or she furnishes such information;

(3.1) Any industry, subject matter, or business expert appearing before a public agency or governmental entity committee, including but not limited to a committee of either chamber of the General Assembly or a joint committee thereof, for the purpose of giving testimony or furnishing information when accompanied by a registered lobbyist representing such industry or business or representing an association or trade group for such industry or business;

(4) Any licensed attorney when representing a client in administrative proceedings or in civil litigation or criminal proceedings or appearing on behalf of a client in any

adversarial proceeding before an agency of this state or any political subdivision of this state;

(5) Any person employed or appointed by a lobbyist registered pursuant to this Code section whose duties and activities do not include lobbying;

(6) Elected public officers or appointed public officials performing the official duties of their public office or position; and

(7) Any public employee who performs services at the direction of a member of the General Assembly including, but not limited to, drafting petitions, bills, or resolutions; attending the taking of testimony; collating facts; preparing arguments and memorials and submitting them orally or in writing to a committee or member of the General Assembly; and other services of like character intended to reach the reason of the legislators."

### SECTION 6.

Said chapter is further amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

"21-5-72.1.

(a)(1) No person who is required by the law of this state to register as a lobbyist shall meet at the state capitol, Coverdell Legislative Office Building, or other state government facility with any member of the General Assembly to discuss the promotion or opposition of the passage of any legislation by the General Assembly, or any committee of either chamber or a joint committee thereof, or the override of a veto unless such person either is wearing his or her valid official registered lobbyist badge or is a resident of the House or Senate district which such member represents.

(2) No member of the General Assembly shall with actual knowledge meet at the state capitol, Coverdell Legislative Office Building, or other state government facility with any person who is registered as a lobbyist to discuss the promotion or opposition of the passage of any legislation by the General Assembly, or any committee of either chamber or a joint committee thereof, or the override of a veto unless such person either is wearing his or her valid official registered lobbyist badge or is a resident of the House or Senate district which such member represents.

(b)(1) No person who is registered as a lobbyist under Code Section 21-5-71 shall make any expenditure.

(2) No public officer shall with actual knowledge accept any expenditure from a person who is registered as a lobbyist under Code Section 21-5-71."

### SECTION 7.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-5-73, relating to lobbyist disclosure reports, as follows:

"21-5-73.

(a) Each lobbyist registered under this article shall file disclosure reports as provided for in this Code section in the electronic format specified by the commission, except as otherwise provided by subsection (j) of this Code section.

(b) A person who is a lobbyist pursuant to ~~subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ required to register under this article and lobbies to promote or oppose the passage of any legislation by the General Assembly, or any committee of either chamber or a joint committee thereof, or the approval or veto of legislation by the Governor shall file a semimonthly disclosure report on the first and fifteenth day of each month, current through the end of the preceding report, beginning January 15 and continuing throughout the period that the General Assembly is in session.

(c) A person who is a lobbyist pursuant to ~~subparagraph (D) or (E) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ required to register under this article and lobbies to promote or oppose the passage of any ordinance or resolution by a public officer specified under subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, or any committee of such public officers, or the approval or veto of any such ordinance or resolution shall:

(1) File a disclosure report, current through the end of the preceding month, on or before the fifth day of May, September, and January of each year instead of the reports required by subsections (b) and (d) of this Code section; and

(2) File such report with the commission, file a copy of such report with the election superintendent of each county involved if the report contains any lobbying expenditures relating to county or county school district affairs, and file a copy of such report with the municipal clerk (or if there is no municipal clerk, with the chief executive officer of the municipality) of each municipality involved if the report contains any lobbying expenditures relating to municipal affairs or independent school district affairs.

(d) A person who is a lobbyist pursuant to ~~subparagraph (A), (B), (C), (F), (G), (H), (I), or (J) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ required to register under this article and:

(1) Lobbies to promote or oppose the passage of any legislation by the General Assembly, or any committee of either chamber or a joint committee thereof, or the approval or veto of legislation by the Governor;

(2) As an employee of the executive branch or judicial branch of local government, lobbies to promote or oppose the passage of any ordinance or resolution by a public officer specified under subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, or any committee of such public officers, or the approval or veto of any such ordinance or resolution;

(3) Lobbies to influence a public officer or state agency in the selection of a vendor to supply any goods or services to any state agency; or

(4) Lobbies to promote or oppose any matter before the State Transportation Board

shall file a monthly disclosure report, current through the end of the preceding period, on or before the fifth day of each month; provided, however, that such monthly reports shall not be filed during any period that the lobbyist files a semimonthly report pursuant to subsection (b) of this Code section.

(e) Reports filed by lobbyists shall be verified and shall include:

(1) A description of all lobbying expenditures, ~~as defined in~~ described in subparagraphs (D), (F), and (G) of paragraph (4.1) of Code Section 21-5-70, or the value thereof made on behalf of or for the benefit of a public officer or on behalf of or for the benefit of a public employee for the purpose of influencing a public officer by the lobbyist or employees of the lobbyist or by any person on whose behalf the lobbyist is registered if the lobbyist has actual knowledge of such lobbying expenditure. The description of each reported lobbying expenditure shall include:

(A) The name and title of the public officer or public employee or, if the lobbying expenditure is simultaneously incurred for an identifiable group of public officers or public employees the individual identification of whom would be impractical, a general description of that identifiable group;

(B) The amount, date, and description of the lobbying expenditure and a summary of all spending classified by category. Such categories shall include ~~gifts,~~ meals, ~~entertainment,~~ lodging, ~~equipment,~~ advertising, travel, and ~~postage tickets;~~

(C) ~~The provisions of Code Section 21-5-70 notwithstanding,~~ aggregate lobbying expenditures described in ~~divisions (1)(E)(vii) and (1)(E)(x) subparagraph (D) of paragraph (4.1) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ incurred during the reporting period; provided, however, expenses for travel and for food, beverage, and lodging in connection therewith afforded a public officer or public employee shall be reported in the same manner as under subparagraphs (A), (B), and (D) of this paragraph;

(D) If applicable, the number of the bill, resolution, ordinance, or regulation pending before the governmental entity in support of or opposition to which the lobbying expenditure was made; and

(E) If applicable, the rule or regulation number or description of the rule or regulation pending before the state agency in support of or opposition to which the lobbying expenditure was made;

(2) For those who are ~~lobbyists within the meaning of subparagraph (G) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ required to register under this article and lobby to influence a public officer or state agency in the selection of a vendor to supply any goods or services to any state agency, the name of any vendor or vendors for which the lobbyist undertook to influence the awarding of a contract or contracts by any state agency together with a description of the contract or contracts and the monetary amount of the contract or contracts; and

(3) For those who are ~~lobbyists within the meaning of subparagraph (H) of paragraph (5) of Code Section 21-5-70~~ required to register under this article and lobby to promote or oppose the passage of any rule or regulation of any state agency, the name of the individual or entity for which the lobbyist undertook to influence the rule or regulation of a state agency.

(f) The reports required by this article shall be in addition to any reports required under Code Section 45-1-6, relating to required reports by state vendors of gifts to public employees. Compliance with this Code section shall not excuse noncompliance with that Code section, and compliance with that Code section shall not excuse

noncompliance with this Code section, notwithstanding the fact that in some cases the same information may be required to be disclosed under both Code sections.

(g) The electronic filing of any disclosure report required by this article shall constitute an affirmation that such report is true, complete, and correct.

~~(h) The commission shall not require the reporting of any more information in a lobbyist disclosure report than is expressly required to be disclosed by this Code section~~  
Reserved.

(i) All lobbyists shall have a grace period of three business days in filing all disclosure reports.

(j)(1) Any employee of a branch, department, commission, agency, or authority of state government who is required to register under this article shall not be subject to the reporting requirements of this Code section.

(2) Any registered lobbyist who is exempt from specified fee payment requirements pursuant to subsection (f.1) of Code Section 21-5-71 shall not be subject to the reporting requirements of this Code section during the period in which such exemption from fees remains in effect."

#### **SECTION 8.**

Code Section 45-10-91 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to a method for addressing improper conduct by members of the General Assembly, is amended by revising subsection (a) as follows:

"(a) Any person may file a complaint with the clerical officer of the appropriate chamber alleging improper conduct involving a member of the General Assembly. Any employee may file a complaint with the clerical officer of the appropriate chamber alleging sexual harassment by a member of the General Assembly. The clerical officer shall designate the place where such complaints may be filed, provide instruction necessary to properly submit a complaint, and prescribe forms for such complainants. Complaints shall be submitted in writing and verified under oath to the best information, knowledge, and belief of such person. The complaint shall include a statement by the complainant as to whether or not in filing the complaint he or she is acting as an agent, paid or otherwise, for any other person. Any person who knowingly provides false information in executing a complaint under this Code section commits the offense of false swearing within the meaning of Code Section 16-10-71."

#### **SECTION 9.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1 next following the date this Act is approved by the Governor or becomes law without such approval.

#### **SECTION 10.**

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 Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Hamilton	E McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harrell	Y Morgan	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	E Dickerson	Y Hawkins	E Mosby	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Henson	Y Murphy	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Hightower	Y Neal	Y Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hill	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	E Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Strickland
Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Talton
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Tankersley
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tanner
Y Braddock	N Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	Y Epps, C	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Epps, J	Jones, J	Y Pruett	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Y Evans	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	N Turner
Y Buckner	Y Fleming	E Jones, S	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Burns	Y Floyd	Y Jordan	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fludd	Y Kaiser	Y Rice	Y Watson, B
N Caldwell, M	Y Frazier	Y Kelley	Y Riley	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Kendrick	Y Roberts	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Fullerton	Y Kidd	Y Rogers, C	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Gardner	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, T	Y Wilkerson
Y Chandler	Y Gasaway	Y Knight	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Geisinger	Y Lindsey	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Glanton	Y Lumsden	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Golick	Y Mabra	Y Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Gordon	Y Marin	Y Sharper	E Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Grayley	Y Martin	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Maxwell	Y Sheldon	Y Yates
Y Cooke	N Gregory	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 164, nays 4.

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

HB 143. By Representatives Ralston of the 7th, O'Neal of the 146th, Smyre of the 135th, Jones of the 47th, Lindsey of the 54th and others:

A BILL to be entitled an Act to amend Article 2 of Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to campaign contributions,

so as to change certain provisions relating to disclosure reports; to provide an effective date; 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 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, so as to change certain provisions relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission; to change certain provisions relating to campaign contribution disclosure reports; to change certain provisions relating to filing campaign contribution disclosure reports; to change certain provisions relating to financial disclosure filings by public officers, filings by candidates for public office, filing by elected officials and members of the General Assembly, electronic filing, and transfer of filings from the Secretary of State to the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Chapter 5 of Title 21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to ethics in government, is amended by revising paragraph (19) of subsection (b) of Code Section 21-5-6, relating to powers and duties of the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, as follows:

"(19) On a quarterly basis, to prepare, update, and publish in print or electronically a report and post such report on its website, listing the name of each filer required to file with the commission who has not filed the most recent campaign contribution disclosure report required by Code Sections 21-5-34 and 21-5-34.1, the financial disclosure statement required by Code Section 21-5-50, or the disclosure report required by Code Section 21-5-73 within 30 days of the date such report was due to be filed;"

**SECTION 2.**

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-5-34, relating to campaign contribution disclosure reports, as follows:

"21-5-34.

(a)(1)(A) The candidate or the chairperson or treasurer of each campaign committee organized to bring about the nomination or election of a candidate for any office and the chairperson or treasurer of every campaign committee designed to bring about the recall of a public officer or to oppose the recall of a public officer or designed to bring about the approval or rejection by the voters of any proposed constitutional

amendment, state-wide proposed question, or state-wide referendum shall electronically sign and file with the commission the required campaign contribution disclosure reports; provided, however, that public offices listed in subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3 shall be subject to signing and filing requirements as prescribed by paragraph (3) or (4) of this subsection, and recalls for such offices shall be subject to signing and filing requirements the same as required of candidates for such offices as prescribed by paragraph (3) or (4) of this subsection.

(B) The chairperson or treasurer of each independent committee shall file the required disclosure reports with the commission.

(2)(A) Any campaign committee which accepts contributions or makes expenditures designed to bring about the approval or rejection by the voters of any proposed question which is to appear on the ballot in this state ~~or in a county or a municipal election in this state~~ shall register with the commission and file campaign contribution disclosure reports as prescribed by this chapter or, in the case of any proposed question which is to appear on the ballot in a county or municipal election, shall register and file campaign disclosure reports with the same officials as prescribed by paragraph (3) or (4) of this subsection for candidates for county or municipal offices; provided, however, that such reports shall only be required if such campaign committee has received contributions which total more than \$500.00 or if such campaign committee has made expenditures which total more than \$500.00. All advertising pertaining to referendums shall identify the principal officer of such campaign committee by listing or stating the name and title of the principal officer.

(B) If a campaign committee is required to file a report with the commission under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, such report shall be electronically filed ~~with the commission~~. Any such report shall be filed 15 days prior to the date of the election; and a final report shall be filed prior to December 31 of the election year.

(3) A candidate for a public office listed in subparagraph (F) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3 or the chairperson or treasurer of such candidate's campaign committee shall sign and file the required disclosure reports with the election superintendent in the county of election.

(4) A candidate for a public office listed in subparagraph (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3 or the chairperson or treasurer of such candidate's campaign committee shall sign and file the required disclosure reports with the municipal clerk in the municipality of election or, if there is no clerk, with the chief executive officer of the municipality.

(b)(1) All reports shall list the following:

(A) As to any contribution of more than \$100.00, its amount and date of receipt, the election for which the contribution has been accepted and allocated, along with the name and mailing address of the contributor, and, if the contributor is an individual, that individual's occupation and the name of his or her employer. Such contributions shall include, but shall not be limited to, the purchase of tickets for

events such as dinners, luncheons, rallies, and similar fund-raising events coordinated for the purpose of raising campaign contributions for the reporting person;

(B) As to any expenditure of more than \$100.00, its amount and date of expenditure, the name and mailing address of the recipient receiving the expenditure, and, if that recipient is an individual, that individual's occupation and the name of his or her employer and the general purpose of the expenditure;

(C) When a contribution consists of a loan, advance, or other extension of credit, the report shall also contain the name of the lending institution or party making the advance or extension of credit and the names, mailing addresses, occupations, and places of employment of all persons having any liability for repayment of the loan, advance, or extension of credit; and, if any such persons shall have a fiduciary relationship to the lending institution or party making the advance or extension of credit, the report shall specify such relationship;

(D) Total contributions received and total expenditures shall be reported for an election cycle as follows:

(i) The first report of an election cycle shall list the cash on hand brought forward from the previous election cycle, if any, and the total contributions received during the period covered by the report;

(ii) Subsequent reports shall list the total contributions received during the period covered by the report and the cumulative total of contributions received during the election cycle;

(iii) The first report of an election cycle shall list the total expenditures made during the period covered by the report;

(iv) Subsequent reports shall list the total expenditures made during the period covered by the report, the cumulative total of expenditures made during the election cycle, and net balance on hand; and

(v) If a public officer seeks reelection to the same public office, or if the public officer is a member of the General Assembly seeking reelection in another district as a result of redistricting, the net balance on hand at the end of the current election cycle shall be carried forward to the first report of the applicable new election cycle;

(E) The corporate, labor union, or other affiliation of any political action committee or independent committee making a contribution of more than \$100.00;

(F) Any investment made with funds of a campaign committee, independent committee, or political action committee and held outside such committee's official depository account during each reporting period for which an investment exists or a transaction applying to an identifiable investment is made. The report shall identify the name of the entity or person with whom such investment was made, the initial and any subsequent amount of such investment if such investment was made during the reporting period, and any profit or loss from the sale of such investment occurred during such reporting period; and

(G) Total debt owed on the last day of the reporting period.

(2) Each report shall be in such form as will allow for the separate identification of a contribution or contributions which are less than \$100.00 but which become reportable due to the receipt of an additional contribution or contributions which when combined with such previously received contribution or contributions cumulatively equal or exceed \$100.00.

(c) Candidates or campaign committees which accept contributions, make expenditures designed to bring about the nomination or election of a candidate, or have filed a declaration of intention to accept campaign contributions pursuant to subsection (g) of Code Section 21-5-30 shall file campaign contribution disclosure reports in compliance with the following schedule:

(1) In each nonelection year on June 30 and December 31;

(2) In each election year:

(A) On ~~March 31~~, June 30, September 30, October 25, and December 31;

(B) Six days before any run-off primary or election in which the candidate is listed on the ballot; and

(C) During the period of time between the last report due prior to the date of any election for which the candidate is qualified and the date of such election, all contributions of \$1,000.00 or more shall be reported within two business days of receipt ~~to the commission~~ and also reported on the next succeeding regularly scheduled campaign contribution disclosure report;

(2.1) In each year, every contribution of more than \$100.00 to a member of the General Assembly or a campaign committee therefor received during the period beginning January 1 and ending with the convening of the regular session of the General Assembly shall be reported to the commission within five business days of the convening of the regular session of the General Assembly and also reported on the next succeeding regularly scheduled campaign contribution disclosure report;

(3) If the candidate is a candidate in a special primary or special primary runoff, 15 days prior to the special primary and six days prior to the special primary runoff; and

(4) If the candidate is a candidate in a special election or special election runoff, 15 days prior to the special election and six days prior to the special election runoff.

All persons or entities required to file reports shall have a five-day grace period in filing the required reports, except that the grace period shall be two days for required reports prior to run-off primaries or run-off elections, and no grace period shall apply to contributions required to be reported within two business days. Reports required to be filed within two business days of a contribution shall be reported by facsimile or electronic transmission ~~to the commission~~. Each report required in the election year shall contain cumulative totals of all contributions which have been received and all expenditures which have been made in support of the campaign in question and which are required, or previously have been required, to be reported.

(d) In the event any candidate covered by this chapter has no opposition in either a primary or a general election and receives no contribution of more than \$100.00, such candidate shall only be required to make the initial and final report as required under this chapter.

(d.1)(1) In the event a candidate for nomination or election to a public office listed in subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3 or the chairperson or treasurer of a campaign committee organized to bring about the nomination or election of such candidate signs and files with the appropriate official specified by paragraph (3) or (4) of subsection (a) of this Code section a written notice on the date of such candidate's qualifying that such candidate or campaign committee does not intend to accept during the calendar year of such qualifying a combined total of contributions exceeding \$2,500.00 for the campaign nor make a combined total of expenditures exceeding \$2,500.00 for the campaign in such calendar year, then such candidate or campaign committee shall not be required to file a report under this Code section.

(2) If such candidate or campaign committee exceeds the \$2,500.00 limit for either accepting contributions or making expenditures for such campaign during the calendar year of such qualifying as specified in paragraph (1) of this subsection but does not accept a combined total of contributions exceeding \$5,000.00 in such calendar year nor makes expenditures exceeding \$5,000.00 in such calendar year, then such candidate or campaign committee shall be required to file only the June 30 and October 25 reports required by paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of this Code section. The first such report shall include all contributions received and expenditures made beginning January 1 of such calendar year.

(3) If such candidate or campaign committee accepts a combined total of contributions exceeding \$5,000.00 or makes expenditures exceeding \$5,000.00 for such campaign during the calendar year of qualifying, then such candidate or campaign committee chairperson or treasurer shall thereupon be subject to the reporting requirements of this Code section the same as if the written notice authorized by this subsection had not been filed on the date of qualifying.

(4) For purposes of this subsection, qualifying fees shall not be included in calculating expenditures.

(e) Any person who makes contributions to, accepts contributions for, or makes expenditures on behalf of candidates, and any independent committee, shall file a registration ~~with the commission~~ in the same manner as is required of campaign committees prior to accepting or making contributions or expenditures. Such persons, other than independent committees, shall also file campaign contribution disclosure reports ~~with the commission~~ at the same times as required of the candidates they are supporting. The following persons shall be exempt from the foregoing registration and reporting requirements:

- (1) Individuals making aggregate contributions of \$25,000.00 or less directly to candidates or the candidates' campaign committees in one calendar year;
- (2) Persons other than individuals making aggregate contributions and expenditures to or on behalf of candidates of \$25,000.00 or less in one calendar year; and
- (3) Contributors who make contributions to only one candidate during one calendar year.

(f)(1) Any independent committee which accepts contributions or makes expenditures for the purpose of affecting the outcome of an election or advocates the election or defeat of any candidate shall register with the commission prior to accepting contributions or making expenditures and shall file disclosure reports ~~with the commission~~ as follows:

- (A) On the first day of each of the two calendar months preceding any such election;
- (B) Two weeks prior to the date of such election; and
- (C) Within the two-week period prior to the date of such election the independent committee shall report within two business days any contributions or expenditure of more than \$1,000.00.

The independent committee shall file a final report prior to December 31 of the election year and shall file supplemental reports on June 30 and December 31 of each year that such independent committee continues to accept contributions or make expenditures.

(2) Reports filed by independent committees shall list the following:

- (A) The amount and date of receipt, along with the name, mailing address, occupation, and employer of any person making a contribution of more than \$100.00;
- (B) The name, mailing address, occupation, and employer of any person to whom an expenditure or provision of goods or services of the value of more than \$100.00 is made and the amount, date, and general purpose thereof, including the name of the candidate or candidates, if any, on behalf of whom, or in support of or in opposition to whom, the expenditure or provision was made;
- (C) Total expenditures made as follows:
  - (i) Expenditures shall be reported for the applicable reporting year;
  - (ii) The first report of a reporting year shall list the total expenditures made during the period covered by the report; and
  - (iii) Subsequent reports shall list the total expenditures made during the period covered by the report, the cumulative total of expenditures made during the reporting year, and net balance on hand; and
- (D) The corporate, labor union, or other affiliation of any political action committee, candidate, campaign committee, or independent committee making a contribution of the value of more than \$100.00.

(3) Whenever any independent committee makes an expenditure for the purpose of financing any communication intended to affect the outcome of an election, such communication shall clearly state that it has been financed by such independent committee.

(g) Any campaign committee which accepts contributions or makes expenditures designed to bring about the recall of a public officer or to oppose the recall of a public officer shall file campaign contribution disclosure reports ~~with the commission~~ as follows:

- (1) An initial report shall be filed within 15 days after the date when the official recall petition forms were issued to the sponsors;
  - (2) A second report shall be filed 45 days after the filing of the initial report;
  - (3) A third report shall be filed within 20 days after the election superintendent certifies legal sufficiency or insufficiency of a recall petition; and
  - (4) A final report shall be filed prior to December 31 of the year in which the recall election is held or, in any case where such recall election is not held, a final report shall be filed prior to December 31 of any year in which such campaign committee accepts such contributions or makes such expenditures.
- (h) Any campaign committee which accepts contributions or makes expenditures designed to bring about the approval or rejection by the voters of a proposed constitutional amendment or a state-wide referendum shall file a campaign contribution disclosure report ~~with the commission~~ 75, 45, and 15 days prior to the date of the election and shall file a final report prior to December 31 of the election year.
- (i)(1) Any person elected to a public office who is required to file campaign contribution disclosure reports pursuant to this article shall, upon leaving public office with excess contributions, be required to file supplemental campaign contribution disclosure reports on June 30 and December 31 of each year until such contributions are expended in a campaign for elective office or used as provided in subsection (b) of Code Section 21-5-33.
  - (2) Any person who is an unsuccessful candidate in an election and who is required to file campaign contribution disclosure reports pursuant to this article shall for the remainder of the election cycle file such reports at the same times as a successful candidate and thereafter, upon having excess contributions from such campaign, be required to file a supplemental campaign contribution disclosure report no later than December 31 of each year until such contributions are expended in a campaign for elective office or used as provided in subsection (b) of Code Section 21-5-33. Any unsuccessful candidate in an election who is required to file campaign contribution disclosure reports pursuant to this article and who receives contributions following such election to retire debts incurred in such campaign for elective office shall be required to file a supplemental campaign contribution disclosure report no later than December 31 of each year until such unpaid expenditures from such campaign are satisfied.
- (j) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter to the contrary, soil and water conservation district supervisors elected pursuant to Article 2 of Chapter 6 of Title 2, the 'Soil and Water Conservation Districts Law,' shall not be required to file campaign contribution disclosure reports under this Code section.
- (k)(1) In addition to other penalties provided under this chapter, a late fee of \$125.00 shall be imposed by the person or entity with which filing is required for each report that is filed late, and notice of such late fee shall be sent to the candidate and the candidate's committee by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, and shall include the schedule of increasing late fees for late filings and the dates upon which such late fees shall be increased. In addition, a late

fee of \$250.00 shall be imposed on the fifteenth day after the due date for such report if the report has not been filed by such date; provided, however, that a 15 day extension period shall be granted on the final report. A late fee of \$1,000.00 shall be imposed on the forty-fifth day after the due date for such report if such report has not been filed. Campaign committee funds shall not be used to pay such penalty. Notice by electronic means does not satisfy the requirements of this paragraph; and any increased late fees shall be stayed until at least ten days after proper notice has been given as specified in this paragraph.

(2) The commission shall retain \$25.00 of the first late fee received by the commission for processing pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 45-12-92.1.

(l) It shall be the duty of the commission or other official when it receives for filing any disclosure report or statement or other document that may be filed by mail to maintain with the filed document a copy of the postal markings or statutory overnight delivery service markings of any envelope, package, or wrapping in which the document was delivered for filing if mailed or sent after the date such filing was due.

(m) Any person or entity which is required to be registered ~~with the commission~~ under this Code section shall file a termination statement together with its final campaign contribution disclosure report as required by this Code section. The termination statement shall identify the person responsible for maintaining campaign records as required by this chapter.

(n) ~~The~~ Neither the commission nor any other official shall ~~not~~ require the reporting of any more information in a campaign contribution disclosure report than is expressly required to be disclosed by this Code section."

### SECTION 3.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-5-34.1, relating to filing campaign contribution disclosure reports, as follows:

"21-5-34.1.

(a) Candidates, candidate committees, and public officers who are required to file campaign contribution disclosure reports with the commission shall use electronic means to file such reports with the commission using means prescribed by the commission to file such reports.

(b) The ~~electronic~~ filing of any campaign disclosure report required under this article shall constitute an affirmation that such report is true, complete, and correct.

(c) Candidates seeking election to county or municipal offices may use electronic means to file their campaign contribution disclosure reports ~~with the commission~~ if such method is made available or may file by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery.

(d) Political action committees, independent committees, and any persons otherwise required by this article to file campaign contribution disclosure reports shall use electronic means to file such reports ~~with the commission~~ upon having raised or spent \$5,000.00 in a calendar year if such method is made available, ~~and no paper copy of the~~

~~report shall be filed.~~ Under that threshold, electronic filing is permitted and encouraged if such method is made available but not required.

(e) The ~~electronic~~ filing of any campaign contribution disclosure report required under this article shall constitute an affirmation that the report is true, complete, and correct."

#### SECTION 4.

Said chapter is further amended by revising Code Section 21-5-50, relating to financial disclosure statement filings by public officers, filings by candidates for public office, filing by elected officials and members of the General Assembly, electronic filing, and transfer of filings from the Secretary of State to the Georgia Government Transparency and Campaign Finance Commission, as follows:

"21-5-50.

(a)(1) Except as modified in subsection (c) of this Code section with respect to candidates for state-wide elected public office, each public officer, as defined in subparagraphs (A) through (D), ~~(F), and (G)~~ of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, shall file with the commission not before the first day of January nor later than July 1 of each year in which such public officer holds office other than an election year a financial disclosure statement for the preceding calendar year; and each person who qualifies as a candidate for election as a public officer, as defined in subparagraphs (A) through (D), ~~(F), and (G)~~ of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, shall file with the commission, no later than the fifteenth day following the date of qualifying as a candidate, a financial disclosure statement for the preceding calendar year.

(2) Except as set forth in paragraph (3) of this subsection, a public officer, as defined in subparagraph (E) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, shall not be required to file a financial disclosure statement pursuant to this Code section. Each such public officer shall, however, be deemed to be a public official for purposes of Code Section 45-10-26 and shall be subject to the disclosure requirements set forth in Code Section 45-10-26. In addition, each such public officer shall file with the commission, prior to January 31 each year, an affidavit confirming that such public officer took no official action in the previous calendar year that had a material effect on such public officer's private financial or business interests.

(3) A public officer, as defined in subparagraph (E) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, who serves as a member of the commission shall be subject to the requirements for filing financial disclosure statements set forth in paragraph (1) of this subsection. In addition, each such public officer shall file with the commission, together with the financial disclosure statement, an affidavit confirming that such public officer took no official action in the previous calendar year that had a material effect on such public officer's private financial or business interests.

(3.1) A public officer, as defined in subparagraphs (F) and (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3, shall make filings of the same kind and in the same manner as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection for other public officers except that filings under this paragraph shall be made with the election superintendent of the county in the case of public officers as defined in said subparagraph (F) and shall be

made with the municipal clerk in the municipality of election or, if there is no clerk, with the chief executive officer of the municipality in the case of public officers as defined in said subparagraph (G).

(4) Each member of the State Transportation Board shall file a financial disclosure statement for the preceding calendar year no later than the sixtieth day following such member's election to the State Transportation Board. Thereafter, each board member shall file by January 31 of each year a financial disclosure statement for the preceding year. In addition, each board member shall file with the commission, prior to January 31 of each year, an affidavit confirming that such board member took no official action in the previous calendar year that had a material effect on such board member's private financial or business interests.

(5) The commission or the applicable official under paragraph (3.1) of this subsection shall review each financial disclosure statement to determine that such statement is in compliance with the requirements of this chapter.

(6) A public officer shall not, however, be required to file such a financial disclosure statement for the preceding calendar year in an election year if such public officer does not qualify for nomination for election to succeed himself or herself or for election to any other public office subject to this chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, a public officer shall not be deemed to hold office in a year in which the public officer holds office for fewer than 15 days.

(b) A financial disclosure statement shall be in the form specified by the commission and shall identify:

(1) Each monetary fee or honorarium which is accepted by a filer from speaking engagements, participation in seminars, discussion panels, or other activities which directly relate to the official duties of the filer or the office of the public officer, with a statement identifying the fee or honorarium accepted and the person from whom it was accepted;

(2) All fiduciary positions held by the candidate for public office or the filer, with a statement of the title of each such position, the name and address of the business entity, and the principal activity of the business entity;

(3) The name, address, and principal activity of any business entity or investment, exclusive of the names of individual stocks and bonds in mutual funds, and the office held by and the duties of the candidate for public office or filer within such business entity as of December 31 of the covered year in which such candidate or officer has a direct ownership interest which:

(A) Is more than 5 percent of the total interests in such business; or

(B) Has a net fair market value of \$5,000.00 or more;

(4)(A) Each tract of real property in which the candidate for public office or filer has a direct ownership interest as of December 31 of the covered year when that interest has a fair market value of \$5,000.00 or more. As used in this paragraph, the term 'fair market' value means the appraised value of the property for ad valorem tax purposes. The disclosure shall contain the county and state, general description of

the property, and whether the fair market value is between (i) \$5,000.00 and \$100,000.00; (ii) \$100,000.01 and \$200,000.00; or (iii) more than \$200,000.00.

(B) Each tract of real property in which the candidate for public office's spouse or filer's spouse has a direct ownership interest as of December 31 of the covered year when that interest has a fair market value of \$5,000.00 or more. The disclosure shall contain the county and state, general description of the property, and whether the fair market value is between (i) \$5,000.00 and \$100,000.00; (ii) \$100,000.01 to \$200,000.00; (iii) or more than \$200,000.00;

(5) The filer's occupation, employer, and the principal activity and address of such employer;

(6) The filer's spouse's name, occupation, employer, and the principal activity and address of such employer;

(7) If the filer has actual knowledge of such ownership interest, the name of any business or subsidiary thereof or investment, exclusive of the individual stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, as of December 31 of the covered year in which the filer's spouse or dependent children, jointly or severally, own a direct ownership interest which:

(A) Is more than 5 percent of the total interests in such business or investment, exclusive of the individual stocks and bonds in mutual funds; or

(B) Has a net fair market value of more than \$10,000.00

or in which the filer's spouse or any dependent child serves as an officer, director, equitable partner, or trustee; and

(8) All annual payments in excess of \$10,000.00 received by the filer or any business entity identified in paragraph (3) of this subsection from the state, any agency, department, commission, or authority created by the state, and authorized and exempted from disclosure under Code Section 45-10-25, and the agency, department, commission, or authority making the payments, and the general nature of the consideration rendered for the source of the payments.

(c)(1) Each person who qualifies with a political party as a candidate for party nomination to a public office elected state wide (including an incumbent public officer elected state wide qualifying to succeed himself or herself) shall file with the commission, not later than seven days after so qualifying, a financial disclosure statement. Each person who qualifies as a candidate for election to a public office elected state wide through a nomination petition or convention shall likewise file a financial disclosure statement not later than seven days after filing his or her notice of candidacy. Such financial disclosure statement shall comply with the requirements of subsections (a) and (b) of this Code section and shall in addition identify, for the preceding five calendar years:

(A) Each transaction or transactions which aggregate \$9,000.00 or more in a calendar year in which the candidate (whether for himself or herself or on behalf of any business) or any business in which such candidate or any member of his or her family has a substantial interest or is an officer of such business has transacted business with the government of the State of Georgia, the government of any

political subdivision of the State of Georgia, or any agency of any such government;  
and

(B) Each transaction or transactions which aggregate \$9,000.00 or more in a calendar year in which the candidate or any business in which such candidate or any member of his or her family has a substantial interest or is an officer of such business received any income of any nature from any person who was at the time of such receipt of income represented by a lobbyist registered with the commission pursuant to Article 4 of this chapter.

(2) The financial disclosure statement required by paragraph (1) of this subsection shall include an itemized list of the transactions required to be reported, including the date of, dollar amount of, and parties to each such transaction. However, with respect to any transactions of a privileged nature only the total amount of such transactions shall be required to be reported, and names, dates, amounts of individual transactions, and other identifying data may be omitted; and for this purpose 'transactions of a privileged nature' shall include transactions between attorney and client, transactions between psychiatrist and patient, transactions between physician and patient, and any other transactions which are by law of a similar privileged and confidential nature.

(3) The financial disclosure statement required by paragraph (1) of this subsection shall be accompanied by a financial statement of the candidate's financial affairs for the calendar year prior to the year in which the election is held and the first quarter of the calendar year in which the election is held.

(4) As used in this subsection, the term:

(A) 'Agency' means any agency, authority, department, board, bureau, commission, committee, office, or instrumentality of the State of Georgia or any political subdivision of the State of Georgia.

(B) 'Financial statement' means a statement of a candidate's financial affairs in a form substantially equivalent to the short form financial statement required for bank directors under the rules of the Department of Banking and Finance.

(C) 'Person' and 'transact business' shall have the meanings specified in Code Section 45-10-20.

(D) 'Substantial interest' means the direct or indirect ownership of 10 percent or more of the assets or stock of any business.

(5) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subsection, if, due to a special election or otherwise, a person does not qualify as a candidate for nomination or election to public office until after the filing date otherwise applicable, such person shall make the filings required by this subsection within seven days after so qualifying.

(d) All state-wide elected officials and members of the General Assembly shall file financial disclosure statements electronically with the commission. Local officials referred to in subparagraph (F) or (G) of paragraph (22) of Code Section 21-5-3 may file electronically if such method is made available or may file by certified mail or statutory overnight delivery.

(e) The ~~electronic~~ filing of any financial disclosure statement required under this article shall constitute an affirmation that the statement is true, complete, and correct.

(f)(1) In addition to other penalties provided in this chapter, a late fee of \$125.00 shall be imposed by the person or entity with which filing is required for each financial disclosure statement that is filed late, and notice of such late fee shall be sent to the board member, candidate, and the candidate's committee by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, and shall include the schedule of increasing late fees for late filings and the dates upon which such late fees shall be increased. In addition, a late fee of \$250.00 shall be imposed on the fifteenth day after the due date for such statement if such statement has not been filed. A late fee of \$1,000.00 shall be imposed on the forty-fifth day after the due date for such statement if the statement has not been filed. Campaign committee funds shall not be used to pay such penalty. Notice by electronic means shall not satisfy the requirements of this paragraph; and any increased late fees shall be stayed until at least ten days after proper notice has been given as specified in this paragraph.

(2) The commission shall retain \$25.00 of the first late fee received by the commission for processing pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 45-12-92.1.

(g) ~~The~~ Neither the commission nor any other official shall ~~not~~ require the reporting of any more information in a financial disclosure statement than is expressly required to be disclosed by this Code section."

**SECTION 5.**

This Act shall become effective on January 1 next following the date this Act is approved by the Governor or becomes law without such approval.

**SECTION 6.**

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 Abrams	Y Coomer	Y Hamilton	E McCall	Y Sims, C
Y Alexander	Y Cooper	Y Harbin	Y Meadows	Y Smith, E
Y Allison	Y Dawkins-Haigler	Y Harden	Y Mitchell	Y Smith, L
Y Anderson	Y Deffenbaugh	Y Harrell	Y Morgan	Y Smith, M
Y Atwood	Y Dempsey	Y Hatchett	Y Morris	Y Smith, R
Y Ballinger	E Dickerson	Y Hawkins	E Mosby	Y Smyre
Y Barr	Y Dickey	Y Henson	Y Murphy	Y Spencer
Y Battles	Y Dickson	Y Hightower	Y Neal	Stephens, M
E Beasley-Teague	Y Dollar	Y Hill	Y Nimmer	Y Stephens, R
Y Bell	Y Douglas	Y Hitchens	Y Nix	E Stephenson
Y Bennett	Y Drenner	Y Holcomb	Y Oliver	Y Stovall
Y Bentley	Y Dudgeon	Y Holmes	Y O'Neal	Y Strickland

Y Benton	Y Dukes	Y Holt	Y Pak	Y Talton
Y Beverly	Y Dunahoo	Y Houston	Y Parrish	Y Tankersley
Y Black	Y Duncan	Y Howard	Y Parsons	Y Tanner
Y Braddock	Y Dutton	Y Hugley	Y Peake	Y Taylor, D
Y Broadrick	Y Ehrhart	Y Jackson	Y Pezold	Y Taylor, T
Y Brockway	Y England	Y Jacobs	Y Powell, A	Y Teasley
Y Brooks	Y Epps, C	Y Jasperse	Y Powell, J	Y Thomas, A.M.
Y Bruce	Y Epps, J	Jones, J	Y Pruett	E Thomas, B
E Bryant	Y Evans	Y Jones, L	Y Quick	Y Turner
Y Buckner	Y Fleming	E Jones, S	Y Ramsey	VACANT
Y Burns	Y Floyd	Y Jordan	Y Randall	Y Waites
Y Caldwell, J	Y Fludd	Y Kaiser	Y Rice	Y Watson, B
Y Caldwell, M	Y Frazier	Y Kelley	Y Riley	Y Watson, S
Y Carson	Y Frye	Y Kendrick	Y Roberts	Y Welch
Y Carter	Y Fullerton	Y Kidd	Y Rogers, C	Y Weldon
Y Casas	Y Gardner	Y Kirby	Y Rogers, T	Y Weldon
Y Chandler	Y Gasaway	Y Knight	Y Rutledge	Y Wilkinson
Y Channell	Y Geisinger	Y Lindsey	Y Rynders	Y Willard
Y Chapman	Y Glanton	Y Lumsden	Y Scott	Y Williams, A
Y Cheokas	Y Golick	Y Mabra	Y Setzler	Y Williams, C
Y Clark, J	Y Gordon	Y Marin	Y Sharper	E Williams, E
Y Clark, V	Y Gravley	Y Martin	Y Shaw	Y Williamson
Y Coleman	Y Greene	Y Maxwell	Y Sheldon	Y Yates
Y Cooke	Y Gregory	Y Mayo	Y Sims, B	Ralston, Speaker

On the passage of the Bill, by substitute, the ayes were 167, nays 0.

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

The following Resolutions of the House were read and referred to the Committee on Rules:

HR 488. By Representatives Roberts of the 155th, Ralston of the 7th, O'Neal of the 146th and England of the 116th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Roberto Roy and inviting him to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 489. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Gainesville High School golf team on their 2012 Class AAA State Championship win and inviting them to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 490. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Gainesville High School Red Elephants football team on their 2012 Class AAAAA State Championship win and inviting them and the Gainesville High School football team coaches, cheerleading team, and administration to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 491. By Representatives Rogers of the 29th, Hawkins of the 27th, Dunahoo of the 30th and Barr of the 103rd:

A RESOLUTION commending the Gainesville High School girls golf team on their Class AAA State Championship win and inviting the players and coaches to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

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

HR 43. By Representatives Benton of the 31st and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Jefferson High School Dragons on their Class AA Football State Championship win and inviting the team and coaches to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 233. By Representatives Randall of the 142nd, Dickey of the 140th, Epps of the 144th, Beverly of the 143rd and Peake of the 141st:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 26, 2013, as Macon Day at the state capitol and inviting citizens and public officials from Macon and Bibb County to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 393. By Representatives Dickerson of the 113th, Hugley of the 136th, Stephenson of the 90th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st and Smith of the 125th:

A RESOLUTION commending Ms. Lin Seahorn and inviting her to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 394. By Representatives Dickerson of the 113th, Hugley of the 136th, Stephenson of the 90th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st and Smith of the 125th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing Montlick & Associates and inviting its team members to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 395. By Representatives Dickerson of the 113th, Hugley of the 136th, Stephenson of the 90th, Dawkins-Haigler of the 91st and Smith of the 125th:

A RESOLUTION commending Edward Earl Reed, Jr., and inviting him to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 416. By Representatives Taylor of the 79th, Riley of the 50th, Burns of the 159th, Clark of the 101st and Holcomb of the 81st:

A RESOLUTION Commending Director General Anna A. Kao for her significant contributions and inviting her to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

HR 417. By Representatives Jackson of the 128th, Williams of the 168th, Epps of the 144th and Hugley of the 136th:

A RESOLUTION commending the contributions of members of the clergy in Georgia, recognizing Monday, February 25, 2013, as the 12th annual Clergy Day at the capitol, and inviting members of the clergy to be recognized by the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

The Speaker assumed the Chair.

The following Resolutions of the House were read and adopted:

HR 492. By Representative Weldon of the 3rd:

A RESOLUTION recognizing February 26, 2013, as Children's Day at the capitol; and for other purposes.

HR 493. By Representatives Kirby of the 114th and Chandler of the 105th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Mini 1 Future Extreme Allstars Competition Cheerleading Team on winning the 2013 Cheersport National Competition Cheerleading Championship; and for other purposes.

HR 494. By Representatives Kirby of the 114th and Chandler of the 105th:

A RESOLUTION congratulating the Junior Large 2 Future Extreme Allstars on winning the 2013 Cheersport National Competition Cheerleading Championship; and for other purposes.

HR 495. By Representative Harden of the 148th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending the State YMCA of Georgia's Center for Civic Engagement; and for other purposes.

HR 496. By Representatives Clark of the 98th, Williamson of the 115th, O'Neal of the 146th, Dunahoo of the 30th, Jackson of the 128th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending James Corbett; and for other purposes.

HR 497. By Representatives England of the 116th, Kirby of the 114th and Quick of the 117th:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Akins Ford Dodge Chrysler Jeep as it joins many Georgia businesses in "going green"; and for other purposes.

HR 498. By Representatives Dollar of the 45th, Cheokas of the 138th, Pak of the 108th, Jones of the 47th, Taylor of the 79th and others:

A RESOLUTION commending Taiwan for its relations with the United States; and for other purposes.

HR 499. By Representatives Powell of the 32nd, Hitchens of the 161st, Atwood of the 179th, O'Neal of the 146th, Powell of the 171st and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Mr. John G. R. Bankhead, the GBI's Director of Public Affairs, on the occasion of his retirement and his contributions to the law enforcement profession in Georgia; and for other purposes.

HR 500. By Representatives Brooks of the 55th and Beasley-Teague of the 65th:

A RESOLUTION honoring the life and memory of Frederick Moore; and for other purposes.

HR 501. By Representatives Dollar of the 45th, Ralston of the 7th, Jones of the 47th, O`Neal of the 146th, Lindsey of the 54th and others:

A RESOLUTION recognizing and commending Chairman Sue P. Everhart for her outstanding achievements; and for other purposes.

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

Representatives Holt of the 112th and Black of the 174th.

The following communications were received:

Legislative Services Committee

Office of Legislative Counsel  
316 State Capitol  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

20 February 2013

Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Ann Purcell was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 1st Congressional District. She will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2017. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Ann Purcell  
Honorable Ron Stephens  
Honorable Mickie Stephens  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

Legislative Services Committee

Office of Legislative Counsel  
316 State Capitol  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Ann Purcell has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 1st Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2017.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Legislative Services Committee

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**CERTIFICATION OF CAUCUS ELECTION**

Pursuant to the call for a caucus under the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, a caucus was held on February 6, 2013 in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol Building. At that caucus, Honorable Ann Purcell was elected as the member of

the State Transportation Board from the 1st Congressional District to serve a term expiring April 15, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ron Stephens  
Honorable Ron Stephens  
Representative, District 164  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Mickey Stephens  
Honorable Mickey Stephens  
Representative, District 165  
SECRETARY

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20 February 2013

Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
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Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Johnny Floyd was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 2nd Congressional District. He will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2018. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Johnny Floyd  
Honorable Calvin Smyre  
Honorable Debbie Buckner  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

Legislative Services Committee

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316 State Capitol  
Atlanta, Georgia 30334

TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Johnny Floyd has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 2nd Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2018.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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CERTIFICATION OF CAUCUS ELECTION

Pursuant to the call for a caucus under the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, a caucus was held on February 6, 2013 in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol Building. At that caucus, Honorable Johnny Floyd was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 1st Congressional District to serve a term expiring April 15, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Calvin Smyre  
Honorable Calvin Smyre  
Representative, District 135  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Debbie Buckner  
Honorable Debbie Buckner  
Representative, District 137  
SECRETARY

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20 February 2013

Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Stacy Key was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 5th Congressional District. She will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2018. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Stacy Key  
Honorable Virgil Fludd  
Honorable Horacena Tate  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

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TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Stacy Key has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 5th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2018.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## CERTIFICATION OF CAUCUS ELECTION

Pursuant to the call for a caucus under the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, a caucus was held on February 7, 2013 in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol Building. At that caucus, Honorable Stacy Key was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 5th Congressional District to serve a term expiring April 15, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Virgil Fludd  
Honorable Virgil Fludd  
Representative, District 64  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Horacena Tate  
Honorable Horacena Tate  
Senator, District 38  
SECRETARY

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20 February 2013

Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Dan Moody was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 6th Congressional District. He will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2014. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Dan Moody  
Honorable Jan Jones  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

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TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Dan Moody has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 6th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2014.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David Shafer  
Honorable David Shafer  
Senator, District 48  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Jan Jones  
Honorable Jan Jones  
Representative, District 47  
SECRETARY

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20 February 2013

Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Emily Dunn was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 9th Congressional District. She will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2018. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Emily Dunn  
Honorable Regina Quick  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

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TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Emily Dunn has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 9th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2018.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## CERTIFICATION OF CAUCUS ELECTION

Pursuant to the call for a caucus under the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, a caucus was held on February 12, 2013 in the Senate Chamber of the State Capitol Building. At that caucus, Honorable Emily Dunn was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 9th Congressional District to serve a term expiring April 15, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ David Ralston  
Honorable David Ralston  
Representative, District 7  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Regina Quick  
Honorable Regina Quick  
Representative, District 117  
SECRETARY

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Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
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Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Jamie Boswell was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 10th Congressional District. He will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2018. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Jamie Boswell  
Honorable Ben Harbin  
Honorable Regina Quick  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

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TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Jamie Boswell has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 10th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2018.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## CERTIFICATION OF CAUCUS ELECTION

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Ben Harbin  
Honorable Ben Harbin  
Representative, District 122  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Regina Quick  
Honorable Regina Quick  
Representative, District 117  
SECRETARY

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Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
Atlanta, GA 30334

Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Dana Lemon was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 13th Congressional District. She will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2018. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Dana Lemon  
Honorable Alicia Thomas Morgan  
Honorable Sandra Scott  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

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TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Dana Lemon has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 13th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2018.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Alisha T. Morgan  
Honorable Alisha Thomas Morgan  
Representative, District 39  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Sandra Scott  
Honorable Sandra Scott  
Representative, District 76  
SECRETARY

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Honorable Brian P. Kemp  
Secretary of State  
214 State Capitol  
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Dear Secretary of State Kemp:

Enclosed is a certificate from the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker of the House of Representatives certifying that Honorable Roger Williams was elected as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 14th Congressional District. He will serve for a term expiring April 15, 2018. This certificate is furnished to you pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20.

With all good wishes, I am,

Respectfully,

/s/ Wayne R. Allen  
Legislative Counsel

WRA:dd  
Enclosures

cc: Honorable Nathan Deal  
Honorable Casey Cagle  
Honorable David Ralston  
Honorable David Shafer  
Honorable Roger Williams  
Honorable John Meadows  
Honorable Jeff Mullis  
Honorable Keith Golden  
Mr. Bob Ewing  
Mr. Robert E. Rivers, Jr.

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TO: HONORABLE BRIAN KEMP  
SECRETARY OF STATE

This is to certify that Honorable Roger Williams has been elected, pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. Section 32-2-20, as the member of the State Transportation Board from the 14th Congressional District for a term expiring April 15, 2018.

/s/ Casey Cagle  
HONORABLE CASEY CAGLE  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

/s/ David Ralston  
HONORABLE DAVID RALSTON  
SPEAKER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## CERTIFICATION OF CAUCUS ELECTION

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ John Meadows  
Honorable John Meadows  
Representative, District 5  
CHAIRMAN

/s/ Jeff Mullis  
Honorable Jeff Mullis  
Representative, District 53  
SECRETARY

Representative O'Neal of the 146th 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 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.